



# Memorandum

To: Mayor Hagerty and Members of the City Council  
From: Erika Storlie, City Manager  
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update  
Date: February 5, 2021

## STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT



Weekly Report for January 28, 2021 – February 3, 2021  
*\*There will be no 311 report this week*

### **City Manager's Office**

Weekly Bids Advertised

### **Community Development**

Weekly Zoning Report

Weekly Inspection Report

Monthly CV/Permit Fee Report – January 2021

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### **Legislative Reading**

NWMC Weekly Briefing

**PUBLIC NOTICES, AGENDAS & MINUTES**

**Monday, February 8, 2021**

Administration and Public Works Committee

[www.cityofevanston.org/apw](http://www.cityofevanston.org/apw)

Planning & Development Committee- CANCELED

[www.cityofevanston.org/pd](http://www.cityofevanston.org/pd)

City Council

[www.cityofevanston.org/citycouncil](http://www.cityofevanston.org/citycouncil)

**Tuesday, February 9, 2021**

Board of Local Improvements

[www.cityofevanston.org/boardofimprovements](http://www.cityofevanston.org/boardofimprovements)

Arts Council

[www.cityofevanston.org/artscouncil](http://www.cityofevanston.org/artscouncil)

**Wednesday, February 10, 2021**

Design and Project Review Committee - CANCELED

[www.cityofevanston.org/dapr](http://www.cityofevanston.org/dapr)

Plan Commission - CANCELED

[www.cityofevanston.org/plancommission](http://www.cityofevanston.org/plancommission)

**Thursday, February 11, 2021**

Environment Board

[www.cityofevanston.org/environmentboard](http://www.cityofevanston.org/environmentboard)

Mental Health Board – RESCHEDULED

[www.cityofevanston.org/mentalhealthboard](http://www.cityofevanston.org/mentalhealthboard)

**Thursday, February 12, 2021**

Utilities Commission

[www.cityofevanston.org/utilitiescommission](http://www.cityofevanston.org/utilitiescommission)



# Memorandum

To: Erika Storlie, City Manager

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

Subject: Bids/RFPs/RFQs Advertised during the Week of February 1, 2021

Date: February 5, 2021

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 February 1, 2021

Bid/RFP/RFQ Number and Title	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budgeted Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
RFP 21-04 2021 Great Merchant Grant Planter and Landscaping Maintenance	CMO	The City of Evanston's Economic Development Division of the Evanston City Manager's Office is seeking proposals from experienced firms for installations of new planters, changing of seasonal plantings, and general maintenance of planters.	\$150,000	2/25	3/8



## Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Johanna Nyden, Community Development Director  
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report  
Date: February 5, 2021

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) 448-8014 or [jnyden@cityofevanston.org](mailto:jnyden@cityofevanston.org) if you have any questions or need additional information.

**Cases Received and Pending, January 28, 2021 - February 3, 2021**

**Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 8**

**Volume (number of cases pending staff review): 25**

**Zoning Reviews**

<b>Ward</b>	<b>Property Address</b>	<b>Zoning</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Status</b>
1	2135 Sherman Avenue	R4a	Building Permit	Detached garage, 24x24	10/21/20	pending additional information from the applicant
1	733 Lincoln Street	R1	Building Permit	Interior remodel	01/07/21	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
1	733 Lincoln Street	R1	Building Permit	Construct walls to separate rooms (work done without a building permit)	01/15/21	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	1708 Lake Street	R3	Building Permit	Patio and pergola	04/03/20	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	1209 Dewey Avenue	R3	Zoning Analysis	New 2-unit dwelling on new lot, zoning lot split into 2 lots	09/21/20	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1126 Pitner Avenue	R3	Building Permit	3-car detached garage	10/20/20	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1401 Lake Street	R1	Building Permit	2-story addition, porch, and interior remodel	11/30/20	non-compliant, pending minor variation application from the applicant
2	1208 Ashland Avenue	R2	Zoning Analysis	New parking lot (St. Mary's Syro-Malankara Catholic Church)	01/05/21	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	900 Clark Street	RP	Building Permit	Interior building out, Dogtopia	01/22/21	pending staff review
2	1216 Darrow Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Demolish enclosed front porch, construct addition and new open front porch	01/22/21	pending staff review
2	1310 Hartrey Avenue	C2	Zoning Analysis	New 3-unit office building	01/26/21	pending staff review
2	1735 Asbury Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition, covered deck, and interior renovation	01/28/21	pending staff review
3	1212 Judson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Roof mounted solar panels	04/03/20	pending additional information from the applicant
3	1217 Forest Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Replace driveway	10/25/20	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
3	1044 Lake Shore Boulevard	R1	Building Permit	Interior renovation and new deck	01/25/21	pending staff review
3	1012 Chicago Avenue	C1a	Zoning Analysis	Planned Development for new 6-story mixed-use building with 137 dwelling units, 71 parking spaces, ground floor commercial	01/25/21	pending staff review
3	321 Hamilton Street	R1	Building Permit	Concrete slab for hot sub	01/26/21	pending staff review
3	701 Sheridan Road	R1	Zoning Analysis	Interior remodel, window replacement, replace 4.5' roofed structure with columns with 32" awning	01/26/21	pending staff review
3	415 Dempster Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	Relocate exterior front stairs, extend existing west porch slightly west and north, add new stairs to side yard from porch	01/26/21	pending staff review
3	737 Judson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	New detached garage, 24x22	01/27/21	pending staff review
3	515 Main Street	C1a/oDM	Building Permit	Upgrade rooftop antenna facility, remove/replace antennas, radios, and routine maintenance	02/03/21	pending staff review

