



Memorandum

To: Mayor Hagerty and Members of the City Council
From: Wally Bobkiewicz, City Manager
Subject: City Manager's Weekly Update
Date: January 26, 2018

STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT



Weekly Report for January 18, 2018 – January 24, 2018

City Manager's Office
City Council Agenda Schedule

Community Development
Weekly Zoning Report
Weekly Inspection Report

Health Department
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PUBLIC NOTICES, AGENDAS & MINUTES

Monday, January 29, 2018

City Council

www.cityofevanston.org/citycouncil

Wednesday, January 31, 2018

Design and Project Review Committee - CANCELLED

www.cityofevanston.org/dapr

Liquor Control Review Board

www.cityofevanston.org/liquorboard

Economic Development Committee

www.cityofevanston.org/economicdev

Thursday, February 1, 2018

Commission on Aging

www.cityofevanston.org/commissiononaging

Housing and Homelessness Commission - CANCELLED

www.cityofevanston.org/housingcommission



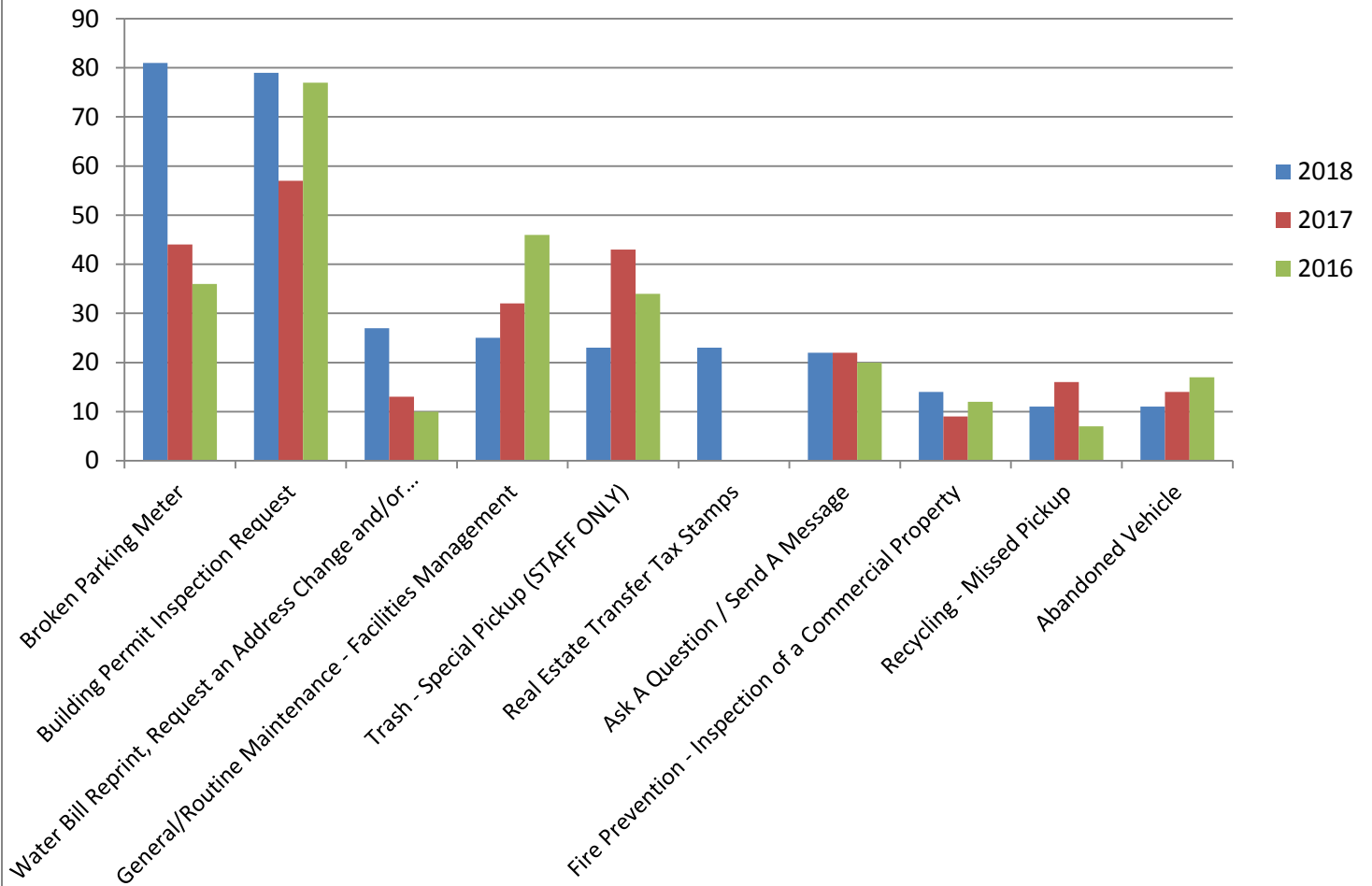
Weekly Report

January 18- 24, 2018

	Current Week	Previous Week
Calls Handled	2054	2082
Service Requests	545	457
Total Chats	20	24
Total Text	16	15

Trending Issues	Broken parking meters
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2016-2018 Comparison Chart





