



Memorandum

To: Mayor Biss and Members of the City Council
From: Luke Stowe, City Manager
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update
Date: April 10, 2026

STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT

Weekly Report for April 6, 2026 – April 10, 2026

City Manager's Office

Weekly Federal Activity Update
Weekly Bids Advertised

Community Development

Weekly Zoning Report
Weekly Field Inspection Report
Monthly CV/Permit Fee Report

Health Department

Weekly Health Department Report

Law Department

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Clerk's Office

No Report

Legislative Reading

NWMC Weekly Report

**STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL &
MAYORAL APPOINTED BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES**

Monday, April 13, 2026

5:00 PM: [Administration & Public Works Committee](#)

5:30 PM: [City Council](#)

Tuesday, April 14, 2026

7:00 PM: [Preservation Commission](#)

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

8:30 AM: [Healthy Building Technical Committee](#)

5:30 PM: [City School Liaison Committee](#)

Thursday, April 16, 2026

6:00 PM: [Equity and Empowerment Committee](#)

6:00 PM: [Parks and Recreation Committee](#)

Friday, April 17, 2026

7:15 AM: [Utilities Commission](#)

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To: Luke Stowe, City Manager
From: Commander Chelsea Brown, Executive Officer
Subject: Weekly Federal Activity Update
Date: April 10, 2026

There were no federal immigration enforcement operations reported this week.



Memorandum

To: Luke Stowe, City Manager

From: Hitesh Desai, CFO/ City Treasurer
Tammi Nunez, Purchasing Manager

Subject: Bids/RFPs/RFQs Advertised during the Week of April 6, 2026

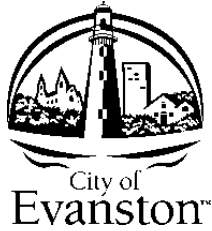
Date: April 10, 2026

The following is a list of advertised projects, and the anticipated date each will be presented to the Council or Library Board.

Bids/RFPs/RFQs sent during the Week of April 6, 2026

Bid/RFP/RFQ Name	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budget Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/Library Board Date
CDBG Sidewalk Improvements and Gap Infills	PW	Work on this project includes all labor, equipment, and materials for sidewalk improvements, including installation of new sidewalk and removal and replacement of existing sidewalk. Bidders must be prequalified by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and present an IDOT issued "Certificate of Eligibility" with the bid proposal.	\$600,000.00	05/05	05/26
*2026 CIPP Sewer Rehabilitation Contract B	PW	Work on this project includes rehabilitation of approximately 7,250 feet of combined sewer main 9-inch to 30-inch in diameter using cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) lining, the material removal and cleaning of a sewer siphon, and closed circuit television (CCTV) inspection and Pipeline Assessment and Certification Program (PACP) condition assessment of approximately 5,000 feet of combined sewer main 8-inch to 21-inch in diameter.	\$6,280,000.00	05/12	05/26

*Not Advertised. Sent to Pre-qualified Contractors only (RFQ 25-47 Cured-In-Place Pipe Sewer Rehabilitation).



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Liz Williams, Planning & Zoning Manager
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report
Date: 04/10/2026

Enclosed is the weekly report of zoning applications received and pending. The report, organized by ward, includes the property address, zoning district, the type of application submitted, a description of the project, date received, and current status.

Please contact me at (224) 296-4489 or ewilliams@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Cases Received and Pending, April 2, 2026 to April 8, 2026

Zoning Reviews (Larger Projects and Permits)

