# CITY OF LINCOLN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING AGENDA OCTOBER 14, 2025 CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 700 BROADWAY STREET 7:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Public Participation
- 4. Todd Henry with Workcamp Lincoln 2026 Sponsorship
- 5. Request to Permit: Lincoln Winter Wonderland Festival Friday, November 28, 2025 from 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. for the Tree Lighting Ceremony.
- 6. Request to Permit: Brew 66 Coffee Trailer Parking Spot Closure Request every Sunday in the month of October, November and December across from Ink & Imprint Books at 125 N. Kickapoo.
- 7. Advise and Consent to the Mayoral appointment of Cynthia Knutilla to the Diversity & Inclusion Commission.
- 8. Resolution Approving the Content of Certain Executive Session Meeting Minutes of the City Council of the City of Lincoln.
- 9. Lighting project at 500 508 Broadway Street City Tourism and Economic Development.
- 10. Taser Contract Extension/Renewal
- 11. Depot Event Center Lease Agreement
- 12. Announcements
- 13. Possible Executive Session
- 14. Adjournment
- **15**. City Council Meeting Monday, October 20, 2025 at 6:00 PM Committee of the Whole Meeting: Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 6:00 PM

#### THE CITY OF LINCOLN

**Date Received** 

SEP 29 2025

#### **RECEIVED** REQUEST TO PERMIT EVENT WITH STREET CLOSURE Advet Have Council Approval

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Date(s) of Event: Frylay, Nov. 28, 3035 A copy of this form must be available at the Eventl
Please describe below your request for use of City Property.
Description of Event (including participating merchants, vendors, exhibitors, and units, etc.)
Tree lighting Ceremony for The Lincoln Winter Wonderland Festival
In order to provide a safe area for attenties to walk about, we would ask to close this one black for no more than I hour while the tree lighting event happens.
Location of Event Property: (Address Utilized Space) 100 Block of Scath Kickago St.  Items occupying street space utilized:
Date(s) and time(s) for usage of Property: 11/28/25 Spm-lepm  Are licenses needed, if yes, please attach. YES NO
Street Closures and Parking Street(s) will be closed (Please attach map or sketch of all closures.)
If closed, which streets and blocks? 100 Black of South Vickapas 5+
Closed froma.m.(p.m. untila.m.(p.m.) (circle a.m. or p.m.)
If different times on different days, please specify. NA
Does this street normally have access to a permitted parking lot? Specify, NO
Certificate of Insurance Liability for event must be attached to request before approval.
Business/Organization/Sponsor Name:
Contact Name: Kalhie Dilliams Email: Small-town Creations lbagmail Ca
Address: \\\ \( \)
APPROVED: (signatures)
Police Department: All Mayor: La gayon
Street Department: Vote: Council ApprovalYeahsNays  Date:
As soon as all signatures are obtained, you will be contacted at the phone number you provided.
If your special event will be held more than once during this year with the same location and

arrangements, you may use the same application with a change in dates.

\*\*\*\*\*\*Please provide number of picnic tables if you need any.\_\_\_\_\_



may use the same application with a change in dates.

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### RECEIVED

Date Received: 10/10/25

### PARKING SPOT CLOSURE REQUEST MUST HAVE COUNCIL APPROVAL

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Description of Event (including participating merc	chants, vendors, exhibitors, and units, etc.)
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Location of Event Property: (Address Utilized Spaceltems occupying parking spaces:	ce) Parking Sort across from Ink! Import B Trailer & Pickrip truck Sundays : 2 pots? (YES   NO
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Contact Name: Kette Herror ck?	Email: Katie & brewlet . coffee
	Phone: 217-871-3216
APPROVED: (Signatures)	
Police Department:	Mayor:
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#### CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY) 08/21/2025

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

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#### RESOLUTION 2025 -

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTENT OF CERTAIN EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN

THIS RESOLU	JTION is m	ade and ado	pted	by the C	CITY CO	UNCI	L OF	TH	E <b>C</b> :	ITY OF
LINCOLN, LOGAN	COUNTY,	ILLINOIS,	at a	regular	meeting	held	in t	he C	ity	Council
Chambers in said City	on the	_ day of			, 2	.025, V	VITN	IESS	ETF	H:

WHEREAS, the CITY OF LINCOLN is a municipal corporation located in Logan County, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered it necessary, on occasion, to meet in executive session and have conducted said meetings in accordance with the requirements of the 'Open Meetings Act' (5 ILCS 102/1, et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the minutes of the Executive Sessions have been duly recorded by the City Clerk pursuant to the regulations of the Open Meetings Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2.06(a) of the Open Meetings Act, the City is required to keep a verbatim recording of their executive sessions in the form of audio or video recording; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lincoln has complied with the requirement of keeping written recordings of the Executive Session minutes along with audio or video recordings; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lincoln believes that the minutes should at this time remain confidential and not be released to the public for inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN, as follows:

- 1. That the recitals outlined above are incorporated herein as if appearing herein verbatim.
- 2. The City Council of the City of Lincoln find and hereby declare that the executive session minutes or portions thereof expressly identified are approved:

May 13, 2025 June 2, 2025 June 9, 2025 July 7, 2025 July 15, 2025 October 6, 2025

- 3. The minutes of said executive session meetings shall remain confidential at this time and not be made available to the pubic to inspect.
  - 4. That this Resolution is effective immediately upon passage of the same.

The vote on the adoption of this Resolution was as follows:						
A	Alderman Parrott		Alderwoman McClallen			
A	Alderman Anderson		Alderman Clemons			
A	Alderwoman O'Donoghue		Alderman Bateman			
A	Alderman Downs		Alderman Sanders			
Ayes:						
Nays:						
Absent:						
Abstain:						

Passed and a	approved this day of	, 2025.
		CITY OF LINCOLN,
		BY: Tracy Welch, Mayor City of Lincoln, Logan County, Illinois
ATTEST: _	City Clerk, City of Lincoln, Logan County, Illinois	(SEAL)

#### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Mayor and Council of the City of Lincoln

**FROM:** Peggy Bateman, City Clerk

**MEETING** 

**DATE:** October 14, 2025

**RE:** Lincoln's LED Lighting Project – 500-508 Broadway Street

**Background:** On March 3, 2025 the Council voted and approved Installation of LED light fixtures for City Hall, the Hamilton Street Garage, and the Wastewater Treatment Facility from a grant with Ameren Illinois. Since then, with the city purchasing 500 – 508 Broadway Street (what we know as the Heartland Bank Building) we now have the opportunity to continue the LED Lighting Project with Ameren Illinois. Assessment has been made, and the total cost of the project is \$28,340.00 with Ameren Incentives in the amount of \$21,805.00 the cost to the city for the project is \$6,535.00.

<u>City Council Recommendation</u>: To be placed on the Regular City Council Meeting for Monday, October 20, 2025 to approve the amount of \$6,535.00 for the LED Lighting Project for 500-508 Broadway.

#### LINCOLN POLICE DEPARTMENT

CHIEF OF POLICE JOSEPH MEISTER



DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE MATTHEW COMSTOCK

To: City of Lincoln Mayor, Tracy Welch & City of Lincoln Council Members

From: Chief of Police, Joseph Meister Meeting Date: October 14th, 2025

Re: Taser Contract Extension/Renewal

#### Background

The Lincoln Police Department currently utilizes Axon Taser X7 electronic control devices as a less lethal force option to increase the safety of officers, suspects and citizens when dealing with combative subjects. The Taser devices we currently possess are a part of a 5 year contract, which ends in May of 2026. The Taser devices recommended service lifespan and warranty also expires at the end of 5 years. The Axon/Taser representative that supports the Lincoln Police Department has provided a project overview and offer to extend the contract in 2026, or an early extension option.

#### Analysis/Discussion

The Taser device allows officers another option to apprehend violent and sometimes armed individuals from a greater distance, without using hand to hand techniques or resulting to deadly force options. It has become a standard issue equipment among police departments across the nation, both small and large.

Our current Axon contract provides us with 25 Taser X7 devices, extra batteries, and a dock which downloads data from Taser deployments and uploads firmware updates to the devices. It also provides data collection and reporting software, for cases when this information must be reviewed or offered as evidence. The previous 5 year annual cost for the current Taser program is \$17,250.

