



Memorandum

To: Mayor Hagerty and Members of the City Council
From: Erika Storlie, Interim City Manager
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update
Date: April 24, 2020

STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT



Weekly Report for April 16, 2020 – April 22, 2020
**There will be no 311 report this week*

City Manager's Office

Weekly Bids Advertised
City Council Agenda Schedule

Community Development

Weekly Zoning Report
Weekly Inspection Report

Health Department

Weekly Food Establishment Application Report

Law Department

Weekly Liquor License Application Report

Legislative Reading

NWMC Weekly Briefing

PUBLIC NOTICES, AGENDAS & MINUTES

Monday, April 27, 2020

Administration and Public Works Committee – CANCELLED

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Planning & Development Committee - CANCELLED

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City Council

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Wednesday, April 29, 2020

Design and Project Review Committee

www.cityofevanston.org/dapr

Plan Commission - CANCELLED

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Friday, May 1, 2020

Reparations Subcommittee - CANCELLED

<https://www.cityofevanston.org/reparationssubcommittee>



Memorandum

To: Erika Storlie, Interim City Manager

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

Subject: Bids/RFPs/RFQs Advertised during the Week of April 20, 2020

Date: April 24, 2020

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 April 20, 2020

Bid/RFP/RFQ Number and Title	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budgeted Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
Bid 20-09 2020 Alley Improvements Project	Public Works Agency	Work on this project includes the construction of a Portland cement concrete pavement alley or permeable paver alley with associated drainage, curb, apron, sidewalk, and other associated work for the alley north of Central Street and east of Ridge Avenue. Bidders must be prequalified by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and present an IDOT issued "Certificate of Eligibility" with the bid proposal.	\$1,460,000	5/19	6/8

Bid 20-31 Fitzsimmons Tennis Court Improvements	Public Works Agency	Work on this project includes the resurfacing and color coating of an existing tennis court in Fitzsimons Park.	\$1000,00	5/19	6/8
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City Council Agenda Schedule

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May 11

- Paulina Martínez:** Emergency Guidelines for Entrepreneurship Program
 - Department: CMO
 - Council Action: Bus
 - Council or Committee: APW
- Executive Session**
 - Council or Committee: CC
- Lawrence C. Hemingway:** Summer Bus Transportation
 - Department: Parks & Rec
 - Council Action: Bus
 - Council or Committee: CC
- Johanna Leonard:** Affordable Housing Fund Expenses
 - Department: Community Dev
 - Council Action: SPB
 - Council or Committee: CC
- Luke Stowe:** Sale of Surplus Vehicles
 - Department: Admin Serv
 - Council Action: Bus
 - Council or Committee: APW
- Kimberly Richardson:** Equity Update
 - Department: CMO
 - Council Action: SPB
 - Council or Committee: CC
- Sarah Flax:** Affordable Housing Fund Referral
 - Department: Community Dev
 - Council Action: SPB
 - Council or Committee: CC
- Luke Stowe:** Amend Parking on Oak from 12 to 4 hour limit
 - Department: Admin Serv
 - Council Action: Ord
 - Council or Committee: APW
- Luke Stowe:** Amend Parking on Davis to Short Term;
 - Department: Admin Serv
 - Council Action: Ord
 - Council or Committee: APW
- David Stoneback:** Approval of Contract Award of 50/50 Sidewalk Construction
 - Department: Public Works
 - Council Action: Bus
 - Council or Committee: APW

May 18 - Special Harley Clarke Meeting

- Tasheik Kerr:** Harley Clarke Discussion
 - Council or Committee: CC
 - Council Action: SPB
 - Department: CMO

May 26 **Hitesh Desai:** Amusement Tax Expansion

Department: CMO

Council Action: Disc

Council or Committee: CC

 Johanna Leonard: Ordinance 35-O-20 Ground Floor uses in the D2 District

Department: Community Dev

Council Action: Ord

Council or Committee: PD

Action: For Introduction

June 8 **Johanna Leonard:** Ordinance 25-O-20 Tree Preservation

Department: Community Dev

Council Action: Ord

Council or Committee: PD

Action: For Action

 Johanna Leonard: Ordinance 24-O-20 Sidewalks cleared of Snow, Ice, Dirt, Weeds

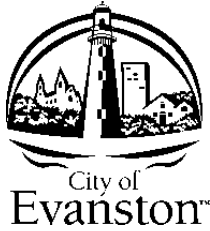
Department: Community Dev

Council Action: Ord

Council or Committee: APW

Action: For Action

June 22**July 13****July 27****August 10****September 14****September 28****October 12****October 26****November 9****November 23****December 14**



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Scott Mangum, Planning and Zoning Manager
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report
Date: April 22, 2020

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.

