A workshop of the City Council of the City of La Vista, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 6:00 p.m. on February 26, 2013. Present were Councilmembers: Gowan, Ronan, Sheehan, Thomas, Crawford, Quick, Hale, and Sell. Also in attendance were City Attorney McKeon, City Administrator Gunn, Assistant City Administrator Ramirez, City Clerk Buethe, Finance Director Lindberg, Police Captain Pokorny, Fire Chief Uhl, Public Works Director Soucie, Community Development Director Birch, Public Building and Grounds Director Archibald, Recreation Director Stopak, Library Director Barcal, and City Engineer Kottmann.

A notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Times on February 13, 2013. Notice was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and a copy of the acknowledgment of the receipt of notice attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated to the Mayor and City Council in the advance notice of the meeting. All proceedings shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Further, all subjects included in said proceedings were contained in the agenda for said meeting which is kept continuously current and available for public inspection at City Hall during normal business hours.

Mayor Kindig called the meeting to order and led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Kindig announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the west wall of the Council Chambers and copies were also available in the lobby of City Hall.

Mayor Kindig made an announcement regarding the agenda policy statement providing for an expanded opportunity for public comment on the agenda items.

Mayor Kindig announced they would begin Agenda Item A when speaker Dan Smith with D.A. Davidson arrived.

Dan Smith arrived at 6:11 p.m. and the discussion began.

A. DISCUSSION FINANCING OPTIONS

Dan Smith of D.A. Davidson and Mike Rodgers of Gilmore Bell introduced themselves to the Mayor and Council. Smith and Rodgers lead a discussion on financing options available to the City. Those financing options include general tools such as: Highway Allocation Fund Pledge Bonds, Facilities Corporation financing, and Off-Street Parking Bonds. Smith and Rodgers also detailed Tax Increment Financing, the LB840 Program, General Business and Occupation Taxes, the Nebraska Advantage Transformational Tourism and Redevelopment Act and Joint Public Agencies.

Councilmember Crawford made a motion to move Comments from the Floor up on the agenda ahead of Item B Executive Session. Seconded by Councilmember Sell. Councilmembers voting aye: Gowan, Ronan, Sheehan, Thomas, Crawford, Quick, Hale, and Sell. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

There were no comments from the floor.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION – CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

At 7:26 p.m. Councilmember Crawford made a motion to go into executive session for protection of the public interest for contract negotiations. Seconded by Councilmember Sell. Councilmembers voting aye: Gowan, Ronan, Sheehan, Thomas, Crawford, Quick, Hale, and Sell. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried. Mayor Kindig stated the executive session would be limited to the subject matter contained in the motion.

At 7:59 p.m. the Council came out of executive session. Councilmember Crawford made a motion to reconvene in open and public session. Seconded by Councilmember Sell. Councilmembers voting aye: Gowan, Ronan, Sheehan, Thomas, Crawford, Quick, Hale, and Sell. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.
COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

There were no comments from the Mayor and Council

At 7:59 p.m. Councilmember Sell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Hale. Councilmembers voting aye: Gowan, Ronan, Sheehan, Thomas, Crawford, Quick, Hale, and Sell. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 19TH DAY OF MARCH, 2013

CITY OF LA VISTA

Douglas Kindig, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela A. Buethe, CMC
City Clerk