As with all products, things aren't getting any cheaper. If the council chooses to approve the renewal of the current Taser X7 product at the end of contract date in May 2026, our new rate will increase to \$25,251 annually (estimated 5% increase). Taser has offered a new product, which offers more versatility and new options, Taser 10, for an annual price of \$27,718.

An early extension offer has also been provided by Axon. To renew during calendar year 2025, we could lock in the annual rate of \$21,861 for a new 5 year Taser 7 contract. If we upgrade to the Taser 10 system early, the 5 year annual rate will be locked in at \$23,811.

Axon has also offered to include all cartridges, all us to keep our extra batteries, provide a live fire training suit, include 5 instructor vouchers to train our own instructors

#### LINCOLN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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(approximately \$1000 each if purchased separately) and to provide a virtual reality training system for the Taser X10 platform.

In the project summary attached, you will find more detailed information about the differences in the Taser 7 and Taser 10 systems.

#### **Fiscal Impact**

Early renewal option- Taser 7 \$21,861/annually Early renewal option- Taser 10 \$23,811/annually May 2026 renewal option- Taser 7 \$25,251/annually May 2025 renewal option- Taser 10 \$27,718/annually

#### **COW Recommendation**

Place on Council's October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Regular Agenda to approve the early renewal Taser 10 option.

Sincerely & Respectfully,

Chief of Police, Joe Meister #85 Lincoln, Illinois Police Department

# 5-YEAR TASER PROGRAM PROJECT

LINCOLN POLICE DEPARTMENT - IL

Account Executive –

Joe Koestner 480-515-6377

Axon Enterprise, Inc.

17800 North 85<sup>th</sup> Street

Scottsdale, AZ 85255

Phone: 800.978.2737



### WHY NOW?



### **5-YEAR USEFUL LIFE RECOMMENDATION**

#### WHY WE HAVE IT

AXON HAS ISSUED A 5-YEAR USEFUL LIFE RECOMMENDATION FOR ALL TASER WEAPONS. HERE'S WHY:

High voltage electronic components wear out over time and may not operate as expected

Weapons that are more than 5 years old are more likely to fail in the field

### CURRENT HARDWARE STATUS

LINCOLN PD TASER DEVICES REACH END OF RECOMMENDED LIFE MAY 2026

All of Lincoln PD's TASER 7 devices will reach end of warranty and end of recommended lifespan by May of 2026, increasing the risk of malfunction in a life-or-death situation, which is **an officer safety issue**.

Renewing early provides sufficient time to implement a new TASER program, while securing better pricing and terms (2025 prices versus 2026 prices).

# OUTLOOK FOR PURCHASING - T7 VERSUS T10 2025 SIGNATURE

	25 TASER 7's	25 TASER 10's
List Price <u>5-year</u> Totals	\$120,240.00	\$131,990.00
Discount Savings and Credits Available	\$3,750.00 (\$150 buy- back of old devices) + \$7,188.50 (credit from current contract) = \$10,938.50	\$5,750.00 (\$230 buy-back of old devices) + \$7,188.50 (credit from current contract) = \$13,438.50
Year 1a - Feb 2026	<del>\$7,188.50</del> *	\$7,188.50 *
Year 1 - Aug 15, 2025	\$21,860.30	\$23,810.30
Year 2 - Aug 15, 2026	\$21,860.30	\$23,810.30
Year 3 – Aug 15, 2027	\$21,860.30	\$23,810.30
Year 4 - Aug 15, 2028	\$21,860.30	\$23,810.30
Year 5 – Aug 15, 2029	\$21,860.30	\$23,810.30
TOTALS after savings	\$109,301.50	\$119,051.50

<sup>\*</sup>Credit amount of \$7,188.50 from paid services on current contract would be applied to Lincoln PD's account, to be used to pay Feb 2026 invoice.