Cases Received and Pending, April 16, 2020 - April 22, 2020

Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 13

Volume (number of cases pending staff review): 4

Zoning Reviews

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	1900 Sherman Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	16-story addition to Jane R. Perlman apartments, remove 22 parking spaces, add 37 below-grade parking spaces, 168 mixed-income apartments (Planned Development)	08/29/19	pending revisions from the applicant
1	516 Church Street	R6	Building Permit	Interior remodel, replace exterior window and door	02/24/20	pending additional information from the applicant (Preservation)
2	1221 Fowler Avenue	R2	Building Permit	1st and 2nd story additions, deck	12/16/19	pending revisions from the applicant
2	1708 Lake Street	R3	Building Permit	Patio and pergola	04/03/20	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1906 Main Street	C1	Building Permit	Interior remodel (4 Suns Fresh Juice)	04/16/20	pending ZBA
3	1212 Lake Shore Boulevard	R1	Building Permit	Roof mounted solar panels	03/17/20	pending additional information from the applicant
3	1212 Judson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Roof mounted solar panels	04/03/20	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1125 Wesley Avenue	R3	Building Permit	1-story addition and 3-car detached garage	12/05/19	pending revisions from the applicant
4	1330 Ridge Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	New concrete walk, bike racks, concrete planters (Unitarian Church)	04/03/20	pending staff review
4	1629 Asbury Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Replace stairs and column	04/06/20	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1012-1014 Davis Street	D2	Building Permit	Exterior and interior renovation for Daycare Center - Child	04/07/20	pending additional information from the applicant, DAPR 04/29/20
4	630 Davis Street, Unit 301	D2	Building Permit	Tenant remodel	04/07/20	pending staff review
5	1825 Lemar Avenue, Unit C	R2	Building Permit	Patio and fence	09/24/19	non-compliant, fence variation application
5	1717 Simpson Street	B1	Building Permit	1-story addition over existing foundation	12/17/19	non-compliant, pending major variation application
5	2415 Wade Street	R2	Building Permit	Patio	01/09/20	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
5	1735 Hartrey Avenue	R3	Building Permit	2nd story addition	01/16/20	non-compliant, pending revisions or variation application from the applicant
6	2321 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	Extend existing patio, additional parking space, relocate fence, add gas line	10/16/19	non-compliant, pending minor variation application
6	3423 Central Street	R2	Building Permit	Brick paver walkway and patio enlargement	10/17/19	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2754 Crawford Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Replace sunroom with 1-story addition and bathroom remodel	10/25/19	non-compliant, pending revisions or major variation application from the applicant

