



# Memorandum

To: Mayor Hagerty and Members of the City Council  
From: Erika Storlie, City Manager  
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update  
Date: February 12, 2021

## **STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT**



Weekly Report for February 4, 2021 – February 10, 2021  
*\*There will be no 311 report this week*

**City Manager's Office**  
City Council agenda Schedule

**Community Development**  
Weekly Zoning Report  
Weekly Inspection Report

**Public Works**  
Municipal Partnering Initiative Contracts

**Health Department**  
Weekly Food Establishment Application Report

**Law Department**  
Weekly Liquor License Application Report

**Legislative Reading**  
NWMC Weekly Briefing

**PUBLIC NOTICES, AGENDAS & MINUTES**

**Tuesday, February 16, 2021**

Zoning Board of Appeals

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

Housing & Community Development Act Committee

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

**Wednesday, February 17, 2021**

Design and Project Review Committee

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

M/W/EBE Development Committee - CANCELED

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

**Thursday, February 18, 2021**

Parks & Recreation Board

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

Equity & Empowerment Commission

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

iCompass Status: Approved  
Emma Review/Final Agenda: Yes

- Lara Biggs:** Resolution 21-R-21, Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into A First Amendment to the Grant Agreement With Evanston Animal Shelter Association

Department: Public Works  
Council Action: Res  
Council or Committee: HS  
Action: For Action  
iCompass Status: Approved  
Emma Review/Final Agenda: Yes

- Lara Biggs:** Resolution 20-R-21, Authorizing the City Manager to Enter Into A First Amendment to the Volunteer Animal Organization Agreement

Department: Public Works  
Council Action: Res  
Action: For Action  
Council or Committee: HS  
iCompass Status: Approved  
Emma Review/Final Agenda: Yes

- Kelley Gandurski:** City of Evanston Joining Amicus Brief in Schmuker

Department: Law  
Council Action: Bus  
Council or Committee: HS  
Action: For Action  
iCompass Status: Approved  
Emma Review/Final Agenda: Yes

- Paul Zalmezak:** Res 19-R-21 - New West Evanston TIF (funding for consultant study)

Department: CMO  
Council Action: Res  
Council or Committee: ED  
Action: For Action  
iCompass Status: Approved  
Notes: this is seeking authority to enter into consulting agreement to implement a TIF district  
Emma Review/Final Agenda: Yes

- Exec Session - Litigation , WC and MInutes

Department: Law  
Emma Review/Final Agenda: Yes

## February 22, 2021

- March 1 - Day of Mourning for Covid Victims and Survivors

Department: CMO  
Council Action: Annouc  
Council or Committee: CC

Likely a proclamation coming from mayors office

- Paul Zalmezak:** Resolution 8-R-21 Lot 1 RFP

Action: For Action  
Council Action: Res  
iCompass Status: Not Entered in System  
Notes: awaiting Sarah Flax input  
Department: CMO  
Council or Committee: CC

- Kumar Jensen:** CARP Update

Department: CMO

Council Action: Disc  
Council or Committee: CC  
Action: For Action: Accept and Place on File  
iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

- Resolution XA-R-21 Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Illinois Department of Transportation Resolution for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code for Improvements to use Motor Fuel Tax Funds of Various Evanston Streets in the amount of \$179,000.reets

Department: Public Works  
Council Action: Res  
Council or Committee: APW  
Action: For Action  
iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

- David Stoneback:** Award of HVAC work at various city facilities

Department: Public Works  
Council Action: Bus  
Council or Committee: APW  
Action: For Action  
iCompass Status: Not Entered in System  
MWEBE Memo: Yes

- David Stoneback:** Sewer Repair Costs

Made by: Suffredin  
Council or Committee: APW  
Date of Referral: 01/11/21  
Action: For Discussion  
Department: Public Works  
Council Action: Disc  
Council or Committee: APW  
iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

Discussion at APW educating residents about property owner responsibility for maintenance of sewer line from property to street. Cover any insurances on the market or other ideas.