4	1011 Ridge Court	R1	Building Permit	Dormers and interior remodel	07/17/20	non-compliant, pending revisions and minor variation application from the applicant
4	902 Asbury Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Renovate front and rear deck/porch	09/27/20	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1212 Sherman Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Coach house	10/06/20	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
4	1220 Crain Street	R1	Building Permit	Addition to garage	11/08/20	pending additional information from the applicant
4	934 Elmwood Avenue	R3	Zoning Analysis	Remove rear patio and portion of walk, replace with new paver brick patio	11/12/20	pending additional information and revisions from the applicant
4	1410 Greenleaf Street	B1	Building Permit	New 2-story building with 2 dwellings, office space and attached 3-car garage	12/08/20	<b>non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant, DAPR</b>
4	1407 Main Street	R3	Building Permit	Inground pool, deck and pool coping	12/09/20	pending additional information from the applicant
4	931 Elmwood Avenue	R3	Building Permit	New 2-car garage	01/11/21	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1508 Sherman Avenue	D4	Building Permit	Interior commercial space build out for coffee shop	01/21/21	pending staff review and special use application
4	1421 Greenleaf Street	R3	Building Permit	New 2nd floor dormer and interior remodel	01/25/21	pending staff review
4	1224 Oak Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Garage addition with roof deck, dormer, and interior remodel	02/02/21	pending staff review
5	1928 Foster Street	R5	Building Permit	Carport	10/25/20	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
5	1929 Wesley Avenue	R5	Building Permit	1-story addition	10/31/20	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
5	1102 Foster Street	R4a	Building Permit	Patio and pergola	11/01/20	non-compliant, pending revisions
5	2044 Wesley Avenue, 2019 Jackson Avenue, and 2024-26 Green Bay Road	R4 & R5/oWE	Zoning Analysis	Planned Development for new 21 townhomes in 6 buildings and a 10-unit multi-family dwelling, including new street	01/13/21	pending additional information 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	2426 Hartzell Street	R1	Building Permit	Enlarge deck, cover deck with roof	06/24/20	pending additional information from the applicant
6	3321 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	Brick patio and walk	06/30/20	pending revisions from the applicant
6	2650 Lincolnwood Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Front porch	08/17/20	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
6	2634 Lawndale Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition and remodel garage	10/25/20	non-compliant, pending revisions per approved minor variation
6	3044 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	In ground pool, deck and patio	10/25/20	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
6	2734 Park Place	R1	Building Permit	New 2-story 4-car garage	01/11/21	pending revisions from the applicant
6	2411 Crawford Avenue	R2	Building Permit	New patio	01/15/21	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant

6	2340 Prospect Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition	01/26/21	pending staff review
6	2501 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	New patio and walk	01/26/21	pending staff review
6	3115 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	Detached 3-car garage	02/03/21	pending staff review
7	2753 Girard Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Paver patio installation	07/28/20	non-compliant, pending additional information and revisions from the applicant
7	2119 Colfax Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	Replace concrete walk with brick pavers, new patio and paver walk	08/20/20	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2648 Sheridan Road	R1	Building Permit	Addition	10/13/20	non-compliant, pending revisions (major variation denied)
7	2622 Orrington Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition and interior renovation, new detached garage	11/25/20	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2779 Prairie Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Rebuild deck adding roof to create screened-in porch	01/19/21	pending revisions from the applicant
7	2450 Hartrey Avenue	R1	Building Permit	remodel attic, replacing one dormer and enlarging another one	01/21/21	pending additional information from the applicant
7	728 Central Street	R1	Building Permit	One story addition and interior remodel	01/22/21	pending staff review
7	1802 Jenks Street	OS	Building Permit	Renovate public park, including new playground, pavement, lighting, storm drainage, site furnishings, and landscaping - McCulloch Park	02/03/21	pending staff review
7	2226 Hartzell Street	R1	Building Permit	2-story addition and interior remodel	02/03/21	pending staff review
8	955 Howard Street	B2	Building Permit	Interior renovation for new restaurant	12/22/20	pending special use (ZBA 2/16/21)
8	1027 Harvard Terrace	R2	Building Permit	Interior renovation and new deck	01/22/21	pending staff review
8	327 Sherman Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Repace open front porch	01/25/21	pending staff review
9	1120 Cleveland Street	R2	Building Permit	Paver patio installation	07/24/20	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
9	1208 Monroe Street	R2	Building Permit	Remove existing walk and replace with larger concrete area	08/16/20	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
9	1708 Keeney Street	R2	Building Permit	Above ground pool	08/17/20	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
9	1531 Cleveland Street	R2	Building Permit	Fire restoration and new garage	01/22/21	pending staff review
9	500-512 Asbury Avenue	R3	Zoning Analysis	Zoning verification letter	01/26/21	pending staff review
9	908 Seward Street	OS	Building Permit	Remove and replace asphalt, paint stripping and wheel stops - Ridgeville Park District	02/02/21	pending staff review

#### Miscellaneous Zoning Cases

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	811 Emerson Street	C1a	Planned Development	Major adjustment to a planned development to reduce required parking from 174 to 170 and to lease up to 50% of those spaces (85) to the public	12/10/20	pending PC 01/27/21, P&D
1	2442 Sherman Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot coverage for 60 sf addition	01/15/21	determination after 02/04/21
2	2030 Greenwood Street	I2	Major Variation & Map Amendment	Parking setback, number of off-street parking spaces, and drive aisle width in order to construct a new 24-unit multi-family dwelling; map amendment also needed to change zoning from I2 to MXE	01/14/21	pending DAPR, PC, ZBA, P&D

2	1563 Dewey Avenue	R3	Minor Variation	North interior side yard setback at 2nd-story addition	01/21/21	determination after 02/11/21
2	2223 Washington Street	I2	Special Use	Special use for mixed-use business with Business/Vocational School and accessory uses	01/21/21	<b>pending ZBA 02/16/21</b>
2	1708 Dempster Street	R3	Minor Variation	Interior side yard setback at 2nd-story addition	01/25/21	determination after 02/23/21
3	1327 Chicago Avenue/528 Greenwood Street	R5	Special Use	Special use for an office in a residential district	07/26/19	<b>pending ZBA 03/16/21</b>
4	718 Main Street	B2/oDM	Planned Development	Planned Development for a 5-story mixed-use building with 120 dwelling units, 3,779 sq ft of commercial retail space, and 47 enclosed parking spaces	10/04/20	<b>pending City Council 2/8/21</b>
4	630 Davis Street	D2	Special Use	Special use for Type-2 Restaurant, Deep Purple Acia Bowl	01/21/21	<b>pending ZBA 02/16/21</b>
5	1115 Emerson Street, Unit B	C2	Substitution of Special Use	Substitution of Special use for Cantuccio's pizza	01/19/21	determination after 02/19/21
6	2715 Hurd Avenue	R1	Planned Development	Demolish existing structure (church), construct new 2-story 19,836 square foot building for a Daycare Center-Children	09/09/20	<b>pending PC 03/10/21</b>
7	1801 Central Street	B1a/oCS C	Special Use	Special Use for Commercial Indoor Recreation for a jui jitsu studio at rear of building	01/11/21	<b>pending ZBA 02/16/21</b>
8	955 Howard Street	B2	Special Use	Special Use for Type-2 Restaurant, Ali's Halal Eatery	01/11/21	<b>pending ZBA 02/16/21</b>





To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Gary Gerdes, Building and Inspection Services Manager

Subject: Weekly Inspection Report

Date: February 5, 2021

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](mailto:ggerdes@cityofevanston.org) if you have any questions or need additional information.

