

Memorandum

To: Mayor Tisdahl and Members of the City Council
From: Wally Bobkiewicz, City Manager
Subject: City Manager's Weekly Update
Date: Friday, July 24, 2015

STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT



Weekly Report for July 17, 2015 – July 23, 2015

Administrative Services

Publication of FY 2014 Annual Treasurer's Report
Weekly Bids Advertised – None

City Manager's Office

Master Council Meeting Agenda Schedule

Community Development

Zoning Report
Inspection Report

Health Department

Food Establishment Application Weekly Report

Law Department

Weekly Liquor License Applications Report

Legislative Reading

NWMC Weekly Briefing

PUBLIC NOTICES, AGENDAS & MINUTES

July 27, 2015

Administration & Public Works Committee Meeting

www.cityofevanston.org/apw

Planning and Development Committee

www.cityofevanston.org/pd

City Council

www.cityofevanston.org/citycouncil

July 28, 2015

Human Relations Commission

www.cityofevanston.org/humanrelationscommission

July 29, 2015

Design and Project Review Committee

www.cityofevanston.org/dapr

July 30, 2015

No scheduled meetings

July 31, 2015

No scheduled meetings



Weekly Update

Below is a brief summary of activities in the 311 Center for the period of July 17, 2015 through July 23, 2015.

	CURRENT WEEK'S TOTALS	PREVIOUS WEEK'S TOTALS
CALLS HANDLED	2766	2785
SERVICE REQUESTS	778	840
TOTAL CHATS	53	63
TOTAL TEXT	14	9

Top 5 Service Requests

Total

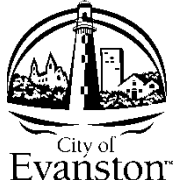
Most requested service requests (Source: PublicStuff - Open/Closed)

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| 1. Building Permit Inspection Request | 88 |
| 2. Trash – Special Pick-up | 85 |
| 3. Rodents – Rats | 45 |
| 4. Tree Evaluation | 39 |
| 5. Broken Parking Meter | 26 |

Please see the following page for the Weekly Telephone Wrap up Data

Telephone Wrap-up Data At the end of each call the 311 staff selects the appropriate Category/Department for the call. The table reflects the activity for the past week.

Weekly Telephone Wrap Up Data	
Category/Department	Total
Administrative Services -Parking	256
Administrative Services -Finance	35
Administrative Services -HR	30
Administrative Services - Other	145
City Manager's Office	46
ComDev / Economic Development	22
ComDev/ Bldg Inspections	284
ComDev / Housing Rehab	2
ComDev / Planning/Zoning	29
General Assistance	9
Fire Life Safety	41
PublicStuff Request	291
Health	137
Information	443
Law	4
Library	6
Mayor's Office	4
Other/311	177
Other – Social Services	2
Parks – Maintenance	6
Parks – Programs/Picnics/Permits	31
Parks – Other	14
Parks/Recreation	52
Parks – Forestry	48
Parks- Recreation Programs	84
Police	160
Public Works / Fleet	4
Public Works / Street Sanitation	200
Public Works / Engineering	56
Tax Assessment Office	7
Utilities – Power	8
Utilities – Sewer	2
Utilities – Water	131
TOTAL	2766



Memorandum

To: Wally Bobkiewicz, City Manager
Martin Lyons, Assistant City Manager/CFO

From: David Meimers, Accounting Manager/Controller

Subject: Publication of FY2014 Annual Treasurer's Report

Date: July 21, 2015

Pursuant to Illinois Compiled Statutes Chapter 65, Section 5/3.1-35-65, the City Treasurer is required to annually prepare and file with the City Clerk and County Collector an account of monies received and expenditure incurred during the preceding fiscal year, within six months after the end of each fiscal year. For the year ending December 31, 2014 the City requested and was granted a 30 day extension. The City Clerk is required to publish the annual report in a local newspaper having general circulation in the City.

