



Memorandum

To: Mayor Tisdahl and Members of the City Council
From: Wally Bobkiewicz, City Manager
Subject: City Manager's Weekly Update
Date: Friday, March 25, 2016

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Weekly Report for March 18, 2016 –March 24, 2016

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Monday, March 28, 2016

City Council

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Planning & Development Committee

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Administration & Public Works Committee

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Wednesday, March 30, 2016

Design and Project Review Committee

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Weekly Update

Below is a brief summary of activities in the 311 Center for the period of March 18, 2016 through March 24, 2016.

	CURRENT WEEK'S TOTALS	PREVIOUS WEEK'S TOTALS
CALLS HANDLED	2466	2748
SERVICE REQUESTS	711	628
TOTAL CHATS	42	50
TOTAL TEXT	22	22

Top 5 Service Requests

Total

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

1. Building Permit Inspections	100
2. Trash – Special Pick-up	80
3. Broken Parking Meter	23
4. Fire Prevention – Inspection Commercial Property	19
5. Trash – Accumulation	15

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	261
Administrative Services -Finance	29
Administrative Services -HR	48
Administrative Services - Other	262
City Manager's Office	26
ComDev / Economic Development	6
ComDev/ Bldg Inspections	299
ComDev / Housing Rehab	1
ComDev / Planning/Zoning	36
General Assistance	4
Fire Life Safety	39
PublicStuff Request	179
Health	118
Information	516
Law	15
Library	3
Mayor's Office	14
Other/311	68
Other – Social Services	5
Parks – Maintenance	1
Parks – Programs/Picnics/Permits	3
Parks – Other	12
Parks/Recreation	34
Parks – Forestry	18
Parks- Recreation Programs	10
Police	92
Public Works / Fleet	0
Public Works / Street Sanitation	121
Public Works / Engineering	37
Tax Assessment Office	138
Utilities – Power	0
Utilities – Sewer	4
Utilities – Water	67
TOTAL	2466



Memorandum

To: Wally Bobkiewicz, City Manager

From: Martin Lyons, Assistant City Manager/ Chief Financial Officer
 Ashley King, Finance and Budget Manager
 Tammi Turner, Purchasing Manager

Subject: Bids/RFPs/RFQs Advertised during the Week of March 21, 2016

Date: March 25, 2016

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

Bids/RFPs/RFQs advertised during the Week of March 21, 2016

Bid/RFP/RFQ Number and Title	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budgeted Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
Bid 16-11 Aerial Bucket Truck	Administrative Services/ Fleet	Work on this project includes: The building to specifications and delivery of an Aerial Lift Bucket Truck to be used by the City's Environmental Services Bureau for the trimming of trees at varying heights.	\$180,000	Apr 12	May 9