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project or Permit Description	Received	Status
1	1632 Sheridan Road	R1	Zoning Analysis	New Garage and ADU Addition	04/07/26	pending staff review
2	838 Grey Avenue	R2	Building Permit	ADU	03/13/26	non-compliant, pending revisions or variation application
2	1115 Dewey Avenue	R3	Building Permit	New Garage	03/16/16	pending additional information from the applicant
3	827-831 Chicago Avenue	C1a	Zoning Analysis	Tenant improvement and conversion of an existing building at 831 Chicago Ave. to a child daycare facility with an outdoor playground in the rear of the property. The application also includes the building and parking lot at 827-829 Chicago Ave.	01/12/26	pending additional information from the applicant
3	111 Burnham Place	R1	Building Permit	New 2-story Single-Family Home	03/31/26	pending staff review
3	1122 Judson Street	R1	Building Permit	2nd Story Addition	04/08/26	pending staff review
4	1009 Wesley Avenue #4	R3	Building Permit	New Carport	01/02/26	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1112 Lake Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	1st Floor Addition	03/17/26	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1026 Elmwood Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Demolition of existing residence and construction of a new 2.5 story single-family home	04/02/26	pending staff review
4	1423 Elmwood Avenue	R5	Building Permit	ADU Addition	04/08/26	pending staff review
5	2012 Maple Avenue	R4a	Building Permit	New Garage	02/10/26	non-compliant; pending revisions or variation application
6	2726 Lawndale Avenue	R1	Building Permit	New Garage	02/23/26	non-compliant; pending revisions or variation application
6	2701 Harrison Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	2nd Story Addition	03/25/26	non-compliant; pending revisions or variation application
6	2737 Highland Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Proposal to allow a driveway and open parking pad in a front yard when an alley is present	03/25/26	pending staff review
6	2731 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	Addition to existing 2-flat	03/30/26	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2440 Prospect Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Attached Garage	04/07/26	pending staff review
7	1900 Central Street	B1a/oCSC	Zoning Analysis	Demolition of the existing Chase Bank and construction of a new Chase Bank	09/22/25	non-compliant, pending revisions/additional information from the applicant
7	1916 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	Addition to existing 2-flat	10/16/25	non-compliant; pending submission of major variation application
7	2722 Green Bay Road	C2, oCSC	Zoning Analysis	Conversion of the existing building (former Office Depot) and construction of a new 2-story addition for a commercial indoor recreation facility for baseball, flag football and soccer. The development would function as a youth sports practice, skills-training, and young player game facility. Use of the facility would be limited to organized youth practices of both private and Evanston sports organizations, training sessions, clinics, camps, and private group events. The facility will operate year-round to host planned events.	03/04/26	pending revisions from applicant
7	2235 Campus Drive	U3	Zoning Analysis	Proposal to allow the Chicago Stars to play an average of 16 matches at Martin Field on the Northwestern campus for their 2027 season.	03/17/26	pending staff review

Pending building permit and zoning analysis reviews older than 6 months where there has not been activity are periodically removed from the zoning report.

Miscellaneous Zoning Cases

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	1707 Benson Avenue	D2	Administrative Review Use	Administrative Review Use for a private karaoke commercial establishment	03/25/26	pending additional information from the applicant
2	900 Clark Street	RP	Planned Development	New 27-story mixed-use building with ground floor retail and 383 dwelling units	01/28/25	pending additional information from the applicant
4	740 Main Street	B2, oCSC	Special Use	Establishment of a new veterinary clinic in an existing ground floor space	03/03/26	Pending future Land Use Commission public hearing on 04/22/2026
4	1450 Sherman Avenue	D4	Administrative Review Use	Admin review use to allow ground floor office uses. This project is developing and providing 25 individual and private professional working suites to other small business owners in the beauty and wellness industries.	04/02/26	pending staff review
5	1103 Emerson Street	R6	Major Variations	Demolition of existing structures (2-flat & 4-flat) and construction of a 5-story building with 6 rooming units (including 18 bedrooms), 24 dwelling units, and 5 on-site parking stalls.	12/03/25	Pending future Planning & Development Committee and City Council Meeting on 04/27/2026
6	2320 Pioneer Road	R4	Planned Development	An amendment the existing Planned Development and Special Use at the Three Crowns retirement community, which would allow site modifications (new parking areas, curb cut and landscaping) as well as building modifications (addition of elevator tower, minor building addition, interior renovation from assisted living to independent living within the Pioneer Building).	02/04/26	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2428 Ewing Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Accessory use/structure, patio, located within the required street side yard setback and between the building line and principal structure	03/24/26	determination after 04/10/26
6	1934 McDaniel Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Deck and pergola located in a front yard and a reduction in the required separation between a principal structure and accessory structure	03/25/26	pending staff review
7	831 Ingleside Place	R1	Major Variation	Major variation to allow a reduced rear yard setback for an addition	12/03/25	pending revisions from applicant
8	707 W Howard Street	B3	Text Amendment & Special Use	Zoning text amendment to allow performance entertainment venues as a special use within the B3 zone district	07/02/25	pending revisions from applicant