# Inspector Weekly Update

Cases Received, February 5, 2021

## Field Reports

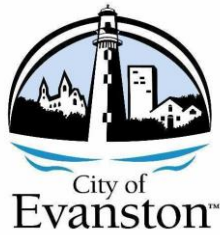
Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
2	1815 Ridge Avenue (Trulee)	Senior Living Facility	Construction fence, pedestrian canopy, sidewalks and roads around site are in good shape. Walkways are being maintained for pedestrians. Level 4 rough installations are being completed. Exterior brick work continues on the north and west sides	2/4/2021
2	1215 Church Street (YWCA)	Renovation of Existing Center/New Domestic Violence Shelter	Construction fence and site are in good condition. Work on the interior and exterior continues. Site is being maintained.	2/4/2021
4	1555 Ridge	Multi-Family Building	Construction fence, streets and alley around the site are being maintained. Precast decking installation continues on the first level.	2/4/2021
8	1011 Howard (Evergreen Senior Housing)	Senior Living Facility	Construction fence, alley and streets around the site are in good order. The footing and foundation walls along the west side of the building are complete. Due to site snow conditions, truck use of the alley was permitted for two days for concrete work on the north foundation wall.	2/4/2021



To: Erika Storlie, City Manager  
From: Gary Gerdes, Building and Inspection Services Manager  
Subject: Monthly Construction Valuation and Permit Fee Report  
Date: February 5, 2021

Enclosed is the monthly construction valuation and permit fee report. The report compares current month and year-to-date totals with those from 2020. Month and year-to-date Right of Way permit fee totals are included.

Please contact me at 847-448-8030 or [ggerdes@cityofevanston.org](mailto:ggerdes@cityofevanston.org) if you have any questions or need additional information.



DATE: February 5, 2021  
 TO: Erika Storlie, City Manager  
 FROM: Gary Gerdes, Building and Inspection Services Division Manager  
 SUBJECT: Building Permit & Construction Value Financial Report for January, 2021

**BUILDING PERMIT FEES**

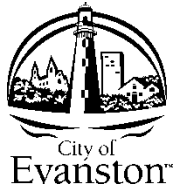
Total Permit Fees Collected for the Month of January 2021	\$ 157,930
Total Permit Fees Collected Fiscal Year 2021	\$ 157,930
Total Permit fees Collected for the Month of January 2020	\$ 277,131
Total Permit Fees Collected Fiscal Year 2020	\$ 277,131

**CONSTRUCTION VALUES**

<b>TOTAL CONSTRUCTION VALUE FOR JANUARY 2021</b>	\$ 7,686,338
<b>TOTAL CONSTRUCTION VALUE FISCAL YEAR 2021</b>	\$ 7,686,338
<b>TOTAL CONSTRUCTION VALUE FOR JANUARY 2020</b>	\$ 13,126,866
<b>TOTAL CONSTRUCTION VALUE FISCAL YEAR 2020</b>	\$ 13,126,866

**OTHER FEES**

Total ROW Permit fees Collected for the Month of January 2021	\$ 71,099
Total ROW Permit Fees Collected Fiscal Year 2021	\$ 71,099



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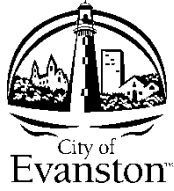
To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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

Subject: Food Establishment License Application Weekly Report

Date: February 5, 2021

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
4	1555 Oak Ave	Museum Residences on Oak	2/3/2021	Pending Inspections
5	1115 Emerson Unit B	Cantuccio's	1/4/2021	Pending Inspections
8	955 Howard St	Alis Halal Eatery	1/6/2021	Pending Building Permit Issuance
2	1813 Dempster St	Zentli	8/27/2020	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
1	1607 Chicago Ave	Bobba Tea Shop	5/6/2020	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
4	1012-14 Davis St	Guidepost Day Care Center	04/08/2020	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
7	2311 Campus Dr	The Protein Bar@NU	03/09/2020	Pending Inspections
2	1815 Ridge Ave	Solero Senior Living	03/03/2020	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
8	619 Howard St	Palmhouse 619	2/21/2020	Inspections Completed – Pending CO
8	633 Howard St	Estacion	2/4/2020	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



# Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Brian George, Assistant City Attorney