Weekly Report

January 18-24, 2018

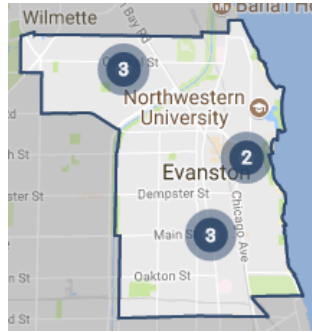
Missed Garbage Pickup

This week 8; Last week 6



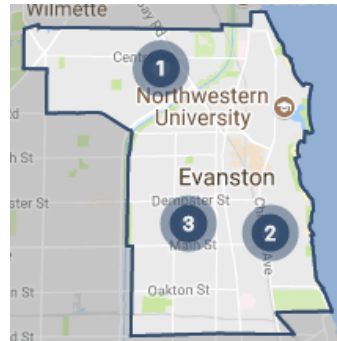
Missed Recycling Pickup

This week 8; Last week 4



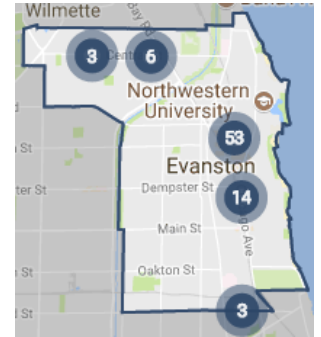
Rodents/Rats

This week 6; Last week 5



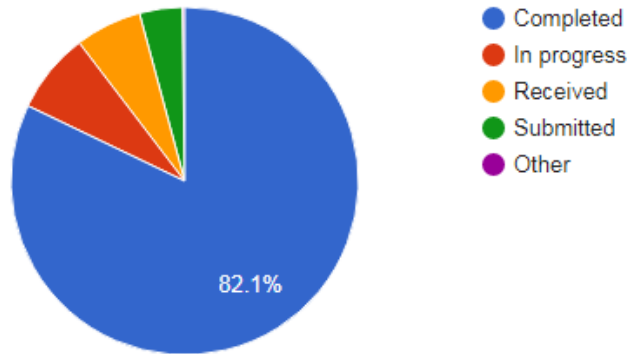
Broken Parking Meters

This week 81; Last week 53



SLA Analysis

Issue	# Late	% Late	% Complete within SLA
Advanced Disposal Complaint	1	100%	0%
Ask a Question/Send a Message	3	17%	83%
Broken Parking Meter	3	3%	97%
Fire - Commercial Inspection	5	45%	55%
Fire Prevention - NU	1	100%	0%
Health/Miscellaneous	1	100%	0%
Traffic Signal/Back Plate	2	67%	33%
Trash - Accumulation	1	33%	67%
Trash - Missed Garbage Pickup	3	38%	63%



Upcoming Events – January 29-February 4

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
29 6:00 PM City Council	30	31 11:00 AM Liquor Control Review Board 2:30 PM Design and Project Review Committee - CANCELED 7:00 PM Economic Development Committee	1 7:00 AM 3rd Ward Office Hours 11:00 AM Veteran Program and Luncheon 7:00 PM Housing and Homelessness Commission 7:00 PM Commission on Aging Meeting	2 1:30 PM Evanston Symphony Orchestra Lecture	3 8:00 AM Indoor Winter Market	4 2:30 PM Evanston Symphony Orchestra: Rodrigo Guitar Concerto