To: Luke Stowe, City Manager
From: Ciprian Radoescu, HVAC/Mechanical Inspector
Subject: Weekly Field Inspection Report
Date: March, 27 2026

Enclosed is the weekly summary report of field inspections for construction projects under special monitoring. The report includes the ward, property address, type of construction, inspector notes, and date received.

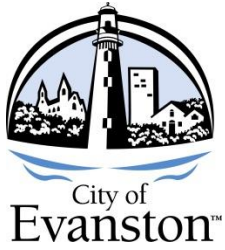
Please contact me at cradoescu@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Weekly Field Inspection Report

Friday, April 10, 2026

Ward	Property Address	Job Description	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Most Recent Inspection Received
1	2169 Campus Drive 24BLDC-0005	New Kellog Center	New Construction	No changes. MEP inspections continues. Proper signage, construction fence and safety in place.	Structural-Rough Fee & Reinsp. Req'd 4/2/2026
4	1012 Church Street Northlight Theater 24BLDC-0004	Construction Of A New Two Story Theatre	Assembly	No changes. MEP inspections continues. Temporary bike lane is in place. The alleyway has been closed with offsite parking provided for residents	Structural-Rough Fee & Reinsp. Req'd 4/9/2026
1	1621 Chicago Avenue 25BLDC-0005	NEW CONSTRUCTION OF 11 STORY (110 dwelling unit) RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT BUILDING	New Construction	No changes. Construction fence installed. Construction Permit Pending.	No Inspections At This Time 4/10/2026
*	Truck Route	*	*	No changes. Street sweeping continues. Truck route continues to monitored for speed and debris.	* 4/10/2026

7	1501 Central Street 24BLDC-0002	Ryan StadiumCore+Shell	New Construction	Framing and MEP inspections continue at stadium. Street sweepers continue to address roadway dust and debris. All trucks continue to pass through truck washing station with manual washing of trucks and street. Construction fence is in place and in good condition.	Electrical-rough Complies	4/6/2026
3	504 South Boulevard 23BLDC-0002	New 5 story apartment building providing 60 units	New Construction	Elevators and stair shafts completed . Vibration monitoring continues.	Electrical-Rough Complies	4/8/2026
2	1611 Church Street 24EXTR-0298	Conversion Of Existing Industrial Building To 8 Residential Units	Remodeling and New Construction	MEP inspections continue.	Mechanical-Rough Complies	3/19/2026
7	2305 Sheridan Road 25INTC-0209	Interior Renovation Of Existing 4 Story With Basement R-2 Dormitory	Renoavtion	MEP inspections continue. Construction fence in place with proper signage.	Mechanical-Rough Complies	4/9/2026
3	819 Judson Avenue 24BLDC-0001	New Construction Of A Four Unit Building	New Construction	MEP inspections continue. Construction fence in place.	Structural-Rough Fee & Reinsp. Req'd	3/17/2026
4	910 Custer Ave 25BLDC-0002	Construction of a New Five-Story Residential Multifamily Building	New Construction	Proper signage, construction fence and safety in place.	Structural-Rough Complies	3/25/2026

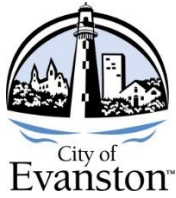


To: Luke Stowe, City Manager
From: Angela Butler, Permit Services Supervisor
Subject: Monthly Construction Valuation & Permit Fee Report
Date: April 10, 2026

Enclosed is the monthly construction valuation and permit fee report. The report compares current month and year-to-date totals with those from 2025.