The Treasurer's Report is required to include the following information:

- All monies received by the municipality
- All monies paid out where the total amount paid during the fiscal year exceeds \$2,500 in the aggregate with the name of the persons
- All monies paid out by the municipality as compensation for personal services with the name of persons listing them in one of several amount categories
- A summary statement of operations for all funds

Accordingly, all of the above information is posted on the City's website at: <http://cityofevanston.org/city-budget/financial-reports/>. The City of Evanston Treasurer's Report will be published in the Pioneer Press on Thursday August 6th.

Evanston City Council Agenda Schedule - 2015

(PLEASE NOTE: Dates for agenda items are tentative and subject to change.)

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DEPT	MEETING DATE	ITEMS	COUNCIL ACTION	COUNCIL or COMMITTEE	LEAD STAFF	NOTES
Public Works	8/17/2015	Fountain Square Update	SPB	CC	Robinson	
Admin Services	8/17/2015	(1) FY2014 Audit CAFR; (2) OPEB Report	SPB	CC	Lyons	
Admin Services	8/17/2015	FY2016 Budget Calendar; FY2015 Mid-Year Financial Report	SPB	CC	Storlie	
Public Works/Utilities	8/17/2015	FY2015 CIP Update	SPB	CC	Lyons	
Public Works	8/17/2015	Emerson/Ridge/Green Bay Viaduct	SPB	CC	Robinson	
Police/Admin Services	8/17/2015	Sungard	B	APW	Eddington/Storlie	
Admin Services	8/17/2015	Budget Amendment	R	APW	Storlie	
Admin Services	8/17/2015	Sherman Plaza Maintenance Agreement	B	APW	Lyons	
Utilities	8/17/2015	Clearwell Repair Contract	B	APW	Stoneback	
Utilities	8/17/2015	Energy Efficiency in City Bldgs	B	APW	Stoneback	
Public Works	8/17/2015	Uniform Contract	B	APW	Robinson	
Public Works	8/17/2015	Solid Waste Contract: Residential Yard Waste Extension	B	APW	Lyons/Robinson	
Public Works	8/17/2015	Solid Waste: Lakeshore Condo Refuse Extension	B	APW	Lyons/Robinson	
Public Works	8/17/2015	Solid Waste: Residential Refuse Extension	B	APW	Lyons/Robinson	
Public Works	8/17/2015	Solid Waste: Commercial Franchise Extension	B	APW	Lyons/Robinson	
Public Works	8/17/2015	CIPIII Street Resurfacing Contract	B	APW	Robinson	
Public Works	8/17/2015	Salt Contract	B	APW	Robinson	
CMO	8/17/2015	BCC Reports	B	APW	Bobkiewicz	
Utilities	8/17/2015	2014 CIPP Contract B change order	B	APW	Stoneback	
Public Works	8/17/2015	Civic Center Parking Lot C.O.	B	APW	Robinson	
Public Works	8/17/2015	Fire Station Parking Lot C.O.	B	APW	Robinson	
Admin Services	8/17/2015	PARCS Chg Order	B	APW	Lyons	
PRCS	8/17/2015	63-R-15 Parking Lot Agreement with Y.O.U. at Gibbs Morrison	R	APW	McRae	
CMO	8/17/2015	Church St. ComEd Parking Lot Land lease	R	APW	Bobkiewicz	
CMO	8/17/2015	Class 7a Revisions for Little Beans	R	APW	Bobkiewicz	
CD	8/17/2015	102-O-15 Execute Sale of 1941 Jackson to CPAH	O	APW	Muenzer	Suspension of Rules: Intro & Action
Public Works	8/17/2015	Recycling Fair	C	APW	Robinson	
Public Works	8/17/2015	Multi-Family Recycling Update	C	APW	Robinson	
CD	8/17/2015	609 South Blvd Renovation	O	PD	Muenzer	
CMO	8/17/2015	Animal Welfare Board Policies	O	HS	Bobkiewicz	Introduction
Admin Services	8/31/2015	2016 Budget Discussion	SPB	CC	Lyons	Special CC mtg

