



Memorandum

Date: April 22, 2022
To: Mayor Biss and Members of the City Council
From: Kelley Gandurski, Interim City Manager
Subject: City Manager's Office Weekly Report for
April 18 - April 22, 2022

Staff Reports by Department

City Manager's Office

Weekly Bids Advertised

Community Development

Weekly Zoning Report

Weekly Inspection Report

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Weekly Food Establishment Application Report

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Standing Committees of the Council & Mayoral Appointed Boards, Commissions & Committees

Monday, April 25, 2022

4:30pm: [Administration and Public Works Committee](#)

5:30pm: [Planning and Development Committee](#)

6:00pm: [City Council](#)

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

9:30am: [Special City Council](#)

2:00pm: [Design and Project Review Committee](#)

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

6:00pm: [Economic Development Committee](#)

7:00pm: [Land Use Commission](#)

Thursday, April 28, 2022

6:00pm: [Equity and Empowerment Commission](#)

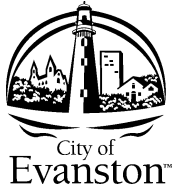
Friday, April 29, 2022

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Memorandum

To: Kelley Gandurski, Interim City Manager

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

Subject: Bids/RFPs/RFQs Advertised during the Week of April 18, 2022

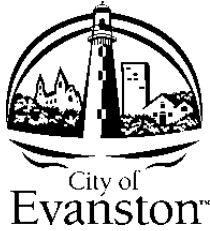
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The following is a list of projects that have been advertised and the anticipated date each will be presented to Council or Library Board.

Bids/RFPs/RFQs sent during the Week of April 18, 2022

Bid/RFP/RFQ Number/Name	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budgeted Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
RFP 22-30 4160V Electrical System Reliability Project	Public Works	Professional engineering services for the planning, design, and construction of the Water Plant 4160V Electrical System Reliability Project. The project will include the replacement of the backup electric generator, medium voltage (4160V) switchgear, and other electrical components at the water plant. Engineering services to be provided include Preliminary Design, Detailed Design, IEPA SRF Loan Support, Bidding, Project Management, Construction Administration, Construction Inspection, and Arc Flash Safety Program Update.	\$800,000	6/14	7/11

Bid/RFP/RFQ Number/Name	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budgeted Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
RFP 22-33 Commercial Municipal Solid Waste and Construction Debris Franchise	Public Works	The City of Evanston's Public Works Department is seeking proposals from experienced firms for: Commercial Municipal Solid Waste and Construction Debris Franchise.	N/A	5/17	7/11
RFP 22-36 Evanston Business District Clean Team	City Manager's Office	The City of Evanston's Economic Development Division of the Evanston City Manager's Office is seeking proposals from experienced firms for: implementing and providing an elevated cleaning and maintenance program in Evanston's business districts, including downtown, Main Street, Howard Street and other areas including Church and Dodge, Dempster, and Central Street.	TBD	5/19	6/13
RFP 22-37 Community Engagement for Programing at Gibbs Morrison and Fleetwood Jourdain	City Manager's Office	The City of Evanston's City Manager's Office of the Evanston Department is seeking proposals from experienced firms for: A community engagement process to determine community desired programs and activities at two city-owned community center facilities in Evanston's 5 th Ward: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gibbs Morrison - 1823 Church Street, Evanston, IL 60201 • Fleetwood Jourdain - 1655 Foster Street, Evanston, IL 60201 	TBD	5/13	6/13



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Johanna Nyden, Community Development Director
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report
Date: April 22, 2022

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 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Cases Received and Pending, April 14, 2022 - April 20, 2022

Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 13

Volume (number of cases pending staff review): 30

Zoning Reviews

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	824 Emerson Street	C1	Zoning Analysis	Construct 2 story parking garage with 96 parking spaces exclusively for Sherman Gardens	10/27/21	on hold per the applicant
1	816 Garnett Place	R5	Zoning Analysis	Planned Development for new 9 story tower connected to Link with 200 dwelling units and 71 parking spaces	11/05/21	on hold per the applicant
1	2014 Orrington Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Patio, concrete pad, and walk	03/08/22	pending additional information from the applicant
1	2330 Orrington Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Bay addition	03/29/22	revisions submitted by applicant, pending staff review
1	800 Lincoln Street	R1	Building Permit	Remove existing 1-story covered porch and replace with new larger covered porch	04/03/22	revisions submitted by applicant, pending staff review
1	2317 Ridge Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Front walk and fire pit	04/14/22	pending staff review
1	225 Greenwood Street	R1	Building Permit	Restore brick terrace wall and foundation, stair reconstruction (Dawes House - Evanston History Center)	04/19/22	pending staff review/Preservation
2	1133 Fowler Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Concrete patio	09/28/21	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1706 Crain Street	R3	Building Permit	Remove 2nd story and side porch, construct 2-story addition	10/06/21	pending revisions from the applicant
2	2321 Bradley Place	R2	Building Permit	Walk and pad	02/09/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	1127 Dewey Avenue	R3	Building Permit	New 2-story ADU	02/27/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	1404 Fowler Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Patio, shed, pergolas, remove and replace walks	04/03/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	2200 Greenleaf Street	I2	Zoning Analysis	Addition for 4 loading docks for Ward Manufacturing	04/05/22	pending staff review
2	1049 Fowler Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Remove and replace walk, new patio	04/04/22	pending additional information and revisions from the applicant
2	1814 Lake Street	R3	Building Permit	Replace existing porch	04/11/22	pending staff review
3	822 Hinman Avenue	R6	Building Permit	Remove and replace parking lot, striping	10/26/21	pending additional information from the applicant
3	999 Michigan Avenue	R5	Zoning Analysis	Rooftop stair and deck to multi-family dwelling	12/16/21	pending additional information from the applicant
3	1215 Forest Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Renovation and restoration of existing garage	04/02/22	pending Preservation Review
3	1211 Chicago Avenue	C1	Zoning Analysis	Zoning verification letter (Trader Joe's)	04/04/22	pending staff review
3	1111 Chicago Avenue	C2	Zoning Analysis	Zoning verification letter (Binny's)	04/04/22	pending staff review
3	1027 Judson Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Detached garage	04/20/22	pending staff review
4	1138 Elmwood Avenue	R3	Building Permit	New patio	08/15/21	on hold per the applicant
4	1122 Maple Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Paver driveway and paths	11/16/21	pending revisions from the applicant