Evanston City Council Agenda Schedule - 2016

(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
Mayor	4/11/2016	Keys to the City: Great Harvest and Dave's Italian Kitchen	P	CC	Francellno	
Mayor	4/11/2016	April Fair Housing Month	PR	CC	Muenzer	
Mayor	4/11/2016	National Library Week Apr 10-16	PR	CC	Danczak Lyons	
Mayor	4/11/2016	National Volunteer Week Apr 10-16	PR	CC	Bobkiewicz	
CMO	4/11/2016	Clean Up Evanston Event: Apr 23	A	CC	Bobkiewicz	
CMO	4/11/2016	Liberia Sister City	P	CC	Bobkiewicz	
Health	4/11/2016	Rodent Control Report	P	CC	Thomas-smith	
CD	4/11/2016	1012 Lake St. Appeal of COA denial	B	CC	Muenzer	
Admin Services	4/11/2016	Website Contract	B	APW	Storlie	
PRCS	4/11/2016	Lakefront Concessions	B	APW	Hemingway	
PWA	4/11/2016	Water Plant Roof & Masonry	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	4/11/2016	Parking Lot Engineering Services	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	4/11/2016	2016 Water Main Replacement	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	4/11/2016	Construction Engr and Surveying Services	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	4/11/2016	Concrete purchase	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	4/11/2016	Asphalt purchase	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	4/11/2016	Central Street Bridge Engr Svcs	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	4/11/2016	Emerson-Ridge-Green Bay Construction	B	APW	Stoneback	
CD	4/11/2016	Red Robin Sidewalk Café	B	APW	Muenzer	
CMO	4/11/2016	GO Bond Reimbursement	R	APW	Lyons	
CD	4/11/2016	Blight Reduction Program	R	APW	Muenzer	
Admin Services	4/11/2016	ROW Agreement -Wide Open West	R	APW	Storlie	
PWA	4/11/2016	Special Pick-Up Fee	O	APW	Stoneback	Introduction
PWA	4/11/2016	4-way stop Ashland & Grove	O	APW	Stoneback	Introduction
CMO	4/11/2016	Brummel Place/Shure Drive to Autobarn Drive	O	APW	Lyons	Introduction
Admin Services	4/11/2016	Resident Only Parking District Revisions (2)	O	APW	Storlie	Introduction
CD	4/11/2016	Ord 165-O-15: Impervious Surface Coverage Calculation	O	PD	Muenzer	Introduction: Held in Ctte 12.14.15
CMO	4/11/2016	Financial Assist. - Le Tour de Noir	B	CC	Bobkiewicz	
CMO	4/11/2016	Grant - West Village Business Association	B	CC	Bobkiewicz	
CMO	4/11/2016	Revisions to Storefront Modernization Program	B	CC	Bobkiewicz	
Admin Services	4/11/2016	Executive Session		CC	Lyons/Storlie	Workers Comp, RE
CD	4/18/2016	North Downtown Planning	Discussion	PD	Muenzer	Special Meeting 7pm??

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PRCA	4/18/2016	Robert Crown	Discussion	CC	Lyons	7:00 PM
PWA	4/25/2016	2016 Drinking Water Week May 1-7	PR	APW	Stoneback	6:00 PM
Mayor	4/25/2016	20th Anniversary of Ayla's Originals	PR	CC	Francellno	
PWA	4/25/2016	Penny Park	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	4/25/2016	Church Street Boat Ramp Phase 2 Engineering Services	B	APW	Stoneback	
PRCS	4/25/2016	Noyes Lease: Strawdog	B	APW	Hemingway	
PRCS	4/25/2016	Mudlark Theater	B	APW	Hemingway	
PRCS	4/25/2016	2016 Summer Food Program	B	APW	Hemingway	
Admin Services	4/25/2016	NU-Church Street Lease	R	APW	Storlie	
CD	4/25/2016	1815 Ridge/Oak	O	PD	Muenzer	Introduction
CD	4/25/2016	2020 Greenwood Street	O	PD	Muenzer	Introduction
Admin Services	5/9/2016	Public Service Recognition Week May 1-7	PR		Storlie	
CD	5/9/2016	May is National Preservation Month	PR		Muenzer	
Police	5/9/2016	National Police Week May 15-21	PR		Eddington	
PWA	5/9/2016	National Public Works Week May 15-21	PR		Stoneback	
CD	5/9/2016	2767 Crawford Ave./Driveway	O	PD	Muenzer	Introduction
CMO	5/9/2016	Investment Strategies	P	CC	Lyons	
CMO	5/9/2016	Equity & Inclusion	SPB	CC	Lyons	
Law	5/9/2016	Mobile Food Vendors	O	HS	Farrar	
CMO	5/16/2016	BCC	Discussion	Rules	Bobkiewicz	6:00 PM
CMO	5/16/2016	Aldermanic Referral: Neighborhood Fund	Discussion	CC	Lyons	7:00 PM
Law	5/16/2016	Neighborhood Integrity Ord revised	O	CC	Farrar	Held from Mar 14 CC meeting
CD	5/23/2016	1513 Greenleaf Street - Subdivision	O	PD	Muenzer	Introduction
CD	5/23/2016	1513 Greenleaf - Special Uses (2)	O	PD	Muenzer	Introduction
PRCS	5/23/2016	Handyman Contract	B	HS	Hemingway	
PRCS	5/23/2016	NU Parking on Golf Course	B	HS	Hemingway	
CMO	5/23/2016	Animal Stray Hold Policy	O	HS	Bobkiewicz	Introduction
PRCS	6/13/2016	Moran Center Rehabilitation Agreement	B	APW	Hemingway	