# OUTLOOK FOR PURCHASING - T7 VERSUS T10 - 2026 SIGNATURE

	25 TASER 7's	25 TASER 10's
List Price <u>5-year</u> Totals - 2025	\$120,240.00	\$131,990.00
Estimated 5% increase in price 2025-2026	+ \$6,012.00	+\$6,599.50
Year 1 – May 2026	\$25,250.40	\$27,717.90
Year 2 - May 2027	\$25,250.40	\$27,717.90
Year 3 - May 2028	\$25,250.40	\$27,717.90
Year 4 – May 2029	\$25,250.40	\$27,717.90
Year 5 – May 2030	\$25,250.40	\$27,717.90
TOTALS after savings	\$126,252.00	\$138,589.50

## WHY TASER 10 - CAPABILITY COMPARISON

### (f) TASER 10

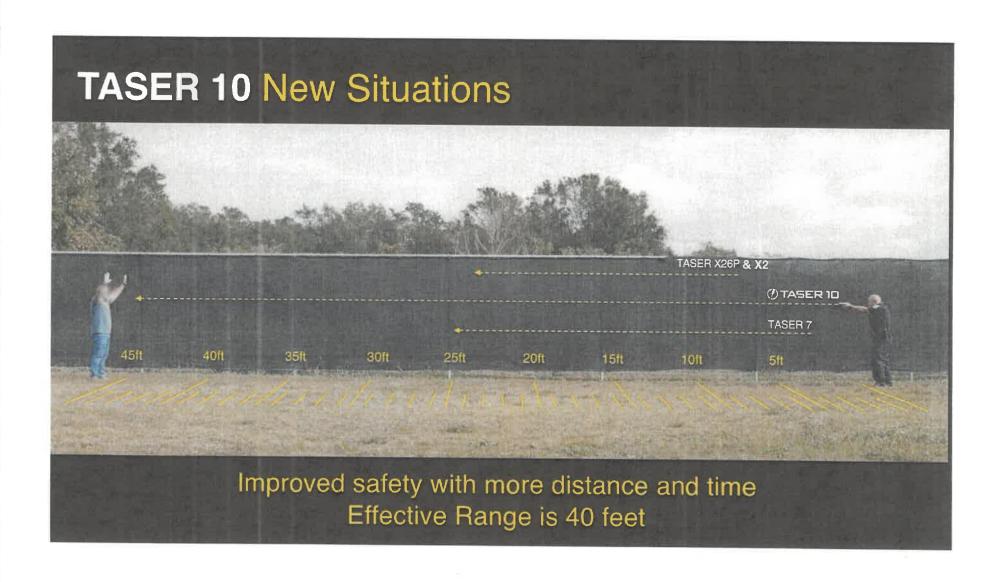
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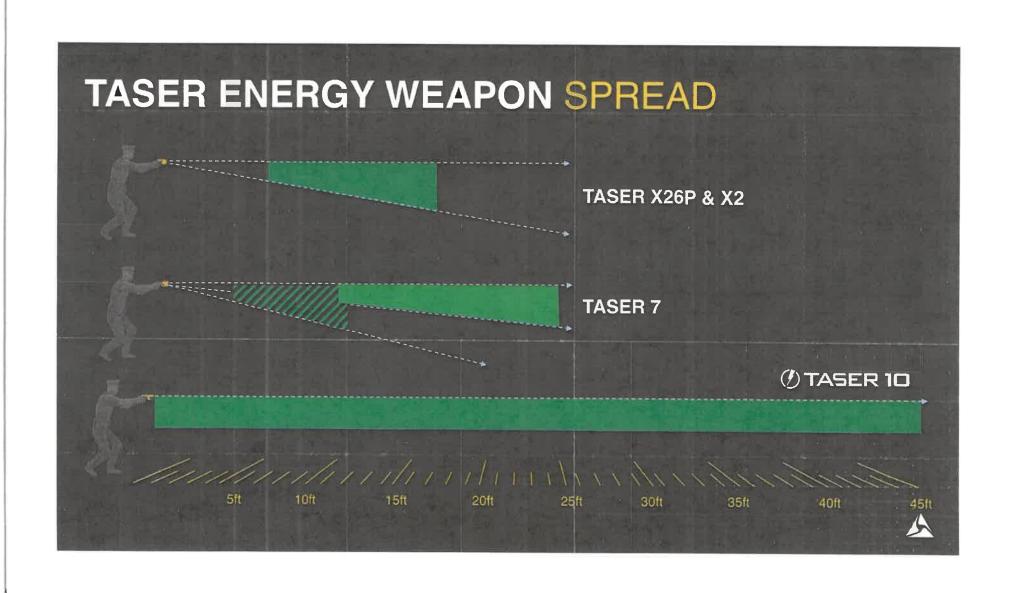
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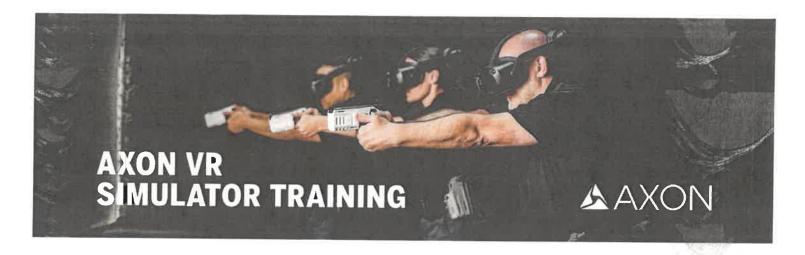
205 Feet Per Second