Please contact me at abutler@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Angela Butler
Permit Services Supervisor



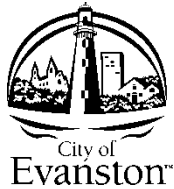
Date: April 10, 2026
To: Luke Stowe, City Manager
From: Angela Butler, Permit Services Supervisor
Subject: March 2026 Construction Valuation & Permit Fee Report

Building Permit Fees

Total Permit Fees Collected - March 2026	\$665,664.35
Total Permit Fees Collected - Fiscal Year 2026	\$1,280,315.97
Total Permit Fees Collected - March 2025	\$741,079.86
Total Permit Fees Collected - Fiscal Year 2025	\$4,469,553.63

Construction Values

Total Construction Value March 2026	\$55,266,206.00
Total Construction Value – Fiscal Year 2026	\$80,320,281.00
Total Construction Value – March 2025	\$46,438,517.00
Total Construction Value – Fiscal Year 2025	\$229,863,806.00



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Ike Ogbo, Director, Department of Health & Human Services

Services Subject: Food Establishment License Application Weekly Report

Date: April 10, 2026

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
8	751 Howard St	Sabrosura Coffee Bar	1/09/2025	Pending Reviews and Inspections
8	1717 Howard St	Showkey African Cuisine	8/26/2024	Pending Building Permit Application
8	565 Howard St	T.E & Company	8/22/2024	Pending Building Permit Issuance
4	1310 ½ Chicago Ave	Peeled Juice Bar	5/9/2024	Pending Building Permit Issuance and Inspections
1	817 Noyes	Fred's Bread	4/9/25	Pending Final Inspections
8	743 Howard	Zion African Market	6/12/25	Pending Health Review and Inspections
5	1600 Simpson	Foster School	5/12/25	Pending Health Review and Inspections
7	1921 Central	Tallgrass	4/17/25	Pending Reviews and Inspections
7	1030 Central St	Canal Shores Outdoor Patio	9/11/25	Pending Inspections and FCO
2	2400 Main St.	Snowfruit 558 – within Food4Less	9/18/25	Pending Inspections and FCO
4	1563 Sherman Ave	Giordano's	11/20/25	Pending Inspections and FCO
1	1716 Sherman Ave	Night Owl Productions	12/9/25	Pending Inspections and FCO
5	1608 Emerson St	Asli Fried Chicken Corp	1/7/26	Pending Inspection and FCO
7	2001 Sheridan Rd	Jacobs Cafe	1/8/26	Pending Inspections and FCO
2	2312 Main St.	Amazon-ZCG7-Main St	1/13/26	Pending Zoning Approval, Building Permit, Insps
2	2430 Main St.	U Taco	2/11/26	Pending Building Permit, Inspections and FCO
8	337 Howard St	501 Belizean Cuisine	3/17/26	Pending Review Approvals and FCO
4	1010 Church St	The Addled Bunny	4/8/26	Pending Reviews, Building Permit, Inspections, FCO



To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Brian George, Assistant City Attorney
Subject: Weekly Liquor License Application Report
Date: April 8, 2026

Enclosed is the weekly report of liquor applications received and pending. The report includes the ward, business addresses, license types, descriptions, and current application statuses.

More details can be found on the [liquor license](#) webpage.