- Animal Shelter Architectural Services

Department: Public Works  
Council or Committee: APW  
Council Action: Bus  
Action: For Action  
iCompass Status: Not Entered in System  
MWEBE Memo: Yes

- Resolution xx-R-21 Agreement to Accept Cook County Grant for Animal Shelter

Department: Public Works  
Council or Committee: APW  
Council Action: Res  
Action: For Action  
iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

- award of 54" heater cable replacement project

Department: Public Works  
Council Action: Bus  
Council or Committee: APW  
Action: For Action  
iCompass Status: Not Entered in System  
MWEBE Memo: Yes

- City and NU MOU

Department: Parks & Rec  
Council Action: Res  
Council or Committee: APW  
Action: For Action

iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

Efficiency Homes (aka Tiny Homes) Text Amendment

Department: Community Dev

Council Action: Ord

Council or Committee: PD

Action: For Introduction

iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

910-938 Custer Ave PD Extension

Department: Community Dev

Council Action: Ord

Council or Committee: PD

Action: For Introduction

iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

811 Emerson Major Adjustment

Department: Community Dev

Council Action: Comm

Council or Committee: PD

Action: For Introduction

iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

Resolution 21-R-21 Evanston Animal Shelter Grant Agreement Amendment

Department: Public Works

Council Action: Res

Council or Committee: HS

Action: For Action

iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

Resolution 20-R-21 Evanston Animal Shelter Association MOU Amendment

Department: Public Works

Council or Committee: HS

Council Action: Res

Action: For Action

iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

Resolution xx -R-21? Updated Storefront Modernization Program

Department: CMO

Council Action: Res

Action: For Action

iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

Council or Committee: ED

Create a new storefront program that supports your signage and awnings in downtown Evanston and interior exterior work and low mod tracks

Resolution xx-R-21 Haliburton Funeral Home Financial Assistance-

Department: CMO

Council Action: Res

Council or Committee: ED

Action: For Action

iCompass Status: Not Entered in System

Equity Update

**Audrey Thompson:** Creation of a Evanston Youth Commission

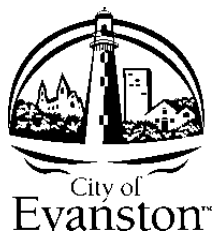
due Jan 26, 2021

Department: Health/Humans Services

Rules Committee Action: For Action

iCompass Status: Not Entered

Resolution XB-R-21 Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Illinois Department of Transportation Resolution for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code and Rebuild Illinois Program for Improvements to water main replacement Evanston Streets in the amount of \$660,000.



## Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Johanna Nyden, Community Development Director  
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report  
Date: February 12, 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, February 4, 2021 - February 10, 2021**

**Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 13**

**Volume (number of cases pending staff review): 28**

**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
1	1525 Judson Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Remove previous 1-story addition, construct new 2-story addition, attached garage, remove detached garage	02/09/21	pending staff review
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	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
2	2450 Main Street	C1, I1, oRD	Building Permit	Replace refrigerated cases and install new condensing units on the roof (Sam's Club)	02/08/21	pending staff review
2	1424 Pitner Avenue	R2	Building Permit	New covered porch	02/08/21	pending staff review
2	1502 Fowler Avenue	R2	Zoning Analysis	New 4-car garage with an ADU	02/10/21	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	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
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	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	931 Elmwood Avenue	R3	Building Permit	New 2-car garage	01/11/21	non-compliant, pending revisions 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	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
5	2019 Ashland Avenue	R4	Building Permit	New porch	02/08/21	pending staff review
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	2nd-story addition	01/26/21	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
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
6	3025 Park Place	R1	Building Permit	New detached garage, 28x22	02/08/21	pending staff review
6	2419 Hastings Avenue	R1	Building Permit	1-story addition	02/08/21	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	1726 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
7	2773 Garrison Avenue	R1	Building Permit	2nd-story addition	02/04/21	pending staff review
7	2720 Woodbine Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Front and rear porch addition/replacement, interior remodel	02/05/21	pending staff review
7	2103 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	2nd-story addition	02/05/21	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	833 Mulford Street	R5	Building Permit	Deconvert multi-family dwelling to single-family dwelling	02/08/21	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	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
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
9	834 Madison Street	R1	Building Permit	Interior remodel	02/09/21	pending staff review
9	114 Monroe Street	R2	Zoning Analysis	Interior renovation, new dormer for top unit of existing 2-flat	02/09/21	pending staff review

