Memorandum

Date: March 14, 2017
To: All Directors
From: Ed Ubben, Projects Coordinator
Subject: Urban Subcommittee Minutes

The Urban Subcommittee met on March 9, 2017 at the District office at 5:30 pm. Present at the subcommittee meeting was Mike DeKalb (Chair), Karen Amen, Bruce Johnson and Jeremie Kerkman. Others in attendance were staff; Paul Zillig, Kyle Hauschild, David Potter, Devin Biesecker and Ed Ubben. Also present was Greg Osborn. Others present were; Ben Higgins, (City of Lincoln), Justin Carmak (The Flatwater Group), Mike Eckert (Civil Design Group), Tim Gerken (Clark Enerson), Mark Henzeker (Atty.), and Bill Langdon (Apples Way).

DeKalb called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

a. Salt Creek Levee PL84-99 Agreement with the US Army Corps of Engineers – Biesecker reported there were damages from the 2015 storm to the Salt Creek Levee Project. Under seepage was present and will be repaired with sheet pile on the south site, on the north site, an abandon 18” pipe that was causing seepage will be removed. The NRD applied for assistance from the Corps and the project is eligible for assistance from PL84-99. The attached agreement is required for the Corps to make the necessary repairs, at no cost to the NRD.

It was moved by Bolte, seconded by Johnson, and unanimously approved by the subcommittee to recommend the Board of Directors approve the Cooperative Agreement with the Corps of Engineers to rehabilitate two locations on the Salt Creek Levee Project under the PL84-99 program.

b. Consider approving the Upper Wagon Train Watershed Master Plan. Zillig and Higgins stated the City and NRD have completed basin Master Plans for nearly the entire City plus the future growth areas in the three mile limit. A group of landowners in the Upper Wagon Train watershed were interested in developing their area before a Master Plan would be initiated by the City/NRD. They were given the option of preparing their own Master Plan to city standards, see attached Master Plan. The Master Plan will also go through the Planning Commission and City Council.
It was moved by Kerkman, seconded by Amen, and unanimously approved by the subcommittee to recommend the Board of Directors approve the Upper Wagon Train Master Plan and submit to the City of Lincoln for approval.

c. Consideration of the Sievers Trust Conservation Easement @ 14th & Yankee Hill Road – The Sievers Trust is interested in selling the City/NRD a conservation easement over one of their floodplain properties just NW of 14th & Yankee Hill Road. The City has completed an appraisal and negotiated an easement. The NRD has $50,000 budgeted for acquiring floodplain landrights and it is included in the City/NRD Stormwater Agreement. The NRD’s 50% share of this easement would be $63,350. Attached is a copy of the negotiated revised conservation easement.

It was moved by DeKalb, seconded by Amen, and unanimously approved by the subcommittee to recommend the Board of Directors approve the purchase of the Sievers Trust property at 14th & Yankee Hill Road and authorize reimbursement, $63,350, to the City of Lincoln with $50,000 from account 770300 – Purchase of the easement or fee title on floodplain...LRIP and $13,350 from cash reserve.

Report on a conservation easement land swap offered by Apples Way (Developer) of floodplain land near 27th & Rokeby Road.

Update on Deadmans Run Section 205 Study

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:15 pm.