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office in a political subdivision of the state of Nebraska we would ask that person to be a resident of the state of Nebraska. It does give you some ties, if you will, to the state; subjects you to jurisdiction if that is necessary. I can think of a couple of other reasons for doing that. The other question that I would have in that regard is whether it is appropriate to have a representative for a federal agency again exercising powers or authority in a fashion that makes them...and I realize they're only part of the body, but acting as part of a body to exercise powers and authority that we would normally feel were assigned to a political subdivision of the state of Nebraska. If there are other instances in which we allow representative of federal agencies to, in effect, act as part of the directive force for local governmental subdivisions I can't think of one. And, again, if this is something that's required, Senator Beutler, I don't have that objection. It just seems a bit odd to me for the reasons that I hope I'm making clear in this discussion. There was...there was one other...I think this is, frankly, an omission. It appears on page 3 on line 26. It says that council members can...present at any meeting...except that any vote to reject, and this is reject, any zoning regulation or variance shall be by two-thirds vote. I'm wondering why that isn't both reject or adopt. Can they adopt a zoning regulation or variance with less than a two-thirds vote? And why would they be authorized to reject a regulation with less than would be required to adopt? That seems a bit odd to me. And the other provision, and this is always a sensitive issue, and I realize it doesn't involve the power of condemnation. But on page 4, on line 25, the council is given authority to purchase real estate and I'm curious if anyone can envision circumstances under which the council would wish to purchase real estate. My understanding was that the council was to be put in place so that we could avoid having private property converted to some sort of a public use, either voluntarily or now I take it...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: ...well, involuntarily, we certainly didn't want that, but now I take it that there would be some...presumably a voluntary process in which the council could acquire property. What would they acquire it for? What...where would they get the funding to acquire it? A number of other