

# **City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska**

**Tuesday, September 8, 2015**

**Regular Meeting**

## **Item Reports<sup>7</sup>**

**Council to authorize Mayor to submit a letter of support to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development for the Economic Development Certified Community Program.**

**Staff Contact: Nathan Johnson, Assistant City Manager**



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September 8, 2015

Lynn Kohout  
Nebraska Department of Economic Development  
301 Centennial Mall South  
P. O. Box 94666  
Lincoln, NE 68509-4666

Dear Ms. Kohout,

The City of Scottsbluff is currently working with Twin Cities Development as our primary economic development contact.

The City of Scottsbluff has been working with Thomas P. Miller and Associates to take a look at regional economic development and how to strengthen our efforts collaboratively.

A group of elected and appointed officials from three counties in western Nebraska have been meeting on a regular basis to identify and focus on a work plan to prioritize goals in the region.

The western Nebraska region has many opportunities for economic development including visionary leadership, a strong history of business success and a solid education system.

The City's recertification in the Economic Development Certified Community Program will help us continue to showcase our strengths and abilities and we thank you for your consideration of our application.

Sincerely,

Randy Meininger, Mayor  
City of Scottsbluff