Evanston City Council Agenda Schedule - 2018 Dates

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

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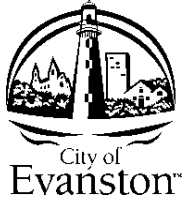
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DEPT	MEETING DATE	ITEMS	COUNCIL ACTION	COUNCIL or COMMITTEE	LEAD STAFF	NOTES
	2/5/2018	Human Services				
PWA	2/12/2018	Water Fund Update	SPB	CC	Stoneback	
PWA	2/12/2018	Ridge Ave Corridor Traffic Issues	SPB	CC	Stoneback	
CMO	2/12/2018	Inquiries Regarding Sidewalks	D	APW	Bobkiewicz	Moved from 1/22
Admn Svcs	2/12/2018	Cisco Network Switches	B	APW	Storlie	
Admn Svcs	2/12/2018	6 Month Fuel Purchase	B	APW	Storlie	
PWA	2/12/2018	Howard St Theatre - Award	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/12/2018	West Plant Filter Study	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/12/2018	Change Order 3 - Water Treatment Reliability Improvements	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/12/2018	Northstar Main Agreement	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/12/2018	Sewer Flow Monitoring	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/12/2018	Recycling Agmnt - Collection of Soft Recyclables	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/12/2018	MWRD User Charges	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/12/2018	Oxcart Agmt - Web Based Mgmt of Truck Permits	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/12/2018	Street Sweeping Changes	B	APW	Stoneback	
CMO	2/12/2018	Appointing King as Interim CFO	R	APW	Bobkiewicz	
PWA	2/12/2018	Permits for Oversized/Overweight Vehicles	O	APW	Stoneback	For Intro
Legal	2/12/2018	Amend Code - Include Civil Restitution	O	APW	Farrar	For Intro
CD	2/12/2018	Floodplain Ordinance Revisions	D	PD	Leonard	
CD	2/12/2018	Vacation Rental - 1827 Dobson	B	PD	Leonard	
CD	2/12/2018	1701 Main St - Zoning Relief for FAR and Open Parking for Robert Crown	O	PD	Leonard	For Intro
CD	2/12/2018	1233 Hartrey Ave - Special Use - Special Education Institution - Alternative ETHS Program	O	PD	Leonard	For Intro
CD	2/12/2018	1239 Asbury Ave - Zoning Relief - Subdivide religious institution and single family residence lot	O	PD	Leonard	For Intro
CD	2/12/2018	Special Use - 1723 Simpson - Rubie's	O	PD	Leonard	For Intro - held from 1/22
CD	2/12/2018	Special Use - 2014 Orrington - Lubavitch Chabad	O	PD	Leonard	For Action
CD	2/12/2018	Storefront Modernization Program	B	ED	Leonard	
Mayor	2/19/2018	FY 2018 Library Capital Program	SPB	CC	Bobkiewicz	
Police	2/19/2018	Use of Force/ Stop and Frisk	SPB	CC	Eddington	
CMO	2/19/2018	Robert Crown Finance Discussion	SPB	CC	Storlie	
CMO	2/19/2018	2019 Budget Kick Off	SPB	CC	Bobkiewicz	
Mayor	2/19/2018	Reappointment - Environ Board and Utilities Comm.	APP	CC	Francellino	

