# Directors Meeting

Monday, February 13th, 2023

555 S 10th Street, Luxford Studio

I. Approval of Directors Minutes from February 6th, 2023

II. City Council Agenda & City Clerk Advisories
   i. There will be no City Council meeting on February 20th to observe President's Day.
   ii. Mayor's Award of Excellence for the month of December 2022 being presented to Ronald L. Trouba Jr., Fire Captain, for the City of Lincoln Fire Department, in the Categories of Loss Prevention and Productivity.

III. Mayoral Advisories

IV. Directorial Advisories
   i. BP230207 - 1 AA Weekly Approvals City - Jennifer McDonald
   ii. BPC230208 - PC Final Action Notice - Shelli Reid
   iii. BPC230208 - 2 PC Action - Shelli Reid
   iv. Provide your input on our Local Food Plan - Wynn Hjermstad

V. Boards, Committees, and Commission Reports

VI. Constituent Correspondence
   i. The lincoln bold project - Amber Rose
   ii. RE: Nebraska Democrat Rep. Megan Hunt Belittles Vacation Bible School And Praises Drag Queen Story Hour - Melissa Martin
   iii. Stop desecration of Snell Hill! - Megan Mejstrik
   iv. Niskíthe Prayer Camp - Kelly Seacrest
   v. Street Racing and Loud Cars - Nolan Waak
   vi. Prayer camp - Karen Al-Shemmeri
   vii. Wilderness Crossing - Stephanie Bondi
   viii. Niskithe Prayer Camp - Stand Down - Sara Mann
   ix. Lincoln bold should not proceed. - Manuel Medina

VII. Adjournment

# *Memorandum*

**Date:** February 7, 2023

**To:** City Clerk

**From:** Alexis Longstreet, Planning Dept.

**Re:** Administrative Approvals

**cc:** Shelli Reid, Planning Dept.

This is a list of City administrative approvals by the Planning Director from January 31, 2023, through February 6, 2023:

**Administrative Amendment 23003,** to Special Permit #829, Sheridan Park North CUP, was approved on January 31, 2023, to add a note stating that accessory building are allowed outside the building envelopes shown at property generally located at South 33rd Street and Sheridan Boulevard.

**Administrative Amendment 22075,** to Use Permit #123E, Colby Ridge Lighting Amendment, was approved on February 2, 2023, to exceed the lighting standards at property generally located at 3228 Salt Creek Circle.

**City/County Planning Department**
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# PLANNING COMMISSION FINAL ACTION NOTIFICATION

**TO**: Mayor Leirion Gaylor Baird
Lincoln City Council

**FROM**: Shelli Reid, Planning

**DATE**: February 8, 2023

**RE:** Notice of final action by Planning Commission: February 8, 2023

Please be advised that on February 8, 2023, the Lincoln City-Lancaster County Planning Commission adopted the following resolutions:

**Resolution PC-01845,** approving SPECIAL PERMIT 2024A, to allow for an extension of the maximum height of an existing personal wireless facility by 2' from 83' to 85', on property legally described as Lot 41, I.T., located in the SW 1/4 of Section 28-10-7, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, generally located at 6000 A Street.
;
**Resolution PC-01846,** approving SPECIAL PERMIT 1498A, to allow for an expansion of the existing CUP (Community Unit Plan) by 0.99 acres, more or less, to allow for 6 additional dwelling units, with waivers to lot area, lot width, lot depth, setbacks, private roadway design standards, and storm water detention, on property legally described as the remaining portion of Lot 11, Block 1, Mar-Ma-Ra-Lo Heights, located in the NE 1/4 of Section 10-9-7, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, generally located at Pioneers Boulevard and Pagoda Lane; and

**Resolution PC-01847,** approving SPECIAL PERMIT 22046, Historic preservation special permit to allow for the rehabilitation of Epworth Church for multi-family use, with associated waivers, on property legally described as Lots 22-24, Block 2, Cooks Addition to Lincoln, located in the SW 1/4 of Section 18-10-7, Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, generally located at 2980 Holdrege Street.