#### Miscellaneous Zoning Cases

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
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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 P&D 02/22/21
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	pending ZBA 02/16/21
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	pending ZBA 03/16/21
4	630 Davis Street	D2	Special Use	Special use for Type-2 Restaurant, Deep Purple Acia Bowl	01/21/21	pending ZBA 02/16/21
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	pending PC 03/10/21
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	pending ZBA 02/16/21
8	955 Howard Street	B2	Special Use	Special Use for Type-2 Restaurant, Ali's Halal Eatery	01/11/21	pending ZBA 02/16/21



To: Erika Storlie, City Manager  
From: Gary Gerdes, Building and Inspection Services Manager  
Subject: Weekly Inspection Report  
Date: February 11, 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.

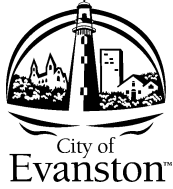
Please contact me at 847-448-8030 or [ggerdes@cityofevanston.org](mailto:ggerdes@cityofevanston.org) if you have any questions or need additional information.

# Inspector Weekly Update

Cases Received, February 11, 2021

## Field Reports

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
2	1815 Ridge Avenue (Trulee)	Senior Living Facility	The construction fence and pedestrian canopy are in good shape. The site and streets around the site are clean and organized.	2/10/2021
2	1215 Church Street (YWCA)	Renovation of Existing Center/New Domestic Violence Shelter	The construction fence and site are in good order. Limited exterior activity, mostly interior work is being completed at this time.	2/10/2021
4	1555 Ridge	Multi-Family Building	The construction fence and loading lane along Greenwood Street are in good shape. The second level of steel is being installed on the north end of the project.	2/10/2021
8	1011 Howard (Evergreen Senior Housing)	Senior Living Facility	Construction fence and site are in good shape. The foundation installation on the west and north sides is almost complete.	2/10/2021



# Memorandum

To: Erika Storlie, City Manager

From: David D, Stoneback, PWA Director

Subject: Municipal Partnering Initiative Contracts

Date: February 1, 2021

At the Administration & Public Works Committee meeting on January 25, 2021 staff was requested to provide information about the contracts Evanston participates in the Municipal Partnering Initiative (MPI) bidding process and the schedule for their award.

The City began participating in the MPI in 2013 and currently uses the MPI to receive bids on six different types of work. The table below provides a summary of these projects.

Project	First time using MPI	Contract Award Amount	Month Contract Generally Awarded
Crack Sealing	2013	\$ 80,000	July
Pavement Markings	2014	\$110,000	April
Pavement Patching	2016	\$600,000	April
Granular Materials	2016	\$ 28,200	January
Debris Hauling	2017	\$ 80,000	January
Reclamite Pavement Sealing	2018	\$ 50,000	May

Staff continues to review what bids are let through the MPI and could elect to participate in other type of work such as tree services.



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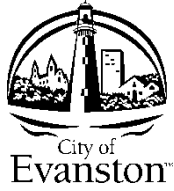
To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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

Subject: Food Establishment License Application Weekly Report

Date: February 12, 2021

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
4	1508 Sherman Ave	Dollop Coffee	2/11/2021	Pending Permit Issuance
7	2317 Sheridan Rd	Poco Kitchen	2/5/2021	Pending Inspections
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	License Issued
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 12, 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 12, 2021*

## #AllInIllinois #StayHomeSaveLives #ItOnlyWorksIfYouWearIt

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

As we reported last week, all health regions in the NWMC service territory moved to the Phase 4: Revitalization mitigation guidelines under the Restore Illinois plan. While Regions 8 (DuPage/Kane counties) and 9 (Lake/McHenry counties) are following the state's [Phase 4 Guidelines for Reopening](#), the Cook County Department of Public Health implemented more restrictive mitigation measures, mirroring those recently implemented in Chicago. This week, the county eased those measures via [Order No. 2021-3](#); however, the order is still more restrictive than the full Phase 4.