Subject: Weekly Liquor License Application Report

Date: February 5, 2021

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

Please contact me at (847) 448-8097 or [bgeorge@cityofevanston.org](mailto: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 FEBRUARY 5, 2021**

## **#AllInIllinois #StayHomeSaveLives #ItOnlyWorksIfYouWearIt**

### ***NWMC Here to Help Update***

This week, all health regions in the NWMC service territory moved to the Phase 4: Revitalization mitigation guidelines under the Restore Illinois plan. Region 10 (Cook County) moved to the new phase on Tuesday, with Regions 8 (DuPage/Kane counties) and 9 (Lake/McHenry counties) advancing on Wednesday. While Regions 8 and 9 are following the state's [Phase 4 Guidelines for Reopening](#), the Cook County Department of Public Health issued [Order No. 2021-1](#), which implements more restrictive mitigation measures, mirroring those recently implemented in Chicago.

On Monday, Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and staff held their monthly COVID update call with NWMC Cook County members. Implementation of the more restrictive measures was not mentioned during the call, which resulted in the distribution of incorrect information from our members to residents and businesses. Staff contacted the county to voice frustration with the omission and reiterated the need for comprehensive and consistent communications.

President Preckwinkle announced on the call that the NOW Arena in *Hoffman Estates* was selected as a mass vaccination site. County staff noted that it will take two to three weeks to establish the site which will serve an estimated two thousand people per day. County staff also outlined plans to announce additional vaccination locations over the next two weeks and discussions to allow local first responders to administer the vaccine. Similar mass vaccination site plans are also being planned in other counties and staff will forward information as it becomes available. In Lake County, mass vaccinations are being conducted at the Lake County Fairgrounds in *Grayslake*, which has been operational since January 26.

The Conference continues to advocate for the state to expand the list of frontline essential workers eligible under Phase 1b to include public works employees, inspectors and others who interact with the public, but the overarching issue continues to be the limited supply of the vaccine. Additionally, for members seeking to have local EMTs trained to administer the vaccine, staff sent an email to the membership on January 26 with guidance on working with local Emergency Medical System (EMS) Medical Directors.

As a reminder, below please find updated vaccination websites (with registration and/or notification information) for the counties in the NWMC service territory:

Cook County: <https://vaccine.cookcountyil.gov/> or <https://cookcountypublichealth.org/communicable-diseases/covid-19/covid-vaccine/>

DuPage County: <https://www.dupagehealth.org/669/COVID-19-Vaccine-Planning-in-DuPage-Coun>

Kane County: <https://kanehealth.com/Pages/COVID-Vaccine.aspx>

Lake County: <https://www.lakecountyil.gov/4521/COVID-19-Vaccine>

McHenry County: <https://www.mchenrycountyil.gov/county-government/departments-a-i/health-department/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/vaccine>

In Washington, Senate Republicans met with President Biden on Monday and introduced a scaled-down, \$618 billion counterproposal to the President's \$1.9 trillion [American Rescue Plan](#). Notably absent from the senator's package is any direct funding to state and local governments. The President's plan proposes "\$350 billion in emergency funding for state, local, and territorial governments to ensure that they are in a position to keep front line public workers on the job and paid, while also effectively distributing the vaccine, scaling testing, reopening schools, and maintaining other vital services." We continue to encourage all members to contact their congressional members in support of funding for local governments.

As always, staff will continue to work with our local government partners as well as monitor federal, state and local COVID-19 news, conference calls/press conferences and share pertinent information as it becomes available. Please do not hesitate to use NWMC staff as a resource and please contact us at any time. Stay well and we stand ready to help in any way we can! *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

### ***Staff Seeks Member GIS Data for NWMC Multimodal Transportation Plan***

As part of ongoing efforts to provide members with useful information in implementing the NWMC Multimodal Transportation Plan, staff requests that members share relevant GIS data showing sidewalk networks and bicycle facilities in your communities. This data will be added to tracking tools currently under development. Once finalized, these tools will be added to the plan's website for public viewing. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

### ***IDOT Updates Engineering Agreement Forms and Compensation Formulas***

On February 2, IDOT released [Circular Letter 2021-05](#). It summarizes a number of changes that have been implemented related to revisions of the Engineering Services Agreements and the compensation formulas for consultant services or Local Public Agencies (LPA). The policy that this Circular Letter affects will be further reflected in Chapter 5 of the BLRS Manual and will be issued as part of the planned forthcoming revisions of said Manual. For more information please contact Mr. Greg Lupton, Local Project Implementation Engineer, [greg.lupton@illinois.gov](mailto:greg.lupton@illinois.gov). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

### ***MWRD to Host Second Webinar for Stormwater Management Programs***

As previously reported, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) is seeking project applications from local government organizations within the MWRD's corporate boundaries to address flooding and drainage problems through the MWRD's Voluntary Flood-Prone Property Acquisition Program and Local Stormwater Partnership Program. Applications will be accepted through Friday, March 12.