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Admin Services	9/15/2015	Printer/Copier Purchase	B	APW	Storlie	
Admin Services	9/15/2015	Pubic Works Vehicle Purchase	B	APW	Storlie	
Admin Services	9/15/2015	Civic Ctr Rental Space for NSSC G205	B	APW	Storlie	
Admin Services	9/15/2015	Divvy Bike Agreement and locations	B	APW	Storlie	
Admin Services	9/15/2015	GO Bond Sale	O	APW	Storlie	
Public Works	9/15/2015	NU Sheridan Road Utility Easements	R	APW	Robinson	
CMO	9/15/2015	Increased Fines for Bikes on Sidewalks	O	APW	Bobkiewicz	Introduction
CMO	9/15/2015	Sale 1821 Ridge	O	APW	Bobkiewicz	Introduction
Law	9/15/2015	Operational Guidelines Firearm Ranges	O	PD	Farrar	Introduction: Ref from City Council 6.22.15
CD	9/15/2015	Amendments to the Inclusionary Housing Ordinance	O	PD	Muenzer	Introduction
Admin Services/Law	9/15/2015	Hotel Motel Tax - B&Bs	O	PD	Lyons/Farrar	Intro: Held in Committee Jan 26
CMO	9/21/2015	Harley Clarke	SPB	CC	Bobkiewicz	3rd Monday
CMO	9/21/2015	Downtown Performing Arts Task Force Recommendations	SPB	CC	Bobkiewicz	
PRCS	9/21/2015	Penny Park Discussion	SPB	CC	McRae	<i>(After Rec Brd Consideration)</i>
Fire	9/28/2015	Renaming Evanston Fire and Life Safety	R	APW	Klaiber	
Law/PW	9/28/2015	Sidewalk Cafes Administrative Revisions	O	EDC	Farrar/Robinson	Introduction
Mayor	Oct	National Fire Prevention Week	PR	CC		
Mayor	Oct	National Community Planning Month	PR	CC		
Admin Serv	Oct	Investment Strategies: Institutions	B	APW	Lyons	
Council & Committee Meetings						
Mon, July 27	6:00 PM	A&PW, P&D, City Council meetings				
Mon, Aug 17	6:00 PM	A&PW, P&D, City Council meetings				
Tues, Aug 18	7:00 PM	Housing & Community Dev Act Committee				
Wed, Aug 19	6:30 PM	M/W/EBE Advisory Committee				
Fri, Aug 28	7:00 AM	Housing & Homelessness Commission				
Mon, Oct 19 11:27 AM	7:00 PM	City Council meeting				

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DEFERRED						
Dept	Date	Item	Action	Committee	Staff	
Utilities	TBA	Computerized Maintenance Management System	B	APW	Stoneback	
Public Works	TBA	BAS Contract - 8 City buildings	B	APW	Robinson	
CMO	TBA	D202 IGA: Safe School Zone	R	HS	Bobkiewicz	
Admin Serv	TBA	Increase Parking Garage Monthly Permit Fee	B	APW	Voss	
Admin Serv	TBA	Amendment to PEHP Resolution	R	APW	Lyons	
Law	TBA	Ord 27-O-12 Cell Phone Ban	O	HS	Grover/Farrar	
CD	TBA	Rental Licensing	O	PD		
Law	TBA	Title 9 City Code Amendments	O	CC	Farrar	(Introduced 1.27.14)
Law	2016	Pedicabs	O	APW	Farrar	Tabled 3.9.15 (revisit 2016)
Admin Serv	tba	Credit Card Analysis	D	APW	Lyons	
Admin Services	deferred	NU Parking agreement - Church St Garage	R	APW	Lyons/Storlie	
Public Works	deferred	CIP II Water Main & Street Resurfacing Contract Award	B	APW	Robinson	
Public Works	deferred	Change Order-Civic Center Lot	B	APW	Robinson	



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Damir Latinovic, Planning and Zoning Administrator
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report
Date: July 24, 2015

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

Please contact me at 847/448-8675 or dlatinovic@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Zoning Weekly Update
Cases Received and Pending, July 17 - July 23, 2015