The Planning Commission action on these applications is final, unless appealed to the City Council by filing a notice of appeal with the Planning Department within 14 days of the action by the Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission Resolution may be accessed on the internet at www.lincoln.ne.gov (search for "PATS"). Click on "Planning Application Tracking Service (PATS)" at the top of the page, click "Selection Screen" under "PATS Tools" on the right side of the screen, type in the application number (i.e. SP2024A, SP1498A, SP22046), click on "Search", then "Select", and go to "Related Documents".

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# **ACTION BY PLANNING COMMISSION**

**NOTICE:** **The Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 112 on the first floor of the County-City Building, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, Nebraska. For more information, call the Planning Department, (402) 441-7491.**

****PLEASE NOTE: The Planning Commission action is final action on any item with a notation of *FINAL ACTION*. Any aggrieved person may appeal Final Action of the Planning Commission to the City Council or County Board by filing a Notice of Appeal with the City Clerk or County Clerk within 14 days following the action of the Planning Commission.**

**The Planning Commission action on all other items is a recommendation to the City Council or County Board.**

**The Planning Commission will be allowing testimony on agenda items by videoconferencing until FEBRUARY 22, 2023. For those who wish to testify by video, you must register with the Planning Department Office to participate by calling 402-441-7491 or emailing Plan@lincoln.ne.gov by 10:00 a.m. the day of the meeting. You will be asked to provide your name, address, phone number and the agenda item(s) you wish to speak on, and your position on this item. On the day of the hearing, you will receive a link via email, which will be needed to join the hearing to provide your testimony.**

## AGENDA

## WEDNESDAY, February 8, 2023

## [Commissioners Campbell and Joy absent]

Approval of minutes of the regular meeting held January 25, 2023. ****APPROVED: 6-0 (Cruz abstained, Campbell and Joy absent)****

**1. CONSENT AGENDA**
**(Public Hearing and Administrative Action)**

**SPECIAL PERMITS:**

1.1 SPECIAL PERMIT 2024A, to allow for an extension of the maximum height of an existing personal wireless facility by 2' from 83' to 85', on property generally located at 6000 A Street. The Planning Commission action is final unless appealed to the City Council. ***** FINAL ACTION *****
**Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval**
**Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov**
**Planning Commission "final action": CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, as set forth in the conditions of the staff report dated January 25, 2023: 7-0 (Campbell and Joy absent) Resolution No. PC-01845.**

1.2 SPECIAL PERMIT 1498A, to allow for an expansion of the existing CUP (Community Unit Plan) by 0.99 acres, more or less, to allow for 6 additional dwelling units, with waivers to lot area, lot width, lot depth, setbacks, private roadway design standards, and storm water detention, on property generally located at Pioneers Boulevard and Pagoda Lane. The Planning Commission action is final, unless appealed to the Lincoln City Council. ***** FINAL ACTION *****
**Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval**
**Staff Planner: Brian Will, 402-441-6362, bwill@lincoln.ne.gov**
**Planning Commission "final action": CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, as set forth in the conditions of the staff report dated January 25, 2023: 7-0 (Campbell and Joy absent) Resolution No. PC-01846.**

**2. REQUESTS FOR DEFERRAL: None**

**3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: None**

**4. PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION:**

**CHANGE OF ZONE AND RELATED ITEMS:**

4.1 CHANGE OF ZONE 22040, Local Landmark designation for Epworth Church, on property generally located at 2980 Holdrege Street.
**Staff recommendation: Approval**
**Staff Planner: Stephanie Rouse, 402-441-6373, srouse@lincoln.ne.gov**
**Planning Commission recommendation: APPROVAL: 7-0 (Campbell and Joy absent). Public hearing before the City Council is tentatively scheduled for Monday, March 6, 2023, 3:00 p.m.**

