

Lincoln, NE Achieves APWA Accreditation Status

KANSAS CITY, MO. – January 18, 2019 – The City of Lincoln, Nebraska Transportation and Utilities Department has been awarded on December 6, 2018 the prestigious American Public Works Association (APWA) Accreditation designation. The APWA Accreditation program recognizes public works agencies that go beyond the requirements of the management practices established nationally in the public works industry, as contained in the APWA *Public Works Management Practices Manual*. Lincoln initially applied for Accreditation in May 2017.

The Lincoln Transportation and Utilities Department will receive the Accreditation award from APWA Region VI Director Chuck Williams at a presentation ceremony during the Council meeting on March 4, 2019 at 3p.m. The meeting will be held at the County/City Building located at 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, NE.

The Accreditation of the Lincoln Transportation and Utilities Department indicates the department has provided documentation for full compliance with all applicable management practices required for Accreditation. In a statement from Director Miki Esposito, “Delivering top-notch customer service means being tirelessly committed to self-assessment and rigorously challenging ourselves to bring greater value to our citizens. Our employees have demonstrated this commitment consistently over several years, and now that level of service has earned us recognition by the best of the best in our industry. Being the first agency in Nebraska to receive the APWA Accreditation designation is a high honor. It confirms that Lincoln residents put their trust in a high-quality organization when they put their trust in us to deliver transportation and utilities solutions that meet their evolving needs.”

The City of Lincoln, Nebraska Transportation and Utilities Department becomes the 150th agency in North America to be awarded Accreditation, and the 1st agency in the State of Nebraska.

For the City of Lincoln review, a team of public works professionals from Glenview, Illinois; Fishers, Indiana; Davenport, Iowa; and Kansas City, Missouri, completed a thorough evaluation of operations during their November 2018 site visit.

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About APWA

The American Public Works Association (www.apwa.net) is a not-for-profit, international organization of more than 29,000 members involved in the field of public works. APWA serves its members by promoting professional excellence and public awareness through education, advocacy and the exchange of knowledge. APWA is headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, has an office in Washington, D.C. and 63 chapters in North America.