Zoning Reviews					
Ward	Property Address	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	2350 Orrington Avenue	Zoning Analysis	Construct 2 story SFR w/ 2-car det. garage/coach house (Kendall)	05/27/15	pending additional info from applicant
1	633 Clark Street	Building Permit	Misc. sitework to terrace/plaza (Northwestern-Rebecca Crown Plaza).	07/23/15	pending DAPR
1	721 University Place	Building Permit	Interior remodeling @ Evans Scholarship Building (NU)	07/23/15	compliant
2	709 Brown Avenue	Building Permit	Construct 2nd story @ SFR	07/23/15	compliant
3	835 Chicago Avenue	Building Permit	Construct 9-story, mixed use commercial/residential building (112 du's)	05/28/15	DAPR 07/29/15
4	1022 Davis Street	Building Permit	Interior remodeling for retail service establishment (hair salon)	07/20/15	compliant
4	1022 Ridge Court	Building Permit	Construct 2-story addition	05/13/15	pending additional info from applicant
4	1026 Asbury Avenue	Building Permit	Construct screened porch @ SFR.	07/22/15	non-compliant
4	1410 Asbury Avenue	Zoning Analysis	Construct rear yard deck @ SFR.	07/21/15	compliant
6	2319 Marcy Avenue	Building Permit	Construct 2-story addition @ SFR.	07/23/15	compliant
6	2410 Isabella Street	Building Permit	Install rear yard patio @ SFR.	07/22/15	compliant
6	2419 Lincoln Street	Building Permit	Replace existing front sidewalk @ SFR.	07/21/15	compliant
6	2512 Park Place	Building Permit	Interior remodeling to basement @ SFR.	07/22/15	compliant
6	2645 Lawndale Avenue	Building Permit	Construct 2nd floor addition @ SFR.	07/20/15	compliant
6	3330 Central Street	Building Permit	Interior/exterior remodeling (Starbucks)	02/12/15	pending Special Use
7	1620 Central Street	Building Permit	Construct new 4-story, 47 DU multifamily residence with 54 parking spaces	07/21/15	pending staff review
8	1209 Hull Terrace	Building Permit	Interior remodel to existing 2-fam. residence.	07/23/15	compliant
9	1406 Cleveland Street	Building Permit	Construct rear yard deck @ SFR.	07/23/15	compliant

Miscellaneous Zoning Cases

Ward	Property Address	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
2	1804 Washington Street	Zoning Complaint	Automobile repair establishment in residential district	09/16/14	Drive-by insp. ongoing
2	1325 Dodge Avenue	Minor Variance	Rear yard setback, construct 2-car det. garage	06/01/15	determination after 06/15/15
2	1402-1408 Brown Ave	Map Amendment	Rezoning from R2 to R4	06/12/15	P&D 07/27/15
2	1414 Pitner Avenue	Zoning Complaint	Illegal trade contractor business in R2 District	06/17/15	Viol. letter mailed. Re-inspection pending
2	1700 Maple Avenue	Special Use	Type 2 Restaurant - <i>Red Robin Burger Works</i>	06/05/15	P&D 07/27/15
2	1718 Madison Street	Minor Variance	Street side yard for an addition and enclosed porch	07/15/15	determination after 7/29
4	1126 Elmwood Avenue	Minor Variance	Side yard setbacks for a detached garage at SFR	07/07/15	pending staff review
4	1815 Cleveland Street	Zoning Complaint	Illegal auto-repair business in R2 District.	06/18/15	Viol. letter mailed. Re-inspection pending
5	1115 Emerson Street	Substitution of Special Use	Type 2 Restaurant - <i>Pizza Hut</i> (previously <i>Wings Over Evanston</i>)	07/10/15	determination after 08/04/15
5	2002 Darrow Avenue	Zoning Complaint	Auto repair establishment in res. district	06/25/15	2nd viol. Letter mailed week of 7/27/15
6	2044 Ewing Avenue	Minor Variance	Street side yard and rear yard setbacks for an attached garage	07/08/15	pending staff review
6	2327 Park Place	Appeal	Appeal of Zoning Administrator's determination that decks count toward impervious surface calculation.	06/04/15	ZBA 08/04/15
6	2614 Isabella Street	Minor Variance	Interior side yard setback for a second story addition	07/08/15	pending staff review
6	2812-2814 Central Street	Special Use	Child Daycare - <i>Little Green Tree House</i>	04/28/15	P&D 08/17/15
6	2206 Grant Street	Minor Variance	Building lot coverage, side yard setbacks to construct 2-story addition, 2-car det. garage	07/15/15	determination after 8/6
6	2614 Isabella Street	Minor Variance	Side yard setback to construct 2nd story addition.	07/15/15	determination after 7/29
6	2044 Ewing Avenue	Minor Variance	Rear yard setback for a 2-car detached garage	07/15/15	determination after 7/30
9	609 South Boulevard	Major Variance	Number of dwelling units, # of parking spaces and parking aisle width, for conversion of warehouse to 16 condo DUs	06/25/15	P&D 08/17/15