Weekly Liquor Licensing Report

Liquor applications received and pending for the week of April 3, 2026

Annual License

Everest Indian Cuisine

Address: 630 Church St. Evanston, IL 60201, **1st Ward**

Class: C

Description: Restaurant

Hours: 7 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Mon-Wed); 7 a.m. — 2a.m. (Thur-Sun)

STATUS: Application will be reviewed at the Liquor Control Review Board on April 24th

Local Note Jazz Club

Address: 1726 Sherman Ave. Evanston, IL 60201, **1st Ward**

Class: O

Description: Tavern

Hours: 11 a.m. — 2 a.m. (Mon-Wed); 11 a.m. — 3 a.m. (Thur-Sun)

STATUS: Application will be reviewed at the Liquor Control Review Board on April 24th

Pizzeria Deville

Address: 1528 Chicago Ave. Evanston, IL 60201, **2nd Ward**

Class: C

Description: Restaurant

Hours: 7 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Mon-Wed); 7 a.m. — 2a.m. (Thur-Sun)

STATUS: Application will be reviewed at the Liquor Control Review Board on April 24th

Fred's Bread Bakery & Café

Address: 817 Noyes St. Evanston, IL 60201, **1st Ward**

Class: C

Description: Restaurant

Hours: 7 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Mon-Wed); 7 a.m. — 2a.m. (Thur-Sun)

STATUS: Application will be reviewed at the Liquor Control Review Board on April 24th

One-Day Liquor License

Windfree Solar Café¹

Address: 517 Dempster St., Evanston, IL 60201, **3rd Ward**

Class: Z-1

Description: Beer and Wine

Date: April 22, 2026

Hours: Mon - Thurs: 10AM - 10:30PM Fri - Sun: 10AM - 2AM

STATUS: License Issued

Downtown Evanston

Address: 1601 Sherman Ave., Evanston, IL 60201, **2nd Ward**

Class: Z-5

Description: Alcoholic Beverages

Date: July 9, 2026, July 16, 2026, July 23, 2026, July 30, 2026, August 6, 2026, August 13, 2026, August 20, 2026, August 27, 2026, September 3, 2026

Hours: Sun - Sat: 10AM - 10:00PM

STATUS: Application pending



DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY BRIEFING

By NWMC Executive Director Mark L. Fowler



WEEK ENDING APRIL 10, 2026

NWMC Board Approves FY 2026-2027 Budget, Forwards Leadership Slate

Thank you to the twenty-five members who participated in Wednesday night's Board meeting. The Board unanimously approved the FY 2026-2027 NWMC Budget, which leverages the organization's strong financial position to implement the goals of the recently completed 2026 Strategic Plan. While the budget does not raise membership dues for the thirteenth consecutive year, the document addresses current and future dues scenarios and policies for consideration by future leadership. The Board also forwarded the proposed slate of officers for FY 2026-2027 for election at the May 13 meeting. Officers will be sworn in at the NWMC Annual Gala (see article below). *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

This Week's NWMC Legislative Update

The Illinois House was in session this week with the focus firmly on floor action. The House and the Senate will both be in session next week in advance of their third reading deadline of Friday, April 17, which serves as the "official" deadline to move bills to the opposite chamber. The General Assembly has just six weeks of session scheduled before their scheduled May 31 adjournment.

Yesterday, the Conference sent an Action Alert to members in response to Governor JB Pritzker's Building Up Illinois Developments (BUILD) agenda, which includes resources for use in contacting legislators. While none of the BUILD bills have been assigned to committees in the House or Senate, the Conference urges members to reach out to legislators now. The Northwest Municipal Conference is committed to the objective of addressing housing shortages and considering alternative strategies; however, the Conference is **opposed** to the legislation comprising the BUILD agenda. *Staff contacts: Chris Staron, Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

The Invitations Are Out for the 2026 NWMC Gala!

It's time to RSVP for the NWMC Gala, scheduled for Wednesday, June 10, at Independence Grove in *Libertyville*. The Gala will celebrate the NWMC's 68th anniversary and the inauguration of the organization's FY 2026-2027 officers. A reception will be held at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP by Friday, May 22 to Marina Durso, mdurso@nwmc-cog.org or 847-296-9200. *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury, Marina Durso*

SPC Approves Lane Marking Contract Extension

The Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) Governing Board has approved the second of three possible, one-year contract extensions on the SPC 2026-27 [Thermoplastic &/or Urethane Lane Marking Material and Labor Road Marking Program](#) (Contract #229) to High Star Traffic/dba Superior Road Striping of *Bartlett*. The contract extension runs from April 12, 2026 through April 11, 2027 and contains the following price increases:

