October 11, 2005

RE: Lincoln Avenue Street Improvements

Dear Resident/Property Owner/Business Owner:

The City of Urbana is in the planning stages of designing improvements on Lincoln Avenue between Pennsylvania Avenue and Nevada Street. Our staff has prepared preliminary designs based upon feedback from various groups regarding pedestrian, bicycle and vehicle safety. We would like to present these plans to inform you of the proposed changes and to receive your valuable feedback. These proposed improvements will be reviewed and approved by the Urbana City Council.

In particular, these plans will include signalized intersections on Lincoln Avenue at Pennsylvania Avenue and on Lincoln Avenue at Nevada Street; restriping the current four-lane configuration on Lincoln Avenue to change the street to a three-lane configuration (one northbound lane, one southbound lane and one center two-way left-turn lane); and streetlighting improvements along Lincoln Avenue.

We have scheduled an informational meeting for **Thursday**, **October 27**, **2005** at **7:00** p.m. at **Leal Elementary School's multi-purpose room**. (Please enter the building using the doors on the west side or Birch Street side of Leal School, 312 West Oregon Street.) At this meeting, City staff will be available to present and discuss the proposed plans and to show some examples of the suggested improvements.

We look forward to seeing you at this upcoming meeting. If you are unable to attend, please feel free to contact Mr. Joe Smith or me to let us know of any concerns or questions you may have.

Sincerely,

William R. Gray, PE Public Works Director