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Mark Muenzer, Director of Community Development
Gary Gerdes, Building and Inspection Services Manager

Subject: Weekly Inspection Report

Date: July 24, 2015

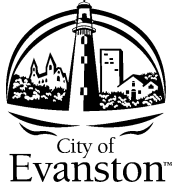
Enclosed is the weekly summary report of field inspections under special monitoring. The report, organized by ward, includes the property address, the type of inspection, inspector notes, date received and current status.

Please contact me at 847-448-8030 or ggerdes@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Inspector Weekly Update
Cases Received, July 24, 2015

Field Reports

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
1	1515 Chicago Avenue (Hyatt House)	New Hotel	All fences and sidewalks are in good condition. Catch basins are clean. All decks are complete and a slush coat is on deck number 6. Rough plumbing and electric has begun.	7/21/15
1	1619 Chicago Avenue (The Merion)	Residential Addition	Streets, sidewalks and fences are in good condition. The catch basin is clean. Form installation for third deck pour is underway.	7/21/15
1	711 Colfax Street (Kendall Place)	New Residential Building (SFRs)	Contacted GC to maintain the fences and keep grass and weeds cut at base of fence. Sidewalks are in good condition and soil erosion reports are current.	7/21/15
3	835 Chicago Avenue (9-story mixed-used)	Foundation	Streets, fences and sidewalks are in good condition. Work on the foundation is under way.	7/21/15
3	425 Dempster Street (Chiaravalle Montessori School)	Commercial Addition	Construction fencing has been removed and the area has been landscaped and seeded. The flat work is completed at the exterior stairway on the western exposure. Work continues with the connection openings. Interior rooms and hallways are finished.	7/21/15
4	1026 Davis Street (Taco Diablo/LuLu's)	Restaurant/Retail	The wind screens and fencing are in place and secure. The job site is kept clean. No construction debris in the right of way. At the time of inspection work was being done on the storm drain system. Work is moving forward on the foundation footings.	7/21/15
4	1029 - 1035 Davis Street	One Story Commercial	The wind screens, fencing and gates are in place and no construction debris was in the public right of way. The exterior wall along the east side of the building is complete and framing work continues on the remaining walls. Work on the exterior wall on the north elevation has started. Portable scaffolds are present and a right of way permit has been issued.	7/21/15
4	1560 Oak Avenue (Museum of Time and Glass)	New Commercial Building	The exterior job site is being maintained. Windscreens and fencing are in place and secure. Right of way is clean. The walls and ceilings on the 1st and 2nd floor are painted and display cases are being installed. The 3rd, 4th and 5th floors have been partitioned and ready for electrical and drywall.	7/21/15
7	2211 Campus Drive (Kellogg Graduate School)	New Education Building	The fences and roads are in good condition with catch basins clean. Work on all four towers is active with structural and mechanical trades on site with full crews.	7/21/15
8	222 Hartrey Avenue (Autobarn)	Interior/Exterior Remodel	Fences and sidewalks are in good condition. Exterior Dryvit installation at west side of building is done. Interior removal of concrete for underground plumbing is under way with the concrete spoils piled at the south side of the property. Interior mechanicals are under way.	7/21/15