The District hosted an informational webinar on January 22 and posted the [presentation](#) online. A second optional webinar is scheduled for Friday, February 26 at 11:00 a.m. For more information and to register for the webinar, please visit [MWRD's website](#). *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Kendra Johnson*

### ***Active Transportation Alliance Launches Local Match Impact Survey***

The Active Transportation Alliance is seeking feedback from suburban communities to assess whether the Illinois Department of Transportation's local match requirements have an impact on their ability to construct bicycle and pedestrian facilities along state routes. The survey is [available online](#) and will run until mid-February. Responses will be kept anonymous unless participants indicate otherwise. For additional information, please contact Advocacy Manager Maggie Melin Czerwinski, [maggie@activetrans.org](mailto:maggie@activetrans.org). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

### ***Reminder: REBUILD Illinois Project Information Exchange Due February 16***

To help track and facilitate local projects using REBUILD Illinois capital funding, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has created a form for local public agencies to submit for each intended project during the planning process. The form is [available online](#) and all requested data is for informational purposes only. IDOT has advised local public agencies to review their allotments of REBUILD Illinois bond funding, previous guidance issued for using the funding and the deadlines for eligibility for usage and implementation of the REBUILD Illinois program, all of which is available under the REBUILD Illinois Bond Funds tab on [IDOT's website](#). IDOT is asking local public agencies to complete the form for all intended projects by Tuesday, February 16. For more information, please see [Circular Letter 2021-04](#) or contact IDOT District 1 Local Roads and Streets Engineer Chad Riddle, [Charles.Riddle@illinois.gov](mailto:Charles.Riddle@illinois.gov). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*



## ***EPA Opens Diesel Emissions Reductions Act Grant Applications***

As previously reported, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) anticipates awarding approximately \$46 million in competitive grant funding under the [Diesel Emissions Reductions Act \(DERA\) National Grants Program](#). The program is soliciting applications nationwide for projects that achieve significant reductions in diesel emissions and exposure, particularly from fleets operating in areas designated by the EPA as having poor air quality.

Application packages must be submitted electronically to EPA through [Grants.gov](#) no later than 11:59 p.m. ET on Tuesday, March 16 to be considered for funding. The final program webinar will be held on Thursday, February 11 at 1:00 p.m. CT. Please visit the [EPA's website](#) for more information about the program and webinars. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

## ***CMAP Call for Surface Transportation Projects is Open***

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) is accepting funding applications for surface transportation projects through Friday, March 5. CMAP programs funding for these projects through three federal sources, including: the regional [Surface Transportation Program \(STP\) Shared Fund](#); [Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program \(CMAQ\)](#); and, the locally programmed [Transportation Alternatives Program \(TAP-L\)](#).

Projects may address safety, transit, bicycle, or pedestrian improvements, as well as traffic and freight movement, bridge and road reconstruction, and vehicles and equipment that use alternative fuel sources. CMAP has hosted two webinars relating to the Call for Projects and both of the recordings, along with more information about the application process, are available by visiting the program [website](#). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

## ***One Week Left to Apply for Invest in Cook Projects***

The Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways is accepting funding applications for Invest in Cook projects through Friday, March 12. The Department has established a formal process that local and regional governments and private partners can use to apply for up to \$8.5 million in transportation funds to cover the cost of planning and feasibility studies, engineering and construction associated with improvements consistent with the county's long range transportation plan. More information, including a complete program description and application form, are available by visiting the Cook County [website](#). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

## ***Meetings and Events***

*NWMC Finance Committee* will meet Wednesday, February 10 at Noon via videoconference.

*NWMC Board of Directors* will meet Wednesday, February 10 at 7:00 p.m. via videoconference.

*NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee* will meet Tuesday, February 16 at 10:30 a.m. via videoconference.

*NWMC Legislative Committee* will meet Wednesday, February 17 at 8:30 a.m. via videoconference.

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