



ORDINANCE NO. 21802

1 AN ORDINANCE amending Title 9 of the Lincoln Municipal Code relating to Public
2 Peace and Welfare to create a new chapter 9.70 entitled "Crypto Currency" to provide guidelines
3 for cryptocurrency ATMs and Bitcoin ATMs and penalties for violating the same.

4 BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska:

5 Section 1. That Title 9 of the Lincoln Municipal Code be amended by adding a new
6 section numbered 9.70.010 to read as follows:

7 **9.70.010 Definitions.**

8 The following words as used in this chapter shall have the following meanings:

9 Cryptocurrency shall mean a virtual currency that utilizes cryptography to secure transactions that are
10 digitally recorded on a cryptographically secured, distributed ledger or blockchain.

11 Crypto ATM or Bitcoin ATM shall mean a stand-alone electronic kiosk that allows users to buy and sell
12 cryptocurrency in exchange for cash or with a debit card.

13 Blockchain shall mean a decentralized ledger that stores information across a network of computers or
14 nodes in blocks that are verified and validated to ensure legitimate and accurate transactions.

15 Section 2. That Title 9 of the Lincoln Municipal Code be amended by adding a new
16 section numbered 9.70.020 to read as follows:

17 **9.70.020 Cryptocurrency Automated Teller Warning Notice.**

18 1. Any person or business operating, or providing access to, a functioning crypto ATM or Bitcoin ATM
19 on its premises shall post a written warning in the form of a sign provided by law enforcement and
20 within readable sight of the crypto ATM or Bitcoin ATM providing notice to customers and users of
21 the potential fraud or scam risks associated with utilizing the crypto ATM or Bitcoin ATM.

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1 2. Any person or business upon whom a duty is placed by the provisions of this chapter who shall fail or
2 neglect or refuse to perform such duty shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction
3 thereof shall be punished by a fine of \$500.00, recoverable with costs.

4 3. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense and shall be
5 punished as such.

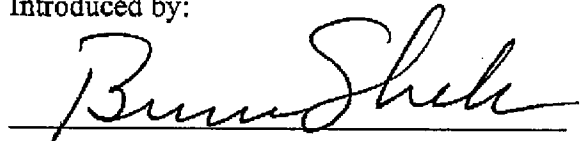
6 Section 3. That Sections 1 and 2 of this Ordinance shall be codified in the Lincoln
7 Municipal Code as Chapter 9.70 entitled Crypto Currency.

8 Section 4. That Chapter 9.70 shall go into force and effect ~~on January 16, 2026.~~ **30 DAYS FROM MAYOR'S SIGNATURE**

9 Section 5. This ordinance shall be published, within fifteen days after the passage
10 hereof, in one issue of a daily or weekly newspaper of general circulation in the City, or posted on
11 the official bulletin board of the City, located on the wall across from the City Clerk's office at
12 555 S. 10th Street, in lieu and in place of the foregoing newspaper publication with notice of
13 passage and such posting to be given by publication one time in the official newspaper by the City
14 Clerk. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication
15 or after its posting and notice of such posting given by publication as herein and in the City Charter
16 provided.

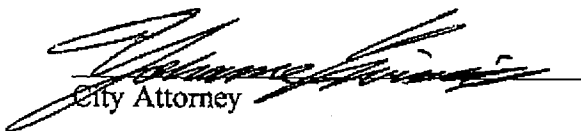
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Proceedings on next page.


Introduced by:



AYES: Beckius, Bowers, Duden, Shobe,
Washington, Weber; NAYS: None; ABSENT:
Carlson.

Approved as to Form & Legality:


City Attorney

Approved this 24th day of Nov, 2025:

Mayor

PASSED
NOV 17 2025
BY CITY COUNCIL

25-107

11/17/25 Council Proceedings:

DUDEN Moved Motion to Amend No. 1 to amend Bill No. 25-107 introduced on October 27, 2025, as follows:

1. On page 2, line 8, strike Section 4 as follows:

~~Section 4. That Chapter 9.70 shall go into force and effect on January 16, 2026.~~

DUDEN Verbal motion to make effective date to 30 days from Mayor signature.

Seconded by Washington & carried by the following vote: AYES: Beckius, Bowers, Duden, Shobe, Washington, Weber; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Carlson.

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MOTION TO AMEND NO. 1

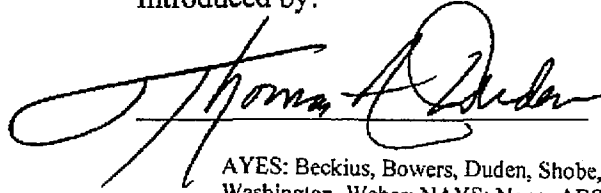
I hereby move to amend Bill No. 25-107 introduced on October 27, 2025, as follows:

1. On page 2, line 8, strike Section 4 as follows:

~~Section 4. That Chapter 9.70 shall go into force and effect on January 16, 2026.~~

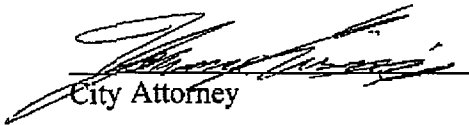
Section 4. That Chapter 9.70 shall go into force and effect 30 days from Mayor's Signature.

Introduced by:



AYES: Beckius, Bowers, Duden, Shobe,
Washington, Weber; NAYS: None; ABSENT:
Carlson.

Approved as to Form & Legality:



City Attorney

Requested by: Councilman Tom Duden

Reason for Request: To remove the delayed effective date.

ADOPTED

NOV 17 2025

BY CITY COUNCIL

AMENDED 11/17/26

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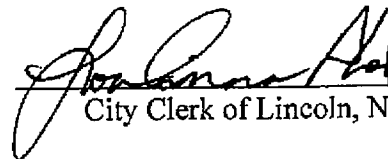
Read First Time	<u>October 27, 2025</u>
Read Second Time	<u>November 3, 2025</u>
Read Third Time	<u>November 17, 2025</u>
Passed	<u>November 17, 2025</u>
Published in	<u>Lincoln Journal Star</u>
on	<u>November 28, 2025</u>

CERTIFICATE

State of Nebraska)
) ss
County of Lancaster)

I, the undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska, do hereby certify that the within ordinance is the original Ordinance No. 21802 as passed by the City Council of said City, as indicated above, and as approved by the Mayor of said City and as the same appears of record in my office and is now in my charge remaining as City Clerk aforesaid.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand officially and affixed the seal of the City of Lincoln, Nebraska this 19th day of November, 2025.



City Clerk of Lincoln, Ne







If someone told you to put money in this machine, whether they claim to be a loved one, partner, government, bank, or business, **you may be getting scammed.**

Scammers use **fear, secrecy, and urgency** to trick you into sending cryptocurrency.

**Hang up, walk away and call the
Lincoln Police Department at 402-441-6000**