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Carl Caneva, Assistant Director Health and Human Services Department

Subject: Food Establishment Application Weekly Report

Date: July 24, 2015

There were no new applications for food establishments for the week of July 19, 2015

Please contact me at 847/859.7831 or ccaneva@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Theresa Whittington, Liquor Licensing Manager

Subject: Weekly Liquor License Application Report

Date: July 24, 2015

Enclosed is the weekly report of liquor applications received and pending. The report, organized by ward, includes the business address, the type and description of license requested, date received and current status.

Please contact me at (847) 448-8160 or twhittington@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

**Liquor Licensing Weekly Report
Liquor Applications Received and Pending**

WARD	BUSINESS NAME	BUSINESS ADDRESS	LIQUOR CLASS	CLASS DESCRIPTION	PROPOSED HOURS for LIQUOR SALES	DATE REC'D	STATUS¹
1	Hyatt House Evanston	1515 Chicago	D	Restaurant (Alcohol)	5pm – 10 pm (Mon – Fri) 12 pm – 10 pm (Sat-Sun)	5/14/15	Pending City Council Action
1	800 Degrees Pizzeria	812 Church	D	Restaurant (Alcohol)	11am – 1am (M-TH) 11am – 2am (Fri-Sat) Noon – 1am (Sun)	6/9/15	Pending City Council Action
4	La Principal	700 Main Street	D	Restaurant (Alcohol)	11am – Midnight Tues-Sun	5/13/15	Pending City Council Action

¹ Applicants are first noticed to the Liquor Licensing Review Board before proceeding to City Council



DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY BRIEFING

By NWMC Executive Director Mark L. Fowler



WEEK ENDING JULY 24, 2015

Mayor Tisdahl Provides Testimony on Governor's Pension Reform Proposal

Evanston Mayor (and past NWMC President) Elizabeth Tisdahl provided testimony to the House Personnel and Pension Committee during their July 21 hearing on Governor Rauner's proposed pension reform package. This hearing was conducted specifically to discuss the public safety pension elements of the Governor's proposal. The Governor's proposal includes a shift for Tier 1 employees to either a reduced annual cost of living adjustment or the loss of ability to count future salary increases toward their final pension; creation of a Tier 3 pension level for new employees that would be a hybrid defined benefit/defined contribution pension; a fifteen year extension of the deadline to meet the 90% funding requirement; defining catastrophic injury in the Public Safety Employee Benefit Act (PSEBA); consolidation of the individual pension fund assets into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund for investment purposes; redefining what is allowed under collective bargaining; and, allowing for municipalities to declare bankruptcy.

Mayor Tisdahl highlighted the extraordinary effort Evanston has undertaken to address their pension funding situation. This effort included exceeding the required actuarially required contributions into their funds by \$16 million over the past four years, which increased the funding levels from approximately 40% to 50% funded.

On behalf of the Pension Fairness for Illinois Communities Coalition, Mayor Tisdahl stated support for the consolidation of the pension funds but noted that additional economies of scale could be achieved by pursuing a more extensive consolidation of operations; that many communities could benefit from the extension of the funding deadline but that it could raise issues with accounting best practices; and, support for clarifying the PSEBA catastrophic injury definition. She also noted that since neither the Tier 1 change or the proposed Tier 3 benefit have been actuarially tested that it was impossible to offer an informed opinion as to the extent of any taxpayer relief these may produce. Mayor Tisdahl reiterated the Pension Fairness Coalition's desire to work on solutions that provide retirement security for public safety personnel while reducing the burden on taxpayers. Mayor Tisdahl was assisted by *Evanston City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz* and *NWMC Deputy Director Larry Bury* in responding to committee member questions.