On Wednesday, Governor Pritzker announced expansion of those eligible to receive the vaccine under Phase 1b to include individuals under age 65 with high risk medical conditions and those with disabilities. The expansion will begin on February 25 and was implemented based on the expectation that vaccine delivery will substantially increase in the coming weeks. All of the counties in the NWMC service territory will expand the eligibility except Cook County, who announced Thursday that Phase 1b eligibility will not be expanded due to the lack of vaccine for those who currently qualify and the over one million individuals that would be newly eligible. Also on Thursday, the Biden administration announced the purchase of another 200 million doses of the vaccines currently authorized in the U.S., which will be enough to fully vaccinate all 300 million eligible Americans by the end of July.

This morning at 11:00 a.m., the U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Reform will consider legislation providing direct Coronavirus funding to state and local governments. As called for in President Biden's \$1.9 trillion [American Rescue Plan](#), \$350 billion in emergency funding is proposed for state, local, and territorial governments. On Wednesday, staff forwarded published estimates for each NWMC member. That information, along with a link to the hearing can be found on the committee's [website](#).

As a reminder, below please find 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>

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 Requests Member GIS Data for the 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*

### ***CMAP Call for Surface Transportation Projects Ends March 5***

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; 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*

### ***Reminder: REBUILD Illinois Project Information Exchange Due Tuesday***

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*

### ***RTA Launches Updated Transportation Data Website***

The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) recently launched a redesigned website to house ridership statistics, interactive maps, and downloadable data from the Chicago Transit Authority, Metra, and Pace. The Regional Transportation Authority Mapping and Statistics website (RTAMS) was redesigned to be a faster, mobile friendly, and interactive approach to transparency. Please visit the [updated website](#) and learn more about the changes in [RTA's blog](#). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

### ***Green Infrastructure Training Available Through Chicago Region Trees Initiative***

The Chicago Region Trees Initiative (CRTI) is hosting a two-day green infrastructure maintenance training workshop that will be held in a two-part hybrid format. The first session will be held virtually via Zoom on Friday, February 19, and will cover a variety of topics to learn how to help communities use green infrastructure to manage stormwater and create green space. The second session, which will be held on Friday, June 18, will provide hands-on, socially distanced green infrastructure maintenance training. Registration is free but space is limited, so participants are encouraged to register as soon as possible. For more information, and to register, please visit the [CRTI website](#). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson*

### ***National Roadway Safety Awards Issues Call for Nominations***

The 2021 National Roadway Safety Awards Program is currently accepting applications. This program opens biennially to recognize innovative and cost-effective roadway safety projects and programs that move the country toward zero deaths and serious injuries on the nation's roadways. States and local agencies are encouraged to submit an application for awards in two categories – Infrastructure and Operational Improvements, and Program Planning, Development, and Evaluation.

Entries are evaluated by a panel of judges in Washington, DC. Award winners normally are flown to Washington for a recognition ceremony, luncheon, and meet-and-greets with national transportation officials and elected

leaders. Please note that decisions about this year's in-person event has not yet been confirmed and may be moved to a virtual platform. Applicants will be notified of any travel restrictions if applicable. Applications should be submitted via the [Roadway Safety Foundation's online application](#) by Friday, May 28. For more information, please visit the [Federal Highway Administration's website](#) or contact Norah M. Ocel, [norah.ocel@dot.gov](mailto:norah.ocel@dot.gov). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

### ***Reminder: 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*

### ***EPA Diesel Emissions Reductions Act Grant Application Reminder***

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. Please visit the [EPA's website](#) for more information about the program and past webinars. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Matt Pasquini*

### ***Invest in Cook Applications Due March 12***

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 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.

*NWMC Transportation Committee* will meet Thursday, February 25 at 8:30 a.m. via videoconference.

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