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Admn Svcs	2/26/2018	ParkEvanston App Incentives	D	APW	Storlie	
CMO	2/26/2018	4th Quarter OT Report	D	APW	Storlie	
CMO	2/26/2018	Criminal History Hiring Policy	B	APW	Bobkiewicz	
PWA	2/26/2018	Service Center Repairs	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/26/2018	Lovelace Pond	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/26/2018	Utility Bill Reimbursement Policy	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/26/2018	Fleetwood-Jourdain Interior Renovations - Designs for Dignity	B	APW	Stoneback	
PWA	2/26/2018	Robert Crown Construction Mgr	B	APW	Stoneback	
CMO	2/26/2018	MOU with FRCC/City / Library	B	APW	Storlie	
CMO	2/26/2018	Lease with ELHG - Harley Clarke	R	APW	Storlie	
Legal	2/26/2018	Finance Code Revisions	O	APW	Farrar	For Intro
Legal	2/26/2018	Public Works Agency Revisions	O	APW	Farrar	For Intro
Legal	2/26/2018	Business Licensing Code Clean-Up	O	APW	Farrar	For Intro
CD	2/26/2018	Public Benefits from Planned Developments	D	PD	Leonard	Moved from 1/22
CD	2/26/2018	Impact Fees from Planned Developments	D	PD	Leonard	Moved from 1/22
CD	2/26/2018	Vacation Rental - 710 Madison	B	PD	Leonard	Contd from 1-22-18
Legal	3/26/2018	Code Contractor Debarring Ordinance	O	APW	Farrar	For Intro
Council & Committee Meetings						
1/29/2018	7:00 PM	City Council - Affordable Housing				
1/31/2018	7:00 PM	Economic Development Committee				
2/1/2018	7:00 PM	Housing and Homelessness Commission - CANCELED				
2/5/2018	6:00 PM	Human Services				
2/7/2018	6:00 PM	Inclusionary Housing Subcommittee				
2/12/2018	6:00 PM	Administration & Public Works, Planning & Development, City Council				
DEFERRED	Date	Item	Action	Committee	Staff	
CD		Fines for bikes on sidewalks	O	APW	Bobkiewicz	
CMO		Amendment to PEHP Resolution	R	APW	Lyons	
Admin Serv		Title 9 City Code Amendments	O	CC	Farrar	(Introduced 1.27.14)
Law		Pedicabs	O	APW	Farrar	Tabled 3.9.15 (revisit 2016)

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Admin Serv		Panhandling/Soliciting; limit residential hours to 4 pm	O	APW	Farrar	Intro 7/27/15; Held at 8/17 mtg
Law		Animal Welfare Board	O	R	Bobkiewicz	(for 2017)



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Scott Mangum, Planning and Zoning Administrator
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report
Date: January 24, 2018

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 (847) 448-8675 or smangum@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Zoning Weekly Update

Cases Received and Pending, January 17, 2018 - January 23, 2018

Current Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 34

Zoning Reviews

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	1943 Sherman Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Convert SFR to 3-flat	07/26/17	non-compliant, pending revisions or major variation application
1	500 Davis Street	D1	Building Permit	Remove and replace concrete and pavers	10/19/17	pending DAPR
1	1714-1720 Chicago Avenue	R6	Zoning Analysis	New 11-story office building with 126 parking spaces (Planned Development)	11/14/17	non-compliant, pending revisions/additional information from the applicant
1	1620 Judson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Construct bay window, screened porch, and exterior stair	11/29/17	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
1	811-831 Emerson Street	C1	Building Permit	Foundation only for new 241 unit building (831 Emerson Planned Development)	12/01/17	pending staff review
1	115 Dempster Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	Remove walks, add new walks, pool, patio, outdoor kitchen and fence	12/13/17	pending staff review
2	2125 Dempster Street	I2	Building Permit	1-story addition to connect two buildings (U-Haul)	10/30/17	non-compliant, pending plat of subdivision and major variation applications
2	1727 Oak Avenue	D3	Zoning Analysis	Construct 17-story multifamily residents (for active adults) with 158 parking spaces (Planned Development)	11/08/17	non-complaint, pending revisions from the applicant
2	1324 Dewey Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Remodel 3 dwelling units, construct new deck (multi-family dwelling)	12/29/17	pending staff review
2	1710 Lake Street	R3	Building Permit	Interior remodel, install a/c	01/16/18	pending staff review
2	1615 Greenleaf Street	R3	Building Permit	Convert 2-flat to SFR, interior remodel, new deck, a/c relocation	01/16/18	pending staff review
3	935 Chicago Avenue	C1a	Building Permit	Repave parking lot, add landscaping (Chicago & Main Planned Development)	05/17/17	pending revisions from the applicant
3	1126 Judson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Open parking pad (single-family attached)	12/01/17	pending staff review
3	555 Michigan Avenue	R5	Zoning Analysis	Revised plan, demolish existing and construct new 3-unit condo building	12/08/17	pending additional information from the applicant
3	1031 Michigan Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Construct detached garage	12/11/17	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
3	1200 Judson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	New detached garage	12/12/17	pending additional information from the applicant
3	1228 Forest Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Install paver patio, masonry grill center, steppers and arbor	12/18/17	pending additional information from the applicant
3	117 Kedzie Street	R1	Building Permit	1-story addition and 2nd-story dormer addition	12/22/17	pending staff review
3	838 Hinman Avenue, Unit 2	R6	Building Permit	Closet remodel (multi-family dwelling)	01/18/18	pending staff review
3	496 Sheridan Road, Unit 2	R5	Building Permit	Interior remodel (multi-family dwelling)	01/19/18	pending staff review
3	522 Main Street	C1a	Building Permit	Tenant improvement (Athletico)	01/19/18	pending staff review
3	1015 Hinman Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Replace front porch, construct 2nd garage, replace railing and stairs at rear deck	01/19/18	pending staff review