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Council & Committee Meetings

Mon, April 4	6:00 PM	Human Services Committee				
Thurs, Apr 7	7:00 PM	Housing & Homelessness Commission				
Mon, Apr 11	6:00 PM	A&PW, P&D, City Council meetings				
Wed, Apr 12	7:00 PM	Northwestern University/City Committee				
Mon, Apr 18	7:00 PM	City Council meeting				

DEFERRED

Dept	Date	Item	Action	Committee	Staff	Notes
CD		Sidewalk Cafes Administrative Revisions	O	PD	Muenzer	Introduction
CMO		Harley Clarke	SPB	CC	Bobkiewicz	CC Tabled 10.26.15
CMO		Fines for bikes on sidewalks	O	APW	Bobkiewicz	
Utilities		Computerized Maintenance Management System	B	APW	Stoneback	
CMO		D202 IGA: Safe School Zone	R	HS	Bobkiewicz	
Admin Serv		Increase Parking Garage Monthly Permit Fee	B	APW	Voss	
Admin Serv		Amendment to PEHP Resolution	R	APW	Lyons	
Law		Ord 27-O-12 Cell Phone Ban	O	HS	Grover/Farrar	
Law		Title 9 City Code Amendments	O	CC	Farrar	(Introduced 1.27.14)
Law		Pedicabs	O	APW	Farrar	Tabled 3.9.15 (revisit 2016)
Admin Serv		Credit Card Analysis	D	APW	Lyons	
Law		Panhandling/Soliciting; limit residential hours to 4 pm	O	APW	Farrar	Intro 7/27/15; Held at 8/17 mtg
PWA		AVL Purchase	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA		Gibbs-Morrison Stormwater Impr – Consulting Svcs	B	APW	Stoneback	



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Damir Latinovic, Planning and Zoning Administrator

