

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 051094

WHEREAS, Lincoln General Hospital presently operates as an independent municipal hospital owned by the City of Lincoln which, together with Bryan Memorial Hospital and St. Elizabeth Community Health Center, serves the acute and mental health care needs of the City of Lincoln and environs; and

WHEREAS, the rapid evolutionary changes in the health care industry now make it expedient that the City reevaluate the independent status of Lincoln General Hospital and consider the competing affiliation proposals put forward by Bryan Memorial Hospital and St. Elizabeth Community Health Center; and

WHEREAS, in order to make an informed decision as to the most appropriate course of action in relation to the future of Lincoln General Hospital, it is both necessary and prudent to ascertain the community's expectations in the area of health care and test the alternate courses of action against those expectations; and

WHEREAS, in order to ascertain the community expectations in the area of health care and make an informed decision, it is first necessary to establish a forum and conduit to provide education to the community as to the nature of the choices confronting the City as regards its municipal hospital and serve as a conduit for the expression and formulation of the community's expectations in the area of Health Care.

NOW THEREFORE, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME by the Charter of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:

I hereby establish a committee to be known as the "Mayor's Advisory Committee on Hospital Affiliation Alternatives." The committee shall consist of the following twelve individuals:

Dr. John White, Chair	Mark Hesser
Ann Seacrest, Vice Chair	Kay Reed
Dr. William Griffin	Annie Scott
Roger Massey	Susan Dunn
Lloyd Hinkley	Mike Tavlin
Marshall Borchert	Linda Crump

Any vacancies in the committee shall be filled by mayoral appointment. Rachel Rezabek shall provide support services to the committee and the committee shall be authorized to call upon the following city personnel for information and assistance: Arlan Stromberg, Lincoln General Hospital Administrator; Polly McMullen, Mayor's

Office; Larry Bare, Finance Director; Bill Austin, City Attorney; Jane Ford, Health Director; and Kerry Eagan, County Administrator.

The committee shall familiarize itself and the community with the current status of Lincoln General Hospital, currently available studies and information and reports regarding health care industry trends in general and in Lincoln in particular, and the choices facing Lincoln General Hospital as an independent municipal hospital: identify community values, expectations, and priorities regarding the provision of health care in Lincoln and the position of Lincoln General Hospital in relation to those community values, expectations, and priorities; develop and articulate the community values, expectations, and priorities as so identified and, within that framework, analyze the existing alternatives proposed by Bryan Memorial Hospital and St. Elizabeth Community Health Center as to their respective strengths and weaknesses; and provide a report to the Lincoln General Hospital Board of Trustees, the Mayor, and the City Council on the identified community health care values, expectations, and priorities as identified by the committee and its analysis of the alternatives as regards Lincoln General Hospital.

In furtherance of the above-stated purpose of the committee, the committee, as it deems necessary, shall conduct public forums on these issues, obtain input from key stakeholders including, but not limited to, physicians, business organizations, elected officials, local employers, state agencies, consumers, human service providers and advocates for vulnerable, under served, or special populations and shall avail itself of the professional consultant in the area of health care selected by the Mayor. The final report of the committee shall be provided to the Lincoln General Hospital Board, the City Council, and the Mayor no later than November 15, 1996

Dated this 5th day of August, 1996. Mike Johanns, Mayor

Approved as to Form & Legality:

William F Austin, City Attorney Staff Review Completed:

Polly M McMullen, Administrative Assistant