4.2 SPECIAL PERMIT 22046, Historic preservation special permit to allow for the rehabilitation of Epworth Church for multi-family use, with associated waivers, on property generally located at 2980 Holdrege Street. The Planning Commission action is final, unless appealed to the Lincoln City Council. ***** FINAL ACTION *****
**Staff recommendation: Conditional Approval**
**Staff Planner: Stephanie Rouse, 402-441-6373, srouse@lincoln.ne.gov**
**Planning Commission "final action": CONDITIONAL APPROVAL, as set forth in the conditions of the staff report dated January 4, 2023: 7-0 (Campbell and Joy absent) Resolution No. PC-01847.**

**5. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION: None**

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**AT THIS TIME, ANYONE WISHING TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA, MAY DO SO.**

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**Adjournment: 1:21 p.m.**

**From:** Amber Rose
**To:** Council Packet
**Subject:** The lincoln bold project
**Date:** Friday, February 3, 2023 6:04:44 PM

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Hello,

I hope this email finds you well. My name is Amber Pendley. I live in north lincoln nebraska. I also have spent most of my working life working in downtown Lincoln. I also have many precious memories in downtown Lincoln, specifically the Haymarket area. I also used to be a regular attendee of the farmers market.

Unfortunately I now avoid the Haymarket as much as possible due to parking.

I OPPOSE this project.

Thank you for taking the time to hear me and others in our community.

Have a nice weekend.

Amber pendley
[redacted]

**From:** melissa martin
**To:** Mayor; Council Packet
**Subject:** RE: Nebraska Democrat Rep. Megan Hunt Belittles Vacation Bible School And Praises Drag Queen Story Hour
**Date:** Sunday, February 5, 2023 11:32:35 AM

[redacted]

## Op-Ed: Nebraska Democrat Rep. Megan Hunt Belittles Vacation Bible School and Praises Drag Queen Story Hour

In the hopes of stopping proposed legislation LB 371, which would ban minors from drag shows in the state, Nebraska Rep. Megan Hunt brought forward an amendment to ban minors from "religious indoctrination camp," which would include vacation Bible sc

[redacted]

**From:** Megan Mejstrik
**To:** Council Packet; Mayor
**Subject:** Stop desecration of Snell Hill!
**Date:** Monday, February 6, 2023 9:52:37 AM

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Hello all,

Please stop the destruction of Snell Hill. So many members of the community have come forward begging you to stop this project for MANY reasons. I know I don't need to regurgitate them here because you've heard them. It seems as though, however, these reasons and pleas have fallen on ignorant ears. You would rather continue the growth of this city for growth's sake rather than protect park land and preserve sacred native ceremonial land.

Your silencing of native voices by the lawsuit and now not allowing a hearing with the Board of Zoning Appeals will not be forgotten, but you can still do something to correct these shameful actions.

Mayor, your support of going forward with this project and your lawsuit against native people trying to protect their sacred land is the reason many leftists and liberals will not be voting for you this election. And if they do, they're calling you the better of evils. Do you want this to be your legacy?

Halt destruction now.

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Megan M. Mejstrik
[redacted]

**From:** Kelly Seacrest
**To:** Mayor; City Clerk; Council Packet; ebostar@leg.ne.gov
**Subject:** Niskíthe Prayer Camp
**Date:** Monday, February 6, 2023 2:07:06 PM

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I am writing to ask that you help stop the current construction at Snell Hill. The City of Lincoln has denied them access to democratic channels by refusing to have a hearing with the Board of Zoning Appeals. When sacred religious sites are destroyed, people can not practice their religion. When we don't engage in proper environmental impact studies, we risk doing long term damage to the ecosystems we all depend on. This construction will negatively impact all of Lincoln.

We need to respect and honor Indigenous land and sacred sites. We need affordable housing in Lincoln. We need more protected wilderness. This project does not serve anyone's needs but Manzitto.

-Kelly Seacrest

**From:** Nolan Waak
**To:** Council Packet
**Subject:** Street Racing and Loud Cars
**Date:** Monday, February 6, 2023 5:15:12 PM

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Hi,

After spending the weekend listening to both the street racing in the evenings and in general the number of loud cars on the roads these days, I've decided I can no longer remain quiet. To get straight to the point, I'm sick and tired of hearing this every weekend.