4	1428 Wesley Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	2nd-story addition	12/18/17	pending staff review
4	1428 Crain Street	R3	Building Permit	Interior remodel, new rear deck and backstairs to basement	01/09/18	pending staff review
4	1225 Asbury Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Removal of rooftop greenhouse, construct new roof terrace and interior renovation	01/16/18	pending staff review
4	1028 Greenwood Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	1-story addition, rear porch and terrace	01/23/18	pending staff review
5	2035 Dodge Avenue	R3	Zoning Analysis	Construct new 2-flat	01/05/18	pending staff review
5	1829 Simpson Street	B1	Building Permit	Addition and interior remodel for a Type 2 restaurant (Lenny & Lambs)	01/10/18	pending DAPR
6	2321 Hastings Avenue	R1	Building Permit	New patio and pavers around house	08/04/17	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	2227 Lincolnwood Avenue	R1	Building Permit	2nd-floor addition, rebuild enclosed porch, new detached garage	12/18/17	pending revision from the applicant
6	3501 Central Street	R2	Building Permit	Renovation of a SFR	01/11/18	pending staff review
6	2714 Noyes Street	R1	Building Permit	1-story addition	01/18/18	pending staff review
7	1501 Central Street	U2	Building Permit	Renovate existing parking lot (NU - Ryan Field east parking lot)	06/30/17	non-compliant, pending revisions or major variation application
7	2124 Pioneer Road	R1	Building Permit	Concrete patio and rear stoop	07/27/17	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	2506 Green Bay Road	B1a	Building Permit	Modify ComEd substation and add fire wall	10/03/17	pending revisions from the applicant
7	1932 Central Street	B1a	Building Permit	Remodel windows (Bluestone Restaurant)	12/06/17	pending additional information from the applicant
7	801 Central Street	R1	Building Permit	Basement remodel	01/10/18	pending staff review
7	2676 Orrington Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Construct 1-story addition for attached garage and mudroom	01/16/18	pending staff review
7	2714 Sheridan Road	R1	Building Permit	Interior remodel	01/17/18	pending staff review
7	1201 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	Basement renovation	01/23/18	pending staff review
8	141 Dodge Avenue	R4	Zoning Analysis	2-story rear addition to existing 2-dwelling building	01/18/18	pending staff review
8	120 Dodge Avenue	R4	Building Permit	Addition (Dobson Plaza)	01/22/18	pending staff review and DAPR
9	620 Custer Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Patio redesign and new brick walk	09/29/17	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
9	1718 Cleveland Street	R2	Building Permit	Shed	10/06/17	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
9	1212 Monroe Street	R2	Building Permit	New 20x20 detached garage	11/17/17	non-compliant, pending minor variation application
9	1719 Seward Street	R2	Building Permit	Addition and covered porch	11/17/17	non-compliant, pending minor variation application
9	2211 Oakton Street	I1	Building Permit	Addition and interior remodel (Aldi)	12/15/17	pending staff review
9	1125 Monroe Street	R2	Building Permit	Repair/replace front and rear deck	12/19/17	non-compliant, pending revision from the applicant
9	1303 Washington Street	R3	Building Permit	Basement remodel	01/10/18	pending staff review
9	1719 Seward Street	R2	Zoning Analysis	2-story rear addition to existing SFR	01/10/18	pending staff review
9	1209 Oakton Street	R2	Building Permit	Replace rear stairs	01/18/18	pending staff review