It is unclear at this point if the proposed changes will be formally introduced for full legislative consideration. The Conference thanks Mayor Tisdahl and Mr. Bobkiewicz for representing our communities during the hearing. *Staff contacts: Larry Bury, Chris Staron*

Property Tax Freeze Remains Part of Springfield Conversation

Last week, the Illinois Senate considered the latest in a growing list of property tax freeze proposals. Senate Bill 316, sponsored by Senate President Cullerton, fell just short of the three-fifths majority necessary for approval. Senate Republicans voted present on the bill noting the absence of collective bargaining and prevailing wage reforms as pushed by Governor Rauner. In a press conference on Wednesday, Senator Cullerton indicated that he plans to again bring a property tax freeze for a vote in the Senate.

As amended, Senate Bill 316 would freeze the property tax extensions for levy years 2016-2017 for local governments outside Cook County and 2017-2018 in Cook County unless a higher extension is approved via referendum. The amendment would make all taxing districts, including home rule units of local government, subject to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL) and set the extension limitation at zero percent in the years specified above. The bill did include an exemption from the limit for public safety purposes. Additionally, the bill contained provisions for school funding reform and pension funding provisions for the Chicago Public Schools.

Governor Rauner has been advocating for a property tax freeze since before he was elected, and it has been a major component of his Turnaround Agenda. Republicans, who have voiced support for a property tax freeze, have voted present on various property tax freeze bills in both the House and the Senate arguing that that these bills have failed to address the local control issues of collective bargaining and prevailing wage.

The NWMC continues to remain opposed to any property tax freeze due to it taking revenue options out of the hands of those officials elected by local voters to make these decisions on behalf of their communities. We will provide additional information as further property tax legislation is considered. *Staff contacts: Larry Bury, Chris Staron*

Reminder: RSVP for Northwest Council STP Workshop

The Northwest Council of Mayors is kicking off a call for new Surface Transportation Program (STP) projects by hosting a workshop focused on the Council's new revised methodology and project application. The workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, July 29 from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. in Room 1604 of Oakton Community College, 1600 East Golf Road in Des Plaines. The revised methodology and project application will be posted on the council's website on July 27. New project applications will be due on August 28th. Staff from IDOT will also be at the workshop to review the federal project approval process. The workshop is open to all Northwest Council of Mayors elected officials, staff and consultants. RSVP to Mike Walczak at mwalczak@nwmc-cog.org.

Staff contact: Mike Walczak

NWMC Fall Auction to be Held Tuesday, October 27

The Northwest Municipal Conference and America's Auto Auction Chicago are pleased to announce the fall NWMC live surplus vehicle and equipment auction will be held on Tuesday, October 27 at 1:00 p.m. at America's Auto Auction Chicago, 14001 S. Karlov Avenue in Crestwood. The NWMC/America's Auto Auction partnership offers several methods for disposing of surplus vehicles and equipment that save NWMC members time and money.

The live NWMC auctions are held on a semi-annual basis at America's Auto Auction's 40-acre, state-of-the-art facility and provides full access to their existing dealer network, the general public and online/simulcast bidders. America's Auto Auction General Sales Manager Fred Uhter will be contacting NWMC members to discuss their programs in detail. Please visit <http://americasautoauction.com/files/index.aspx> for more information on America's Auto Auction services.

Advantages to participating in the live NWMC auction at America's Auto Auction include:

- Transportation of vehicles to America's Auto Auction at any time, 24/7 – no need to store your vehicles until the day prior to the NWMC auction. ***NO INCREASE IN TRANSPORTATION FEES FOR FALL!***
- America's Auto Auction will provide all drivers on auction day (except for some specialty vehicles); therefore, NWMC members will not incur overtime costs for staff to work at the NWMC Auctions.
- America's Auto Auction can arrange to transport vehicles through third party providers at a lower cost (sample pricing attached) than having NWMC members pull employees off the job site.
- America's Auto Auction offers a variety of additional services designed to maximize resale value including vehicle condition reports, reconditioning/repair services, dent removal, window replacement, washing, etc.
- Auction Guarantee: For a \$25.00 fee, America's Auto Auction mechanics will inspect and certify your vehicle and determine if the vehicle can be Auction Guaranteed. The designation will help increase the selling price of the vehicle by ensuring a higher level of confidence. Only vehicles that will be sold for \$1,500 or more are eligible for this Auction Guarantee. This practice is especially popular with Internet buyers since it guarantees that the engine and transmission are in good working condition. The Auction Guarantee covers non-standard engine noise, slow shift or transmission slip. Auction Guarantee also checks for frame damage on vehicles with selling prices of over \$4,000. The