DESCRIPTION	UNIT	2025 PRICES	2026 PRICES
Thermoplastic Pavement Marking Letter & Symbols	SF	\$5.11	\$5.26
Thermoplastic Pavement Marking - 4" Line	FT	\$0.75	\$0.77
Thermoplastic Pavement Marking - 6" Line	FT	\$0.97	\$1.00
Thermoplastic Pavement Marking - 8" Line	FT	\$1.29	\$1.33
Thermoplastic Pavement Marking - 12" Line	FT	\$2.15	\$2.21
Thermoplastic Pavement Marking - 24" Line	FT	\$5.11	\$5.26
Thermoplastic Pavement Marking Removal Grinding	SF	\$0.38	\$0.39
Urethane Pavement Marking Letter & Symbols	SF	\$5.38	\$5.54
Urethane Pavement Marking - 4" Line	FT	\$0.70	\$0.72
Urethane Pavement Marking - 6" Line	FT	\$1.08	\$1.11
Urethane Pavement Marking - 8" Line	FT	\$1.61	\$1.66
Urethane Pavement Marking - 12" Line	FT	\$2.15	\$2.21
Urethane Pavement Marking - 24" Line	FT	\$5.38	\$5.54

Preform Thermoplastic Bike Marking/Chevron	EA	\$376.25	\$376.25
Pavement Marking Removal - Grinding	SF	\$0.38	\$0.39

Superior Road Striping agrees to all terms and conditions set forth in the specifications contained within the Request for Proposals. Please note that this award is not in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Transportation, so participating communities will not be utilizing Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds. However, Superior Road Striping must comply with all IDOT rules and regulations, as well as prevailing wage and certified payroll.

For questions or additional information, please contact staff or Striping Division Administrator Kim Kudelka, 630-293-0026 ext. 3310 or kekudelka@highstartraffic.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

NWMC Spring Auction is Next Week!

Thank you to *Glenview, Lincolnshire, Palatine, Skokie, Alsip, Crete, Elburn, Flossmoor, North Aurora, South Chicago Heights, South Holland, Tinley Park and Woodridge* for signing up to participate in the Spring NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction. The auction will be held at noon on Tuesday, April 14 at America’s Auto Auction (America’s AA) in Crestwood. There is still time to participate and please note that vehicles and equipment can be listed for sale up to the morning of the auction.

In addition, America’s AA hosts online sales on par with other government surplus Internet auctions. For more information, please contact staff or America’s AA Sales Executive Manager Kasey Salameh, 708-389-4488 (office), 708-953-3069 (mobile) or Kasey.salameh@Americasaa.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Keep Construction Projects Moving Without Delays with SPC’s Alliance with Sourcewell

As a reminder and thanks to the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative’s alliance with Sourcewell, you can save time and money on construction and public works purchasing and reduce procurement workload tied to traditional solicitation cycles by using competitively solicited agreements already in place.

Access contracts that support every phase of a project without slowing down day-to-day operations. Awarded suppliers like Caterpillar (Contract 011723-CAT), John Deere (Contract 011723-JDC) and United Rentals (Contract 040924-URI) support construction and public works projects.

Explore [Construction Contracts](#) to find competitively solicited contracts for:

- Heavy construction equipment
- Related attachments and technology
- Rental equipment and services

For questions or additional information, please contact staff or Sourcewell Account Managers Aaron Peterson, 218-541-5299 or Aaron.Peterson@sourcewell-mn.gov, or Nicole Allen 224-661-1825 or Nicole.Allen@sourcewell-mn.gov. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

SPC Vehicle Contract Updates

As a reminder, Currie Fleet has provided the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) with the following updates on vehicle production:

- 2026 [Ford Police Interceptor Utility](#) (Contract #204) orders are still being accepted. Production is projecting a June build but may cut-off without a warning announcement. There will be a delay for 2027 production for gasoline motors.
- Production of [Ford Transit Vans](#) (Contract #207) for Full Size Van, Passenger Wagon and E-Transit order acceptance continues until the May 8 factory order cut-off date. Updated price lists/order forms on the [SPC Vans page](#) reflect the new order cut-off date.
- The 2027 [Ford Expedition](#) order bank is open and the updated price lists/order form is on the [SPC Sport Utility Vehicles page](#).