Miscellaneous Zoning Cases

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	2014 Orrington Avenue	R1	Special Use/ Major Variation	Expansion of use of a Religious Institution, front yard setback and third story addition	02/17/17	pending CC 02/12/18
2	1233-35 Hartrey Avenue	I2	Special Use	Special use for a Special Educational Institution - Public for ETHS Alternative School	12/12/17	pending P&D 02/26/18 & CC 03/12/18
2	1503 Church Street	R1	Minor Variation	Building height for a new detached garage	01/17/18	pending public notice
4	1239 Asbury Avenue	R1	Major Variation	Building lot coverage, impervious surface coverage, parking setback in order to subdivide property into two lots (Beth Emet)	11/16/17	pending Preservation 02/13/18, DAPR 02/07/18, ZBA 02/20/18
4	1701 Main Street	OS	Major Variation	Number of parking spaces, drive aisle width, and FAR for new Robert Crown Center	11/29/17	pending DAPR 02/07/18, ZBA 02/20/18, P&D 02/26/18
5	1723 Simpson Street	B1	Special Use	Special use for a type-2 restaurant	12/05/17	pending P&D 02/12/18 & CC 02/26/18
6	3233-3249 Central Street	R4	Major Variation	Building lot coverage, impervious surface coverage, number of dwelling units, to construct a new 14-DU multiple family residence with detached garage	12/27/17	pending DAPR 02/07/18 & ZBA 02/20/18
8	1426 Mulford Street	R2	Fence Variation	Fence in the front yard	12/15/17	pending additional information from the applicant
9	1212 Monroe Street	R2	Minor Variation	Building lot coverage for a detached garage	12/12/17	determination after 01/30/18
9	1719 Seward Street	R2	Minor Variation	Street side yard setback for 2-story addition	12/29/17	determination after 02/01/18



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Gary Gerdes, Building and Inspection Services Manager

Subject: Weekly Inspection Report

Date: January 26, 2018

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.

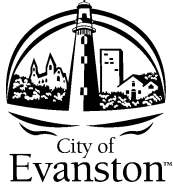
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Inspector Weekly Update

Cases Received, January 26, 2018

Field Reports

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
1	2350 Orrington Avenue (Kendall Place)	New Residential Building (SFRs)	Streets, sidewalks and alleys are in good condition. Parkway grass is maintained. Project is near completion. Work on remaining residential structure continues. Remaining subdivision site work delayed due to weather.	1/22/2018
1	811 Emerson (Focus Development)	Mixed Use Building	Demolition permit has been issued. Construction fence and contractor signage has been installed.	1/24/2018
2	1711 Church Street (Advanced Disposal)	Demolition/ Site Improvement	Construction fence and wind screen remain in place. Awaiting MWRD approval for issuance of sitework permit. Permit was issued for construction of retaining wall.	1/24/2018
5	824 - 828 Noyes (828 Lofts)	Mixed Use Building	Fences are in good condition and streets and alleys are kept clean. Sidewalks and barriers are in good condition. Framing work up to the fourth floor continues.	1/22/2018
7	2705 Ashland (Welsh-Ryan Arena)	New Athletic Arena	Interior buildout, plumbing, mechanical and electrical work on all three levels continue. The site is well-kept and all materials are neatly stored. Gate attendants are on duty to direct traffic for trucks entering and leaving the site. Tire washing is done when needed. Sunday work request has been approved for 1/28 and 2/4.	1/23/2018
7	2255 Campus (Ryan/Walter Athletic Center)	Lakeside Athletic Facility	Electrical and HVAC ductwork continue to move forward on floors 1-3. Interior framing work and installation of glass balcony stairway guards continue. Construction and soil erosion fencing are in place and plumb. Truck cleaning station is in place and functional. Temporary occupancy has been granted for athletic field and supporting spaces. Construction activity will continue on the remainder of the building.	1/24/2018
7	2145 Sheridan Rd (Tech A/B Infill)	Academic Facility	Fourth floor decking installation and deck shoring are in progress. Construction work is in the rough-in stages at this time. Construction fencing is plumb and screening material is in good condition.	1/24/2018



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To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Ike Ogbo, Acting Assistant Director Health and Human Services
Department

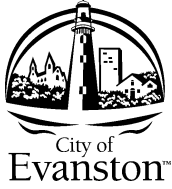
Subject: Food Establishment Application Weekly Report

Date: January 26, 2018

The table below is the weekly report of all applications for Food Establishments received during the week of January 21, 2018.