It takes constant training for public safety officers to perform at their best. But not all training is equal.

Traditional police training can be time-consuming, unrealistic and expensive. Axon VR represents the future of public safety training: immersive fundamental skills and de-escalation training that will ultimately make both civilians and public safety safety.

Axon VR adheres to the same rigorous principles that have underpinned Axon training programs for law enforcement over the past 30 years. Through Axon VR, public safety officers can be confident that they possess the tools to de-escalate dangerous situations and protect life.

#### WHY VR

VR allows trainees to "live" scenarios before they are encountered in the field, triggering similar stress responses and enabling trainees to build stronger muscle memory during training.

"VR learners train 4x faster and are 275% more confident."

Price Waterhouse Coopers (PWC)\*



### TRAIN FOR THE REALITY OF TODAY -AND TOMORROW

Axon VR Training prepares officers for complex real-world scenarios using immersive content that enhances performance, critical thinking and de-escalation skills. State-of-the-art VR training technology can be deployed anytime, anywhere.

Axon VR is the most efficient and cost-effective way to train on TASER energy weapons.

#### SIMULATOR TRAINING

Immerses trainees in an open-range environment to enhance proficiency with TASER energy weapons and a handgun. Through repeated practice of fundamentals and skill-based training, trainees refine techniques such as weapon transitions, target assessment, verbal commands, drawing, targeting at varying distances, and accounting for various clothing types, body positions, and movements. These exercises enhance speed, accuracy, and confidence under stress.

#### **FEATURES AND BENEFITS**

#### / TRAIN TRUE-TO-LIFE

Compatibility with TASER energy weapons and handguns enables officers to build muscle memory and train to proficiency without the need for extensive training time or live cartridge consumption.

#### END-TO-END TRAINING PLATFORM

Decentralize training with an all-in-one wireless system that can be easily deployed anytime, anywhere — no PC, complex tracking equipment, or dedicated training space required.

"Axon's new training platform allows our officers to train more efficiently, benefiting the responding officers and our community."

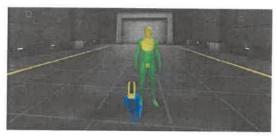
**Chief Jeri Williams**Phoenix Police Department

#### TRAINING EXERCISES



#### **/ DISTANCE**

Enhance proficiency by deploying TASER 10 at various distances. Refine accuracy in precise probe placement and spread for effective NMI.



#### / DRAW REPS

Refine draw efficiency and proficiency in recovering and re-holstering through repetitive practice of the Ready, Arm, Aim, Threat, Make Safe, and Recover drill.



#### / CLOTHING

Elevate proficiency by deploying TASER 10 at targets wearing obstructive clothing. Enhance target assessment and accuracy in precise probe placement and spread for effective NMI.



#### ALTERNATE POSITIONS

Hone proficiency by deploying TASER 10 at targets simulating unique body positions, improving probe placement accuracy and spread to achieve NMI.









#### **MOVING TARGETS**

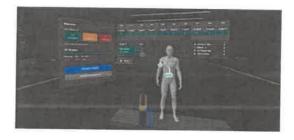
Elevate proficiency by deploying TASER 10 at moving targets simulating different speeds, body positions and directions. Improve target assessment, probe placement accuracy and spread to achieve NMI.