Subject: Weekly Zoning Report

Date: March 25, 2016

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, March 18 - March 24, 2016

Zoning Reviews

Ward	Property Address	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	1620 Judson Avenue	Zoning Analysis	Demolish existing rear porch and deck and construct a new enclosed porch and deck at SFR	03/10/16	pending additional info from the applicant
1	2237 Ridge Avenue	Building Permit	Replacing existing shed, same size, same location, @ SFR	03/22/16	compliant
3	1036 Lakeshore Boulevard	Building Permit	Repairs to existing and construction of a new rear stoop @ SFR	03/24/16	pending staff review
4	1571 Maple Avenue	Building Permit	Construct 12-story, 101 DU multifamily residence (Planned Development)	12/21/15	pending additional info from the applicant; DAPR approved 03/23/16
4	1603 Orrington Avenue	Building Permit	Install four (4) new pole lights @ Chase Bank Pavillion patio	01/14/16	pending DAPR review
4	630 Davis Street	Building Permit	Proposed exterior modifications to Chandler Building	01/14/16	DAPR 04/20/16
4	1006 Ridge Avenue	Building Permit	Various interior and exterior renovation to existing SFR	03/08/16	pending additional info from the applicant
4	812 Dempster Street	Building Permit	Interior Remodel (Hewn Bakery)	03/18/16	compliant
5	2331 Church Street	Building Permit Revisions	Demolish existing porch and build a new one-story addition	03/15/16	pending staff review
5	2200 Green Bay Road	Building Permit	Renovation of front façade (office building)	03/21/16	pending staff review
6	2422 Hastings Avenue	Building Permit	Construct rear yard paver patio	11/18/15	pending additional info from the applicant
6	2414 Hartzell Street	Building Permit	Construct 2nd story addition, front porch @ SFR.	02/17/16	pending add'l info from applicant
6	2500 Hartzell Street	Building Permit	Interior remodel with one-story addition at SFR	03/07/16	pending additional info from the applicant
6	3118 Isabella Street	Building Permit	Construction of a brick patio @ SFR	03/24/16	pending staff review
6	2716 Hartzell Street	Building Permit	New detached garage @ SFR	03/24/16	pending staff review
6	2524 Noyes Street	Building Permit	One story addition @ SFR	03/18/16	compliant
6	2515 Thayer Street	Building Permit	New detached garage @ SFR	03/18/16	non-compliant; pending minor variation application submittal
7	2430 Payne Street	Building Permit	Deck extension at SFR	03/17/16	pending staff review
7	2428 Payne Street	Building Permit	Renovation and restoration of existing coach house at SFR	02/18/16	compliant
7	1000 Central Street	Building Permit	Interior office renovation (NW Healthcare)	03/21/16	compliant
7	2740 Asbury Avenue	Building Permit	New detached garage @ SFR	03/18/16	pending additional info from the applicant
8	2330 Oakton Street	Zoning Analysis	Expansion of existing parking lot (Pace Bus).	01/19/16	pending DAPR review

9	735 South Blvd	Zoning Analysis	Second story addition to existing SFR	03/02/16	pending additional info from the applicant
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Miscellaneous Zoning Cases

Ward	Property Address	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	2102 Orrington Avenue	Minor (Fence) Variation	Install 6' fence along street side property line on corner lot at SFR	03/07/16	Pending Preservation Commission review
2	1223-1227 Dodge Avenue	Zoning Complaint	Illegal Trade Contractor (Landscaping) business	08/17/15	Case ongoing. Re-Inspection pending
2	1815 Ridge/1815 Oak Avenue	Planned Development and Rezoning	New 11-story independent and assisted living senior housing development with 165 units and 70 parking spaces	12/11/15	Plan Commission 04/06/16
2	1300 Ashland Avenue	Minor Variation	Street side and rear yard setbacks for a new detached garage	03/11/16	Determination after 3/25/16
2	2020 Greenwood Street	Major Variation	0' setback where 8' is required for outdoor storage units; elimination of 22 required parking spaces for a total of 10 parking spaces where 82 are required and 32 previously existed	03/02/16	ZBA 04/05/16
2	1727 Greenleaf Street	Minor (Fence) Variation	Install fence in front yard and street side yard on corner lot at SFR	03/04/16	Determination after 03/23/2016
2	1513 Greenleaf Street	Special Use	Construct new single family residence with detached garage in B1 Business District.	03/22/16	pending DAPR & ZBA 05/03/16
2	1515 Greenleaf Street	Special Use	Construct new single family residence with detached garage in B1 Business District.	03/22/16	pending DAPR & ZBA 05/03/16
2	1152 Ashland Avenue	Major Variation	Interior side yard setback for a second story addition that aligns with the first floor @ SFR	03/23/16	pending DAPR & ZBA 05/03/16
4	601 Davis Street	Planned Development, Rezoning and Special Use	New 26-Story, 221 unit mixed use development with 21,020 sq. ft. of commercial space	12/23/15	Pending additional info from the applicant
5	1924 Grey Avenue	Zoning Complaint	Illegal landscaping business	10/08/15	Case ongoing, Re-inspection pending
5	1927 Brown Avenue	Zoning Complaint	Illegal car repair business	02/04/16	Case ongoing, Re-inspection pending
5	2128 Asbury Avenue	Minor Variation	Side yard setback variation to construct 2nd story addition	02/11/16	Pending additional info from the applicant
6	2767 Crawford Avenue	Major Variation	Establish curb cut and driveway from street/front yard to an attached garage when alley access is present for a new SFR	03/10/16	ZBA 04/19/16
6	2626 Reese Avenue	Major Variation	Variations for street side yard, building lot coverage, impervious, interior side yard setback, fence for a new SFR with detached garage	03/24/16	DAPR 03/30/16 & ZBA 05/03/16
7	1423 Lincoln Street	Minor Variaton	Rear yard setback for a two-story additon @ SFR	03/15/16	determination after 04/01/2016
7	725 Roslyn Place	Minor Variation	Front and rear yard setbacks for one-story addition @ SFR	03/24/16	Pending staff review