Please contact me at 847/448-8289 or iogbo@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Establishment Name	Address	Ward	Application Received on	Type	Proposed Opening Date
The Spice House	1941 Central St	7	1/22/2018	Food Establishment License - Change of Ownership	Open



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Theresa Whittington, Liquor Licensing Manager

Subject: Weekly Liquor License Application Report

Date: January 26, 2018

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	Target Store #3283	1616 Sherman	F	Grocery Store (Liquor)	M-F: 7am – 10PM; Sat: 8am – 11pm; Sun: 8am – 10pm	1/22/18	Pending Liquor Board Meeting
8	Good to Go	711 Howard Street	D	Restaurant (Liquor)	M-Th: 1am-1am; F-Sa: 11am-2am; Sun: 12pm-11pm	1/17/18	Pending Liquor Board Meeting

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 JANUARY 26, 2018

NWMC Auction a Success!

Preliminary results from Tuesday's NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction are in. Gross sales from the thirty-nine units totaled \$116,000, of which NWMC members accounted for \$44,000. As a comparison, our inaugural January auction held last year had total sales of \$56,775, with NWMC sales of \$29,900. Thank you to the ten participating municipalities: Aurora; Campton Hills; Carol Stream; Fox Lake; Kenilworth; Lincolnwood; North Aurora; Northbrook; Park Forest; and, West Dundee.

The other live auction dates for 2018 are: Tuesday, April 24; Tuesday, July 24; and, Tuesday, October 23. The NWMC agreement with America's Auto Auction also provides for year round Internet sales, so participants do not have to wait for one of the quarterly live sales in order to dispose of surplus vehicles and equipment. For questions or additional information, please contact staff or America's Auto Auction Commercial Account Manager Bruce Uhter, Bruce.Uhter@americasautoauction.com, 708-389-4488 (office) or 219-713-0327 (cell). *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

GM Announces SPC Chevrolet Tahoe Factory Order Cut-Off Date

The Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) had been informed by General Motors (GM) that the factory order cut-off date for the 2018 Chevrolet Tahoe (Contract #147) with Currie Motors is April 6. With no remaining contract extensions available for this vehicle, it will be rebid when GM releases 2019 model year specifications in mid-summer. For questions order additional information, please contact Currie Motors Municipal Sales Manager Tom Sullivan, 815-464-9200 or curriefleet@gmail.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Transportation Committee Hears Long Range Expressway Vision, STP Programming Update

The NWMC Transportation Committee met Thursday and received a presentation from Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) Senior Planner Tom Murtha on the Expressway Vision for Northeastern Illinois project. CMAP is developing the project with the Illinois Tollway and Illinois Department of Transportation to guide long-term investment in the expressway system, address challenging areas of congestion and provide new mass transit options. The project will recommend specific corridor improvements, develop strategies to handle traffic incident management and estimate potential revenue from tolling and value capture. Additional information can be found by visiting <http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/mobility/roads/expressway-vision>. In discussing the vision and potential outcomes of the project, the committee cautioned that any proposed changes must not negatively impact the local road network.

Staff also updated the committee on the January 24 meeting of the Surface Transportation Program (STP) Project Selection Committee. At the meeting, the group discussed potential active program management tools designed to more efficiently spend STP funds and streamline project timelines. The NWMC will work with our members and other regional councils to provide input to CMAP staff and the committee as the first draft of recommendations are being developed for the committee's March meeting. Finally, staff reported on topics from the January 16 NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee meeting, including the anticipated May start of the NWMC Multimodal Plan, the Federal Highway Administration's recent decision concerning Rapid Rectangular Flashing Beacons and recent Illinois court cases regarding municipal liability for off-street bike paths. *Staff contacts: Mike Walczak, Brian Pigeon*

Register Today for the 2018 Illinois Bike Summit

Registration is now open for the 2018 Illinois Bike Summit. The Summit, hosted by Ride Illinois will be held Monday, May 7 at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Bicycle advocates, planners, civil engineers, elected official and others are invited to join for a day of learning and networking. Session topics will range from bikeway design to advocacy and community engagement. Illinois Department of Transportation Secretary Randy Blankenhorn and Chicago Department of Transportation Commissioner Rebekah Scheinfeld will participate as keynote speakers. Please visit <http://rideillinois.org/events/2018-illinois-bike-summit/> for a full schedule and registration information. Please note that discounted early bird registration is available through Thursday, February 15. *Staff contacts: Mike Walczak, Brian Pigeon*