6	2300 Pioneer Road	R4	Zoning Analysis	Planned Development: Demo Landmarked portion of building, construct 3-story, 209,000 sf addition with 83 units/beds, new independent living, adding 125 underground parking spaces (Three Crowns)	11/13/19	non-compliant, pending revisions and preservation submittal
6	2715 Hurd Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Demolish existing structures, construct new 2-story building for a child daycare (Planned Development)	01/22/20	pending revisions, additional information from the applicant
6	2801 Central Street	B1a/oCS C	Building Permit	Interior and exterior alterations	03/12/20	pending DAPR 04/29/20
6	3308 Harrison Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	2-story addition to rear of residence	03/27/20	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2410 Harrison Street	R1	Building Permit	Deck and pergola, replace concrete walk with pavers	04/09/20	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2433 Hastings Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Brick paver patio and walk	04/10/20	pending staff review
6	3115 Thayer Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	Demolish existing 1-1/2 story garage, construct new 1-1/2 story garage with attic studio	04/20/20	pending staff review
7	1724 Chancellor Street	R1	Building Permit	Installation of 10'x10' stone patio	10/10/19	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2640 Green Bay Road	C2	Building Permit	Demolish enclosed porch, construct new open porch, stairs and new parking pad	01/17/20	pending additional information from the applicant
7	719 Monticello Place	R1	Building Permit	Demolish existing 1-car garage, construct 2-car detached garage	01/30/20	pending digital resubmittal
7	2672 Green Bay Road	C2/oCS	Building Permit	Interior alteration for fitness studio (Total Sona Fitness)	02/07/20	pending special use application
7	2011 Noyes Street	R1	Building Permit	2-story addition, front porch, deck, and interior renovation	02/10/20	non-compliant, pending minor variation application from the applicant
7	2435 Jackson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Bay window, interior renovation	02/11/20	non-compliant, pending major variation application from the applicant
7	2225 Noyes Street	R1	Building Permit	New single-family residence	03/02/20	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1126 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	New single-family residence	03/05/20	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2145 Sheridan Road	U3	Building Permit	Interior renovation, converting 2 labs and an office into classroom (NU - Technological Institute)	03/18/20	pending digital re-submittal, staff review
7	1013 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	Roof mounted solar panels	04/03/20	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2742 Garrison Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition	04/07/20	pending additional information from the applicant
8	1907 Howard Street	C1	Building Permit	Interior remodel	03/24/20	pending additional information from the applicant
8	999-1015 Howard Street	B2	Building Permit	New 4-story, 60 dwelling unit multi-family residence with 58 parking spaces addition to CJE building, dwelling units for seniors (999-1015 Howard St. Planned Development)	03/26/20	pending revisions from the applicant
8	2131 Brummel Street	R2	Building Permit	Window well	04/13/20	pending additional information from the applicant
9	2425 Oakton Street	I1/oRD	Building Permit	New car wash	07/17/19	pending DAPR

9	646 Florence Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Convert 1-car attached garage into home office	11/07/19	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
9	1616 Main Street	R3	Building Permit	Addition to garage	02/24/20	pending additional information from the applicant
9	1613 Washington Street	R3	Building Permit	Paver patio installation	02/28/20	pending additional information from the applicant
9	1911 Keeney Street	R2	Building Permit	Detached garage, patio, and sidewalk	02/28/20	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant

Miscellaneous Zoning Cases

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	1621-1631 Chicago Avenue	D4	Planned Development	Planned Development for a 19-story mixed-use building with 240 dwelling units, 3,540 sf ground floor retail, and 85 underground parking spaces	12/31/18	pending PC 05/13/20
1	1619 Chicago Avenue	D4	Major Adjustment to a Planned Development	Subdivision of existing parcel and Major Adjustment of the Merion Planned Development (Ordinance 86-O-13)	06/10/19	pending PC 05/13/20
1	1607 Chicago Avenue	D4	Special Use	Special use for Type-2 restaurant, Happy Le	01/17/20	ZBA 05/19/20
2	1906 Main Street	C1	Special Use	Special use for Type-2 restaurant, 4 Suns Fresh Juice	04/16/20	ZBA 05/19/20
3	1327 Chicago Avenue/528 Greenwood Street	R5	Special Use	Special use for an office in a residential district	07/26/19	ZBA 05/19/20
3	548 Judson Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot coverage and impervious surface coverage for construction of new single-family detached residence	02/19/20	pending additional information from the applicant (determination after 03/10/20)
4	605 Davis Street	D3	Planned Development	New 19-story office building with ground floor retail, 40 parking spaces	04/24/19	pending CC 04/27/20
4	1555 Ridge Avenue	R6	Planned Development	New 5-story, multi-family dwelling with 68 dwelling units and 61 parking spaces	12/17/19	pending CC 04/27/20
5	1825 Lemar Avenue	R2	Fence Variation	Front yard fence	01/17/20	determination after 04/29/20
5	1717 Simpson Street	B1	Special Use	Expansion of a noncomplying use, addition to single-family dwelling in a B1 zoning district	02/26/20	ZBA 05/19/20
5	820 Gaffield Place	R4a	Special Use	Child Residential Care Home	03/02/20	pending ZBA
5	824 Gaffield Place	R4a	Special Use	Child Residential Care Home	03/02/20	pending ZBA
6	2643 Lincolnwood Drive	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot coverage for addition and new detached garage	04/08/20	determination after 04/30/20
6	2323 Central Park Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Separation between detached accessory structure and 2nd-story addition to single-family residence	04/15/20	determination after 05/06/20
7	2672 Green Bay Road	C2/oCSC	Special Use	Special use for a commercial indoor recreation establishment (Total Sona Fitness)	02/11/20	ZBA 05/19/20
7	2435 Jackson Avenue	R1	Major Variation	1-story rear addition	02/27/20	pending DAPR, ZBA
7	2011 Noyes Street	R1	Minor Variation	Setbacks for addition	03/02/20	pending additional information from the applicant (determination after 03/27/20)
8	2222 Oakton Street	I2	Special Use	Special use for commercial indoor recreation establishment (First Ascent - wall/rock climbing)	04/03/20	pending DAPR, ZBA