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Gary Gerdes, Building and Inspection Services Manager

Subject: Weekly Inspection Report

Date: March 25, 2016

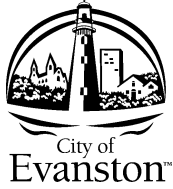
Enclosed is the weekly summary report of field inspections under special monitoring. The report, organized by ward, includes the property address, the type of inspection, inspector notes, date received and current status.

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, March 25, 2016

Field Reports

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
1	1515 Chicago Avenue (Hyatt House)	New Hotel	Job is nearing completion, outside landscaping is complete and right of way is open to the public. Common areas are progressing. Job site is clean, exterior work is finished and the building is secure.	3/23/2016
1	1619 Chicago Avenue (The Merion)	Residential Addition	Fences and sidewalks are in good condition with alley and catch basin clean. Streets are clear of mud and dust.	3/22/2016
1	711 Colfax Street (Kendall Place)	New Residential Building (SFRs)	Sidewalks and fences are in good condition. Soil erosion reports are current. Contractor was cited for right of way violations.	3/22/2016
3	835 Chicago Avenue (9-story mixed-used)	Foundation	Fences and sidewalks are in good condition. Catch basin is clean and streets are free of dirt and debris.	3/22/2016
4	1026 Davis Street (Taco Diablo/LuLu's)	Restaurant/Retail	Work continues on ground and first floor of the east hall. The EPDM roofing membrane is installed and HVAC roof top units are installed. Job site is being kept in order.	3/23/2016
4	1029 - 1035 Davis Street	One Story Commercial	No access was gained into the building. Appears to be no change from last inspection as viewed through door from the exterior. Drywall and electrical are being installed above the ceiling grid. Job site is being kept in order.	3/23/2016
4	1560 Oak Avenue (Museum of Time and Glass)	New Commercial Building	Drywall on the 4th floor is complete and display cases are being staged for assembly. Fixture installation has started in the bathrooms. Exterior is kept clean and in order. Interior work continues.	3/23/2016
7	1620 Central	New 47 Unit Apartment Building	Installation of surface water drainage system along north wall is finished and being backfilled. Crews are framing walls along the south side of the project. Public right of way is clean. Job site is well kept.	3/23/2016
7	2211 Campus Drive (Kellogg Graduate School)	New Education Building	Fences will soon be expanding to include the neighboring western parking aisle and trailers and storage containers have been moved to make way for the expanded fence. Site is well kept, windscreen has been reattached at the tennis courts neighboring the site to the east. The floating silt fence at the pond to the south has a void in the center of the span which will be repaired.	3/24/2016
7	560 Lincoln (NU Residence Hall)	New Dormitory	First floor deck has been poured and mechanical, electrical and plumbing sleeving is installed. Underground crews are installing large storm piping for retention. Job site is well kept and clean. Fences and silt fences are present and stand plumb. Catch basins are clean.	3/24/2016
8	222 Hartrey Avenue (Autobarn)	Interior/Exterior Remodel	Fences, street and sidewalks are in good condition. Site spoils stored at east parking areas.	3/22/2016



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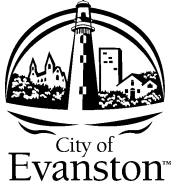
From: Carl Caneva, Assistant Director Health and Human Services Department

Subject: Food Establishment Application Weekly Report

Date: March 25, 2016

There were no new applications for food establishments for the week of March 20, 2016.