Every Friday and Saturday night I can hear street racing from over a mile away from my backyard. This goes on for hours and hours. Just go to O street, 84th or 70th and you'll see racing after racing. Where are the cops that my tax money is paying for? Why isn't this being stop? I'm not the first one to bring this up yet it's still happening with no plan to stop it. Why?

Also, in general, the number of loud cars on the roads these days is unbelievable. I've been to race tracks where these cars would be banned for being too loud, yet they are driving up and down our city streets. Just last night I was out at a restaurant on O street when a Ford Mustang drove by so loud that my ears still hurt. No only was this car loud, they were engine breaking and reving up while at a stop light. This car was louder than 100 dB which would ban it from many race tracks in the country, yet they were freely driving down the street. Why? I want to know why? We live in a city with laws. Why aren't these laws being enforced?

Best regards,
Nolan Waak

**From:** Karen Al-Shemmeri
**To:** Council Packet
**Subject:** Prayer camp
**Date:** Tuesday, February 7, 2023 6:11:17 AM

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City Council Members:

I am deeply disturbed at the news that Wilderness Crossing development has begun and the sacred land is being desecrated. What about the City Development Plan? Is Manzitto so powerful and important that they can override what's best for the community, the environment, and future generations? Niskithe Prayer Camp and allies have offered a compromise but it seems like the city has its head in the sand. It saddens me as I think how this current moment parallels our history of genocide that we are willing to allow one of only Inipi Sweat Lodges in the area to be rendered useless.

Please act before it's too late. We are all related and need each other, including the land.

Humby,

Karen Al-Shemmeri

**From:** Stephanie Bondi
**To:** Council Packet; Mayor
**Subject:** Wilderness Crossing
**Date:** Tuesday, February 7, 2023 6:19:09 AM

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City Council Members: I am deeply disturbed at the news that Wilderness Crossing development has begun and the sacred land is being desecrated. What about the City Development Plan? Is Manzitto so powerful and important that they can override what's best for the community, the environment, and future generations? Niskithe Prayer Camp and allies have offered a compromise but it seems like the city has its head in the sand. It saddens me as I think how this current moment parallels our history of genocide that we are willing to allow one of only Inipi Sweat Lodges in the area to be rendered useless.

Please act before it's too late. We are all related and need each other, including the land.

Humbly,
Stephanie Bondi

Have you heard about Earnest Jackson? You can help!
[redacted] and spread the word.

Stephanie Bondi
[redacted]
she/they

**From:** Sara Mann
**To:** Mayor; Council Packet
**Subject:** Niskithe Prayer Camp - Stand Down
**Date:** Wednesday, February 8, 2023 3:10:48 PM

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Members of the Lincoln City Council,

To say I'm disappointed but not surprised is an understatement. The desecration of Snell Hill after blocking Niskithe Prayer Camp from pursuing legal action is disgraceful. How dare you say you stand for Nebraksans when you are deliberately working against Nebraskans interest.

How many condos and high-cost housing needs to get approved and then stand empty for you to stop lining your pockets with the money from these developers? How dare you say you stand for inclusivity and equality by continuing to persecute Indigenous peoples for your own gain?

You're no better than people who are outright bigots. At least with outwardly bigoted people I know to avoid them. But I believed you were better than that. I believed that you wanted to rally and lend help as allies to oppressed people's.

Tell LPD and anyone else standing in the way of peaceful protest to stand down. You have no right to continue to oppress the peoples of Niskithe Prayer Camp.

Sara Mann
Lifelong Nebraskan

**From:** Manuel Medina
**To:** Council Packet
**Subject:** Lincoln bold should not proceed.
**Date:** Wednesday, February 8, 2023 9:09:23 PM

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How about a project that helps our community and small businesses? I already can't find a place to park when my wife and I want to have a date night. She already can't find a place to park for work. Bus every worker in who needs to work on this project before you let them take these spaces up for years.