To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Gary Gerdes, Building and Inspection Services Manager

Subject: Weekly Inspection Report

Date: April 24, 2020

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.

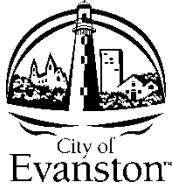
Please contact me at 847-448-8030 or ggerdes@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Inspector Weekly Update

Cases Received, April 24, 2020

Field Reports

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
4	1801 Main Street (Robert Crown)	Recreation Facility	Site concrete installation and site grading continue. Demolition activity continues on the old center. Punch list items are being completed in the new center. Site is being maintained.	4/22/2020
2	1727 Oak Avenue (Avidor)	Multi-Unit Building	Finishes on the upper floors and common areas are being completed and final inspections prior to occupancy are being performed. Streetscape installations are being completed. Site is being maintained.	4/22/2020
2	1815 Ridge Avenue	Senior Living Facility	Caisson work has been completed. Sheet piling is being installed. Street cleaning operations are in place and site is being maintained.	4/22/2020
2	1215 Church Street (YWCA)	Renovation of Existing Center/New Domestic Violence Shelter	Demolition of residential structure at 1730 Ridge has been completed. Temporary electric is ready for hook-up. Building permit has been issued. Site is being maintained.	4/22/2020



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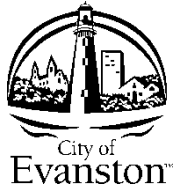
From: Ike Ogbo, Director, Department of Health & Human Services

Subject: Food Establishment License Application Weekly Report

Date: April 24, 2020

The table below is the weekly report of food establishment license applications received and pending. The report includes the ward, property address, business name, date received, and current status.

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
2	1906 Main St	4 Suns Fresh Juice	04/15/2020	Pending Permit Issuance & Inspections
4	1012-14 Davis St	Day Care Center	04/08/2020	Pending Permit Issuance & Inspections
7	2311 Campus Dr	The Protein Bar@NU	03/09/2020	Pending Inspections
2	1815 Ridge Ave	Solero Senior Living	03/03/2020	Pending Inspections
8	619 Howard St	Palmhouse 619	2/21/2020	Pending Inspections
8	633 Howard St	Estacion	2/4/2020	Pending Permit Issuance & Inspections
2	2434 Main St	Wingstop Restaurant	1/21/2020	Change of Ownership – Pending Inspections
7	1729 Central St	Hewn Bakery	11/14/2019	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
5	1723 Simpson St	Meals on Wheels	10/22/2019	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
2	1924 Dempster St	Kid’s Empire	10/17/2019	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
5	2121 Ashland Av	Double Clutch	2/13/2019	Building Permit Issued - Pending Inspections
5	1905 Church St	Spice	12/13/2018	Building Permit Issued - Pending Inspections
1	533 Davis St	Joy Yee Noodle	7/6/2015	Relocation – Pending Final Fire Inspection & CO



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Brian George, Assistant City Attorney

Subject: Weekly Liquor License Application Report

Date: April 24, 2020

There are no pending liquor license applications to report for this week.

Please contact me at (847) 866-2937 or bgeorge@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.



DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY BRIEFING

By NWMC Executive Director Mark L. Fowler



WEEK ENDING APRIL 24, 2020

#StayHomeSaveLives #AllInIllinois

Governor Extends Stay at Home Order Through May 30

On Thursday, Governor JB Pritzker announced the extension of the stay at home order through Saturday, May 30. During his daily press conference, he explained that data shows expected peak fatalities from COVID-19 in Illinois to occur in late April/early May, necessitating continuation of the order. “This is the part where we have to dig in,” he said. “We have to understand that the sacrifices that we have made as a state to avoid a worst case scenario are working and we need to keep going a little while longer to finish the job.”

Governor Pritzker outlined some “practical adjustments” to the extended order, which will take effect on Friday, May 1. Among the modifications is the resumption of elective medical procedures that were delayed due to the crisis. Others include: phased reopening of state parks; fishing, boating and golf under strict safety guidelines; identification of new “essential businesses” including greenhouses, garden centers, nurseries and animal grooming services; re-opening of non-essential businesses to fulfill telephone/online orders for delivery and outside pick-up; and, allowing educational institutions to establish procedures for pick-up of student belongings, supplies and dormitory move-outs.

Finally, the Governor’s new order includes a requirement for Illinois residents to use face coverings when in stores and other public places where social distancing measures cannot be maintained. Several NWMC municipalities have proactively implemented this measure, including *Buffalo Grove, Deerfield, Des Plaines, Evanston, Glencoe, Glenview, Highland Park, Morton Grove, Niles, Northbrook, Park Ridge, Skokie, Wilmette* and *Winnetka*. Please visit <https://www2.illinois.gov/Pages/news-item.aspx?ReleaseID=21459> to view the Governor’s press release announcing the order. *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

NWMC Here to Help Update

On Thursday evening, staff sent the eighth update in a series of NWMC member responses to the Business/Resident Assistance and Best Practices document created in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Four members provided new or updated information, including *Hanover Park, Lincolnshire, Lincolnwood* and *Wilmette*. To date, thirty NWMC members have contributed to the list.

In this week’s update, staff identified NWMC members who have adopted ordinances, directives or recommendations regarding the use of face coverings. As a reminder, a new section was added to the document last week – Event Cancellations. Staff will keep a rolling list of events that municipalities have cancelled, including the name of the event, the criteria used to determine the cancellation and the decision making authority (elected officials, staff, etc.). Please keep the responses coming in and staff will send periodic updates as significant member responses and updates are received.

On Wednesday, staff sent letters to NWMC area lawmakers regarding the organization’s priorities for the remainder of the spring legislative session and to county board chairs regarding property tax collection and disbursement concerns. Staff will continue to monitor federal, state and local COVID-19 news, conference calls and press conferences, and will share pertinent information as it becomes available. As always, please use NWMC staff as a resource and do not hesitate to contact us at any time. Stay safe and we stand ready to help in any way we can! *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

NWMC Employee Assistance Program Turns 30 – Last Call to Enroll

In 1990, the NWMC launched its Employee Assistance Program (EAP). The program is open to municipalities, townships, park districts and libraries and offers free, confidential referrals and assessment services twenty-four hours a day for employees and their families. Areas of assistance include dealing with issues such as substance abuse, mental health, family and marital problems, financial and legal matters. Currently, there are thirteen municipalities and organizations that participate in this program, which is provided by Morneau Shepell.

Enrollment information and participation forms were emailed to all members on April 1. The fee for program participation remains the same at \$23.50 per employee per year and the contract year begins Friday, May 1. If your community is not currently a member of the EAP program and would like to join or obtain additional information, please contact Karol Heneghan, 847-296-9200, ext. 124 or kheneghan@nwmc-cog.org. *Staff contact: Karol Heneghan*

Non-Medical Disposable 3-Ply Face Masks Available for Pre-Orders

The Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) is pleased to report that Warehouse Direct, the SPC vendor for Office and Janitorial Supplies (Contract #189) has a shipment of Non-Medical Disposable 3-Ply Face Masks available NOW for pre-orders. The product is expected to arrive in 2-3 weeks. Place orders for [AVT39149](#), Non-Medical Disposable 3-Ply Face Masks, \$64.95/box of 50 masks or \$2,251.60/carton of 40 boxes by calling your Warehouse Direct Account Manager. Special volume pricing may be available for large orders. There are currently no maximum quantities placed on the pre-orders, but masks are available while supplies last and Warehouse Direct may adjust order quantities based on availability. Please note that no returns are allowed on this item.