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: March 25, 2016

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	STATUS ¹
1	Old Dixie Café	825 Church Street	D	Restaurant (Alcohol)	TBD – 11 PM (Sun-Sat)	03/16/16	Pending Liquor Control Review Board Meeting
1	Hilton Orrington (ownership change)	1710 Orrington	C	Hotel/Restaurant (Alcohol)	11 am – 1 am (Sun-Thu); 11 am – 2 am (Fri-Sat)	12/11/15	Pending City Council Introduction & Action
1	Flat Top Grill (ownership change)	707 Church Street	D	Restaurant (Alcohol)	11 am-11 pm (Sun-Sat)	02/01/16	Pending City Council Introduction
3	Sketchbook Brewery (upgrade from P-1 to P-2)	825 Chicago Ave	P-2	Craft Brewery (w/ onsite consumption)	11am – 10pm (Mon-Thu) 11am-11pm (Fri-Sat) 12pm-10pm (Sun)	02/02/16	Pending City Council Introduction
4	The Funky Monk	618 ½ Church Street	D	Restaurant (Alcohol)	11am-9 pm (Sun – Sat)	02/08/16	Pending City Council Introduction
4	LuLu's-Taco Diablo	1026 Davis St	C	Hotel/Restaurant (Alcohol)	11am-10pm (Sun); 11 am –11pm (Mon-Thu); 11 am – 1 am (Fri-Sat)	02/10/16	Pending City Council Introduction

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 MARCH 25, 2016

Start Planning Now to Win the 2016 NWMC Communicopia Award!

One of the highlights of the 2015 NWMC Annual Gala was the presentation of the inaugural NWMC Communicopia Award to the *Village of Hoffman Estates*. To be considered for the award, NWMC members assembled gift baskets representing the best of their communities, with the winner as selected by the attendees receiving the NWMC Communicopia Award!

In preparation for the 2016 Gala, staff on Tuesday distributed the call for members to again submit gift baskets and compete for the Communicopia Award. The Gala will be held on Wednesday, June 22 at Meridian Banquets in *Rolling Meadows*. Highlights of the evening will be the inauguration of the NWMC officers for 2016-2017 and the presentation of the Communicopia Award. The deadline to submit baskets is Friday, June 10, so there is plenty of time to prepare your winning entry. Please contact Marina Durso, mdurso@nwmc-cog.org or 847-296-9200, ext. 122 with any questions or for additional information. *Staff contact: Marina Durso*

NWMC Local Government Communicators to Meet April 20

The next NWMC Local Government Communicators Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 20 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the new *Glenview Village Hall*, 2500 East Lake Street. The committee meets quarterly and serves as a forum to discuss communications best practices and related issues relevant to all NWMC members.

If you are interested in attending, please RSVP by Monday, April 18 to Chairperson and *Palatine Management Analyst Samantha Brunell*, sbrunell@palatine.il.us. Future committee meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, July 20 at the *Palatine Village Hall* and Wednesday, October 19 at the *Mount Prospect Village Hall*. *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Chris Staron*

Transportation Committee Discusses "On To 2050"

On Thursday, the NWMC Transportation Committee held a lively discussion on a vision of the long term priorities for the northeastern Illinois region. As the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) begins the development of the next regional comprehensive plan, named *On To 2050*, they are soliciting feedback from stakeholders throughout the region on what topics the plan should include. Topics discussed by the committee included: transportation investment (including eliminating conflicts between freight rail and the road network); developing more bikeable and walkable communities; housing challenges (including the development of multi-family and senior housing); competition for jobs and resources between the City of Chicago and suburban communities; and, the challenges and opportunities with service consolidation and intergovernmental cooperation. Thanks to CMAP Outreach Principal Jane Grover and Outreach Associate Andres Torres for moderating the discussion. The NWMC will hold another workshop for elected officials and municipal staff on March 30 (see article below). CMAP is also looking for communities and organizations to host additional workshops throughout the region. To learn more about the plan development or hosting a workshop, please visit <http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/onto2050>.