#### TIMED DEPLOYMENT

Refine proficiency by deploying TASER 10 while operating under time constraints. Refine deployment efficiency, probe placement accuracy and spread to achieve NMI.

#### WEAPON TRANSITIONS

Refine transitions between TASER energy weapons and handguns by responding to randomized verbal commands. Improve response times and safety protocols, reducing risk.



#### AFTER-ACTION REPORT

Trainees can assess their skills and progression by reviewing a detailed after-action report (AAR) provided at the end of each exercise.





# Depot Event Center Lease Agreement

This Lease Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into on this day of,  20, by and between the City of Lincoln, Illinois ("Lessor") and
("Lessee").
1. Venue and Purpose
The Lessor agrees to lease the premises located at 110 N. Chicago Street, Lincoln, Illinois
62656 ("Venue") to Lessee for the purpose of hosting
("Event") on the date(s) and time(s) specified below.
Date(s) of Event:
Hours of Use: From AM/PM to AM/PM
2. Rental Fee and Payment
a. <b>Hourly Fee:</b> The Lessee agrees to pay Lessor \$75 per hour, with a 2-hour minimum, for use of the Venue.
b. <b>Deposit:</b> A signed contract and \$100 non-refundable deposit must be received to reserve the Venue.
c. <b>Payment Schedule:</b> All rental fees and deposits must be paid in full no later than ten (10) business days prior to the Event.
3. Setup
The city will provide round tables and chairs to accommodate up to 96 people. Tablecloth service is not provided. The Venue may be decorated as early as the day prior, if available. There are no additional charges for set-up and decorating times.

#### 4. Insurance Requirements

The Lessee shall provide proof of **General Liability Insurance** with minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, naming the **City of Lincoln, Illinois** as an additional insured. b. A valid **Certificate of Insurance** must be submitted to the City Clerk's Office no later than ten (10) business days prior to the Event.

#### 5. Alcohol Policy

- a. No alcohol may be served unless:
  - Alcohol is served by a company holding a current liquor license in the City of Lincoln and the State of Illinois.
  - Said company maintains valid **Dram Shop (liquor liability) insurance** in accordance with Illinois law.
- b. Proof of such licenses and insurance must be provided to the Lessor at the time of contract signing.
- c. Only beer and wine are permitted.

#### 6. Compliance with Laws

The Lessee agrees to comply with all applicable **federal**, **state**, **and local laws**, including but not limited to public safety regulations, fire codes, and City of Lincoln ordinances.

#### 7. Indemnification

The City of Lincoln assumes no liability for any accidents, damages, or other claims arising out of the rental use of the facility. The Lessee agrees to **indemnify**, **defend**, **and hold harmless** the City of Lincoln, its officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, and expenses arising out of or related to the Event, except those caused by the sole negligence of the City.

The City of Lincoln shall not be responsible for stolen or lost articles or other lost items of personal property.

#### 8. Use Restrictions

- a. Lessee shall not use the Venue for unlawful purposes.
- b. Smoking is prohibited inside the Venue.
- c. Lessee shall not assign or sublet use of the Venue without prior written consent of the Lessor.

#### 9. Damages

Lessee shall be responsible for any damage to the Venue, furnishings, or equipment beyond normal wear and tear. Repair or replacement costs may be deducted from the security deposit.

#### 10. Termination

The City reserves the right to terminate this Agreement at any time for cause, including but not limited to non-compliance with this Agreement. In such case, Lessee shall forfeit any deposits or rental fees paid.

#### 11. Entire Agreement

This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between the parties and may only be amended in writing and signed by both parties.

# **Signatures** City of Lincoln, Illinois (Lessor): By: \_\_\_\_\_ Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Lessee: Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ ------ Administrative Use -----Deposit Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Deposit Amount \_\_\_\_\_ **Supporting Documentation** \_\_\_\_\_ Proof of Liability Insurance \_\_\_\_\_Liquor License (if alcohol is being served) \_\_\_\_\_ DRAM Insurance (if alcohol is being served)

#### Key/Fob Issued To:

Date Issued: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Returned: \_\_\_\_\_