Information was emailed to the members on Tuesday. For questions or additional information, please contact staff or Spencer Touchie, stouchie@warehousedirect.com, 847-631-7188 (office), 708-473-2907 (cell) or Rick Schackle, rschackle@warehousedirect.com or 847-631-7428. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Ford Extends SPC Police Interceptor Utility Contract

Ford Motor Company has advised the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) that it has agreed to extend the 2021 Ford Police Interceptor Utility Vehicle (Contract #152) with Currie Motors of Frankfort through the end of the 2021 model year. For questions or additional information, please contact staff or Tom Sullivan, 815-464-9200 or CurrieFleet@gmail.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

NWMC Spring Auction a COVID Bright Spot – Thank You Wilmette!

The first NWMC all virtual Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction was successfully held on Tuesday, April 21 at America's Auto Auction in Crestwood. Thank you to Beecher, North Aurora, Wilmette and Yorkville for participating.

The summer auction will be held on July 21 and the fall date is set for October 20. In addition, America's Auto Auction hosts online sales on par with other government surplus Internet auctions, so members can sell vehicles at any time during the year. For questions or additional information, please contact staff or Berry Ellis, berry.ellis@americasautoauction.com or 312-371-5993. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee Talks Bike Safety Quiz

At the NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee's first virtual meeting on Tuesday, Ride Illinois Executive Director Dave Simmons presented a great overview of the organization's [Bike Safety Quiz](#), which is available to municipalities, police departments, and other groups to help educate bike riders and drivers of all ages. Mr. Simmons also provided information on Ride Illinois' efforts to address the COVID-19 pandemic. Committee members discussed new project updates as well as a revised timeline for a committee field trip to observe bike infrastructure in the region. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

Transportation Committee Reviews MPC Toward Universal Mobility Report

The NWMC Transportation Committee met virtually on Thursday and received a presentation from Metropolitan Planning Council (MPC) Director of Transportation Audrey Wennink and Transportation Associate Jeremy Glover. They provided a high-level overview of their report entitled [Toward Universal Mobility](#), released in December 2019. They also detailed ways that NWMC communities can partner with MPC to help provide access to transportation to individuals with disabilities in order to help them get around the region safely and conveniently.

Finally, the committee and agency partners discussed adjustments that the region and individual communities have had to make in the wake of impacts to transportation services resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

RSVP Today for Ride Illinois' Bike Implementation & Grants Webinar

Ride Illinois, the statewide non-profit organization specializing in advocating for bicycle access, safety, and education, has hosted a series of webinars in the past few weeks, the last of which will focus on local bike plans, implementation, and grants. The webinar will be held on Wednesday, April 29 at noon, and organizers are asking anyone planning to attend to please [register online](#). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

DCEO Hosting Rebuild Illinois Grant Opportunities Webinar

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) is hosting a webinar on Thursday, April 30 at 1:30 p.m. to discuss funding opportunities from the 2019 state capital bill that are currently open for applications. Three Rebuild Illinois programs will be discussed: Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; and, Shovel Ready Sites. The webinar is free, but registration is required. For more information and to register, please visit the [State's Webex portal](#) or contact Aly Grady, Alyson.grady2@illinois.gov. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

Apply Today for the RTA Access to Transit Program

The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) is accepting applications for its Access to Transit program through Friday, May 8. This program leverages RTA and local funds with federal funding to help implement recommendations from planning studies completed through the RTA's Community Planning program or the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning's Local Technical Assistance program. New this year, project sponsors can apply for funding to go toward Phase I engineering as well as micro mobility projects. For more information, please visit the [Access to Transit website](#) or contact Heather Mullins, mullinsh@rtachicago.org or Alex Devlin, devlina@rtachicago.org. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

Meetings and Events

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

NWMC Finance Committee will meet Wednesday, May 13 at noon via teleconference.

NWMC Board of Directors will meet Wednesday, May 13 at 7:00 p.m. via teleconference.

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