Staff also updated the committee on projects currently funded by CMAP's Local Technical Assistance program. Information on all past and ongoing LTA projects is available by visiting <http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/programs-and-resources/lta>. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 28, 8:30 a.m. at NWMC offices. *Staff contacts: Mike Walczak, Brian Pigeon*

RSVP for CMAP'S "On To 2050" Workshop

On Wednesday, March 30, the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) is conducting a workshop on the development of *On To 2050*, the next regional comprehensive plan. The workshop will be

held at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room on the 3rd floor of the *Arlington Heights Village Hall*, 33 S. Arlington Heights Road. CMAP staff will give an overview of the plan development process and schedule, solicit feedback from the participants on the biggest opportunities and challenges facing the region as well as hear big ideas to tackle the region's planning challenges by 2050. Elected officials and municipal staff are encouraged to attend.

The plan will build on its predecessor, Go To 2040, and the planning process will refine Go To 2040's main topics: Livable Communities; Human Capital; Efficient Governance; and, Regional Mobility. Public engagement will be ongoing over the course of the next two years with adoption of the new plan scheduled for late 2018. RSVP for the event to NWMC Transportation Director Mike Walczak, mwalczak@nwmc-cog.org. For more information, please visit www.cmap.illinois.gov/onto2050. *Staff contacts: Mike Walczak, Brian Pigeon*

Mayors Caucus to Convene Local Government ADA Coordinators

From the desk of Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Executive Director Dave Bennett:

Last year, the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus surveyed its members on Best Practices in Community Inclusion as a Partner Program for the ADA 25 Chicago initiative of the Chicago Community Trust. The Initiative marked the 25th anniversary of the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act becoming law.

More than 100 local governments, park districts, libraries, schools and other non-profit community organizations that collaborate on accessibility projects responded to the survey. Respondents expressed an interest in meeting to learn more - from experts and each other, and to serve as resource to each other in not only meeting the legal requirements of ADA but to fulfill the vision of full community inclusion.

I am pleased to inform you that the Mayors Caucus will convene the inaugural meeting of the Chicago Area's ADA Coordinators on Monday, April 4, 2016, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. It will be held at Access Living Chicago, 115 West Chicago Avenue, in downtown Chicago. We are excited to offer this opportunity and hope you will join us and extend the invitation to others in your municipality with an interest in community inclusion. Please RSVP to Dave Bennett, 312-201-4505 or dbennett@mayorscaucus.org by the close of business on Thursday, March 31. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

Apply Today for the Governor's Sustainability Award

Applications are now open for the 2016 Illinois Governor's Sustainability Awards (IGSA). Started in 1987, IGSA is the nation's longest standing state environmental award program through which "companies, municipalities and organizations are acknowledged for their efforts for minimizing their environmental impact and having positive economic and societal consequences for their sustainability actions. The Illinois Governor's Sustainability Award is an opportunity to be recognized as a leader in your sector for environmental efficiency and sustainable leadership."

Applications must be submitted online only and can be found by visiting the IGSA website, http://www.istc.illinois.edu/info/govs_awards.cfm. The deadline to apply is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 20. The 2016 awards ceremony will be held on Tuesday, November 1 at the Union League Club in Chicago. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

Meetings and Events

NWMC Executive Board will meet on Wednesday, April 6, at 8:30 a.m. via teleconference.

NWMC Finance Committee will meet on Wednesday, April 13, at noon at the NWMC offices

NWMC Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, April 13, at 7:00 p.m. at Oakton Community College, Room 1604 in *Des Plaines*.