Metra Seeks Feedback on Fare Proposals

Metra will hold a series of public open houses next month to gather customer feedback about several potential changes to its fare structure and ticket options. Open houses in the NWMC area are as follows:

Monday, February 5
Crystal Lake City Hall
100 W. Woodstock St.
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 8
Arlington Heights Village Hall
33 S. Arlington Heights Rd.
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, February 13
Libertyville Village Hall
118 W. Cook Ave.
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Potential changes include: introducing a day pass for travel between any two zones on the Ventra app; discounting fares for non-rush hour trips; changing all Zone A stations except those in downtown Chicago to Zone B; consolidating Zones K, L and M into Zone J; capping fares for trips over 45 miles; changing the zones for some stations where nearby stations on a different line are in a different zone; and, gradually correcting inconsistent charges for each additional zone of travel. Additional study information can be found by visiting <https://metrarail.com/about-metra/newsroom/metra-seeking-feedback-fare-ideas>. The full list of recommendations and comment forms can be found by visiting www.surveymonkey.com/r/MetraFares. Comments can also be filed at metrafarestudy@metrarr.com. *Staff contacts: Mike Walczak, Brian Pigeon*

MMC Announces 2018 Public Sector Electric Energy Efficiency Grant Program

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

The Metropolitan Mayors Caucus is now providing the opportunity for municipalities, park districts, and libraries to save money and energy by taking advantage of financial incentives, facility assessments, and building optimization for your public sector facilities. To participate or learn more about the program, contact Brian Tomkins at btomkins@mayorscaucus.org or 312.201.4508.

The Metropolitan Mayors Caucus will provide guidance and technical assistance at no cost. This program is now offered in partnership with ComEd through December 31, 2018. Incentives up to \$300,000 are available, though most incentives range from \$2,000 to \$50,000 and are dependent on the expected electricity savings. Payback period for investment is usually between 1 and 5 years. Lighting upgrades, HVAC retrofits, VFDs, demand controlled ventilation, BAS upgrades, and other controls in public office buildings, garages, community centers, libraries, park districts and more are eligible.

Through the Public Sector Energy Efficiency Program, public agencies also have access to free technical assistance and project support from 360 Energy Group to recommend optimal improvements, complete technical reports, and bid specifications. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

Apply Today for Powering Safe Communities Grants

The Metropolitan Mayors Caucus has also teamed up with ComEd to offer the Powering Safe Communities grant program, which awards up to \$10,000 to “support municipal public safety initiatives throughout the ComEd region.” Please visit <http://mayorscaucus.org/initiatives/environment/psc/> to review the program details and access application information. The deadline to apply is Friday, March 16. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

IMET Announces Annual Meeting

The Illinois Metropolitan Investment Fund (IMET) will hold its annual meeting on Tuesday, March 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Harry Caray's restaurant at the Westin Hotel in Lombard. Please mark your calendars and additional information will be sent prior to the meeting. For questions, please contact IMET Executive Director Sofia Anastopoulos, sofia.ana@investimet.com or 630-571-0480, ext. 229. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

Registration Open for Illinois Governor's Conference on Affordable Housing

From the Desk of Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Director of Housing Initiatives Kyle Smith:

The Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) and Illinois Housing Council are co-hosting the 2018 Illinois Governor's Conference on Affordable Housing on February 21-22 at the Hyatt Regency in Chicago. This year's Conference features a "Mayors and Managers" track that will feature a number of panels focused on municipal housing issues, including land banking, vacant property issues and information on IHDA grant programs available for communities. Speakers, session information and registration can be found on the Conference website, www.ilgovernorsconference.org. *Staff contact: Brian Pigeon*

Meetings and Events

NWMC Legislative Brunch will be held on Saturday, January 27 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon at the Chicago Hilton Northbrook, 2855 N. Milwaukee Avenue in *Northbrook/Prospect Heights*.

NWMC Executive Board will meet on Wednesday, February 7 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices.

NWMC Finance Committee will meet on Wednesday, February 14 at 12 noon at the NWMC offices.

NWMC Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, February 14 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 1604 at Oakton Community College in *Des Plaines*.