- The anticipated order cut-off date for the [Chevrolet Silverado Police Pursuit Vehicles](#) (Contract # 234) will likely be late April. The 2027 start-up date is expected to be greatly delayed due to plant retooling.
- Production of the [Chevrolet Silverado 2500](#) (Contract #218) continues, with a factory ordered cut-off expected in late May or early June.

For questions or additional information, please contact staff or Currie Fleet Municipal Sales Manager Tom Sullivan, 815-464-9200 or tsullivan@curriemotors.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Implement Traffic Safety Interventions with a SS4A Grant!

The United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) has opened its final call for projects for the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) grant program. Municipalities are now eligible to apply for nearly \$1 billion in [SS4A Planning and Implementation Grants and Demonstration Grants](#) under the [SS4A Federal Highway Administration \(FHWA\) NOFO](#). SS4A grant awards range from \$100,000 up to \$25,000,000. Applications are due by Tuesday, May 26 at 4:00 p.m. Read more, including how to apply, at [the SS4A grants webpage](#).

USDOT will offer three webinars on SS4A:

- Implementation Grants
- Action Plans
- [Supplemental Planning and Demonstration Grants: Tuesday, April 14, 12:30 p.m.](#)

Unsure where to start? Use the NWMC's [Multimodal Plan Street Design Tools](#) to choose the improvements to make travel safer for people walking, biking, and driving. Alternatively, the [county-level Safe Travel for All Safety Action Plans](#) were adopted last year to support community applications for SS4A funds. These plans provide roadmaps for improving traffic safety through identification of High Injury Networks, intersections or road segments. *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

FEMA Opens BRIC Program Applications

From the desk of Nancy Huynh, Director of Government Affairs, Office of Illinois Governor JB Pritzker:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) published the funding opportunity for the Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program. Through this funding opportunity, FEMA is making \$1 billion in federal funding available to states, local governments, territories and Tribal Nations, empowering them to take decisive, proactive steps to protect their communities from potential disasters like fires, floods, earthquakes, and hurricanes.

This new BRIC funding opportunity is specifically designed to:

- Prioritize infrastructure resilience by funding construction projects that are ready to implement and incentivizing the adoption of the latest hazard-resistant building codes. This is a proven strategy to protect communities and reduce future disaster losses.
- Move money faster by eliminating phased projects, simplifying the National Competition scoring system and removing subapplication scoring by the National Review Panel. This will enable community leaders to take swift, decisive action to bolster their resilience to disasters.
- Shift responsibility and authority to states, territories and Tribal Nations by removing funding for hazard mitigation planning and non-financial direct technical assistance provisions. The program now maximizes state and local responsibility for resilience and risk reduction rather than federal investing in a wide range of activities.

Eligible applicants include states, the District of Columbia, U.S. territories and federally recognized Tribal Nations. Eligible subapplicants include local governments, communities, special districts and Tribal Nations applying through a state or territory. For the Fiscal Years 2024-25 funding cycle, these are the available categories:

- \$112 million for states and territories (up to \$2 million federal cost share for each applicant).
- \$50 million Tribal Set-Aside (up to \$2 million federal cost share for each applicant).
- \$56 million for State or Territory Building Code Plus-Up (up to \$1 million federal cost share per applicant) and \$25 million for Tribal Nation Building Code Plus-Up to carry out eligible building code adoption and enforcement activities.

- \$757 million for National Competition (up to \$20 million federal cost share per subapplication).

No single applicant may receive more than 15% of the total available funding across all BRIC categories and includes the combined total of all funding category requests.