Auction Guarantee is effective until 5:00 p.m. the day of the transaction or until the vehicle is driven outside the auction gates, whichever is first.

- Pre-sale inventory listings on <http://americasautoauction.com/files/index.aspx> are viewed by thousands of potential purchasers.

The agreement also provides for year-round Internet auctions, allowing NWMC members to remarket vehicles and equipment quickly and easily to America's Auto Auction extensive network of buyers. America's Auto Auction uses several Internet platforms to list the vehicles, including OVE, Smart Auction, Craig's List and Open Lane.

For questions or more information, please contact Fred Uhter at 773-294-7213 (cell), 708-389-4488 (office) or Fred.Uhter@americasautoauction.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

SPC Sewer Cleaner Trucks Granted Final Contract Extension Through July 8, 2016

The SPC Governing Board has approved final contract extensions with Standard Equipment as primary vendor and EJ Equipment as alternate vendor for Sewer Truck Cleaner Contract through July 8, 2016.

Contract #128

10 Yard Fan Catch Basin/Sewer Cleaner with Auxiliary Engine
Standard Equipment Vactor 2110 Plus base price: \$271,035.00
EJ Equipment Vac-Con base price: \$271,984.00

Contract #127

12 Yard Fan Catch Basin/Sewer Cleaner with Auxiliary Engine
Standard Equipment Vactor 2112 Plus base price: \$287,182.00
EJ Equipment Vac-Con base price: \$294,073.00

For questions or additional information, please contact Standard Equipment Sales Manager Tom Markel at 312-706-9675 or tmarkel@standardequipment.com and EJ Equipment Regional Sales Manager Eric Lasage at 815-370-3549 or eric@ejequipment.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

SPC Extends 2016 Chevy Tahoe Police Pursuit Vehicle Contract with Price Increase

The SPC Governing Board has approved the first of three (3) possible one-year contract extensions on the 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe Patrol Package (Contract #147) with Currie Motors Chevrolet in Forest Park. The extension runs through April 10, 2016. General Motors has increased the 2016 base price of the Chevy Tahoe, which has been extremely popular with SPC members, by \$5,325.49, from \$27,608.00 to \$32,933.49. General Motors had two price increases on the Chevy Tahoe that the SPC was able to bypass during first year of the award due to the 12-month pricing guarantee in the terms of our contract. The 2016 increase is based on three factors:

2016 base price increase over 2015:	\$1,464.49
Municipal Fleet bid assistance reduced from \$8,500 to \$5,200:	\$3,300.00
Changes in GM retail warranty reduction and retention of current warranty coverage for 2016 Municipal Fleet customers:	<u>\$ 571.00</u>
	\$5,325.49 (19% increase)

Over half of the increase comes from General Motors' reduced Municipal Fleet bid assistance. For questions or additional information, please contact Currie Fleet Manager Tom Sullivan at 815-464-9200 or Currie.Fleet@gmail.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Ford Extends 2015 Taurus Factory Order Cutoff Date

Bredemann Ford has notified the SPC that Ford Motor Company has announced that the factory order cutoff date on 2015 SPC Taurus SE (Contract #125A) is October 2, 2015, which is far beyond their originally announced date, and may change again since Ford has not announced 2016 model year pricing yet. For

questions or additional information, please contact Duey Schroeder, 847-510-5335 or dueyschroeder@bredemann.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Meetings and Events

The NWMC Bike/Ped Committee will meet on Tuesday, August 18 at 10:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices in Des Plaines.