The application period will open on March 25 and run for 120 days. The deadline to submit applications is July 23.
Staff contact: Mark Fowler

MWRD Stormwater Resources & Engagement Opportunities

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) is offering several resources and opportunities for partners to stay informed, provide input and support effective stormwater management efforts across the region. Partners are encouraged to complete the [Stormwater Partnership Survey](#) to provide feedback on MWRD's programs and help guide future improvements, priorities, and funding approaches.

To stay up to date on program announcements, funding opportunities, and partnership news, stakeholders can join the [MWRD Partnerships Mailing List](#). MWRD also maintains [Stormwater Central GeoHub](#), a centralized online platform offering interactive maps, data and planning tools to assist communities in identifying and advancing stormwater projects. In addition, MWRD provides a range of [education and outreach resources](#), including publications, technical materials and facility tours that support public awareness and adoption of best practices in water management. Together, these tools provide valuable ways for municipalities and stakeholders to engage with MWRD, access technical resources and help shape the future of regional stormwater programs. For questions, please contact Eric Czarnota, eczarnota@nwmc-cog.org or Mark Castillo, CastilloM@mwr.org. *Staff contact: Eric Czarnota*

Spend Five Days in June With CMAP! Students Invited to Apply for Future Leaders in Planning

From the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP):

Today's high school students will be tomorrow's northeastern Illinois' leaders. Do you want to learn how the decisions that shape our region are made? Spend five days in June with the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) as part of the [Future Leaders in Planning \(FLIP\)](#) summer program!

CMAP seeks high school students from Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will counties who want to learn about urban planning and our region and share ideas about how to make northeastern Illinois a better place to live, go to school, work, and play.

When: five-day 2026 FLIP program will take place over two weeks from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day

- Week 1: June 23, 24, 25, 26 (Tuesday – Friday)
- Week 2: June 30 (Tuesday)

Where: Students will meet at CMAP's office at the Old Post Office in downtown Chicago ([433 W. Van Buren St.](#)).

The program is fully in person, and it will include field trips. The program is completely free to students, and includes snacks, meals, public transportation to and from sessions, and materials. The application deadline is 11:59 p.m. on Friday, May 1. [Apply to be part of the 2026 FLIP cohort](#). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

Apply for Love Your Block 2026-2028!

From Bloomberg Philanthropies:

Love Your Block is a two-year civic engagement program that brings city leaders and residents together to strengthen neighborhoods, one block at a time. Selected cities will receive \$270,000, coaching, and implementation support to turn community priorities into action. From transforming vacant lots into community gardens to removing trash and debris from a public right-of-way, the program supports cities in engaging with their residents to design, develop, and deliver small-scale neighborhood improvement projects that make their communities and cities better places to live. [Learn More and Apply by June 1, 2026](#). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

Newsy Items of the Week

Daily Herald: [3 roundabouts in Lake County's 2026 construction program](#)

Route Fifty: [Inside the government website accessibility lobbying push](#)

Route Fifty: [5 ways state and local governments will operationalize AI in 2026](#)

Daily Herald: [Metra tests preboarding fare checks in pilot program](#)

Daily Herald: [Bartlett eyes transformational 63-acre development at village gateway](#)

Shaw Local: [Metra's \\$156 million construction program includes station improvements, crossing upgrades](#)

Chicago Tribune: [Niles Brings back its free bus service after an eight-month hiatus](#)

Meetings and Events

NWMC Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee will meet on Tuesday, April 14 at 10:30 a.m. at the NWMC office and via videoconference.

NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction will be held on Tuesday, April 14 at noon at America's Auto Auction, 14001 Karlov Avenue in Crestwood.

NWMC Legislative Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 15 at 8:30 a.m. via videoconference.

North Shore Council of Mayors Technical Committee will meet on Thursday, April 16 at 8:30 a.m. at the *Glenview Village Hall*.

NWMC Transportation Committee will meet on Thursday, April 23 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC office and via videoconference.

Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee will meet on Friday, April 24 at 9:00 a.m. at the *Palatine Village Hall*.

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