4	718 Main Street	B2/oDM	Building Permit	New 5-story mixed-use building with ground floor retail and 120 dwellings (Vogue site)	12/28/21	pending revisions from the applicant, DAPR
4	1125 Elmwood Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Replace front porch deck, handrail, and trim	03/12/22	pending revisions from the applicant
4	1223 Oak Avenue	R3	Zoning Analysis	New entry addition, replace garage	04/01/22	pending staff review
4	1030 Ashland Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Interior remodel, deck	04/12/22	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1015 Maple Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Demolish deck and pergola, construct new deck	04/13/22	pending staff review
4	1509 Wilder Street	R3	Building Permit	Basement remodel	04/14/22	pending staff review
5	2046 Dodge Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Addition	09/28/21	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
5	2114 Wesley Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Replace gravel walk and parking pad with pavers	10/16/21	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1717 Simpson Street	B1	Building Permit	Garage	10/28/21	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
5	1717 Simpson Street	B1	Building Permit	Shed	11/01/21	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
5	1701 Simpson Street	B1	Building Permit	First and 2nd story addition to existing commercial building	12/20/21	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant, DAPR review
5	1805-1815 Church Street	B2/oWE	Zoning Analysis	Construct 2 story religious institution for Mt. Pisgah and 44 DU multifamily building (primarily affordable)	01/25/22	non-compliant; pending revisions from the applicant
5	1928 Jackson Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Pave parking lot	03/22/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1717 Simpson Street	B1	Building Permit	Repair existing parking lot	03/27/22	pending additional information and revisions from the applicant
6	2650 Lincolnwood Drive	R1	Building Permit	Enlarge front porch	08/20/20	non-compliant, pending additional information related to work done without a permit and a minor variation application
6	2504 Central Park Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition and patio expansion	07/07/21	pending revisions from the applicant
6	2402 Pioneer Road	R1	Building Permit	Patio, pergola, and walks	08/31/21	pending revisions from the applicant
6	2828 Lincoln Street	R1	Building Permit	Deck and patio	09/02/21	pending additional information from the applicant
6	3031 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	Shed	11/15/21	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	3321 Colfax Place	R1	Building Permit	Replace steps	11/24/21	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2421 Central Park Avenue	R1	Building Permit	2-story detached ADU	01/30/22	pending revisions from the applicant
6	2303 Park Place	R1	Building Permit	1st and 2nd story additions, interior and exterior renovation, detached garage	01/30/22	revisions submitted, pending staff review
6	2650 Lincolnwood Drive	R1	Building Permit	Patio (work already done)	02/05/22	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2516 Ridgeway Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition	02/08/22	pending additional information from the applicant

6	2149 Lincolnwood Drive	R1	Building Permit	New covered front porch	03/20/22	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2528 Marcy Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Remove patio, walks, and parking pad, install new patio, planter, steppers, re-clad steps, rear gravel patio, parking pad, and walk	03/20/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	2745 Lawndale Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Replace front steps, patio, seat wall, and stepper path	03/27/22	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2501 Marcy Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Paver patio and front walk	03/27/22	pending revisions from the applicant
6	3308 Payne Street	R1	Building Permit	Addition	03/29/22	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2417 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	Patio	04/02/22	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2650 Lincolnwood Drive	R1	Building Permit	Shed (work already done)	04/03/22	pending staff review
6	2502 Bennett Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Front porch	04/03/22	pending staff review
6	2829 Park Place	R1	Building Permit	Replace stoop and steps	04/03/22	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2805 Park Place	R1	Building Permit	Front and rear deck, patio, walk, and a/c screen	04/11/22	pending staff review
6	3510 Hillside Road	R2	Building Permit	Inground pool	04/11/22	pending staff review
6	2726 Lawndale Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Interior remodel	04/12/22	pending staff review
6	2525 Hartzell Street	R1	Building Permit	Fire pit	04/12/22	pending staff review
6	2525 Hartzell Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	Fire pit	04/14/22	pending staff review
6	2309 Hastings Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Generator	04/14/22	pending staff review
6	2340 Central Park Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Bluestone walk from patio to alley	04/15/22	pending staff review
7	1225 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	Remove and replace deck	07/17/21	pending revisions from the applicant
7	2333 Ridge Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage, 14x20	11/17/21	non-compliant, pending additional information and revisions from the applicant
7	1801 Central Street	B1a/oCS	Building Permit	Remodel 1st floor and 2-story addition above (fitness studio on ground floor)	01/13/22	pending revisions from the applicant, DAPR
7	2631 Prairie Avenue	R4	Building Permit	New attached garage, addition, and interior remodel	01/28/22	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1219 Noyes Street	R1	Building Permit	Remove existing deck, construct new deck and paver patio	03/07/22	revisions submitted, pending staff review
7	1906 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	Install paver patio and paver sidewalk	03/13/22	pending revisions from the applicant
7	2214 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	New garage	03/22/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	2635 Eastwood Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Detached garage, 20x22	03/25/22	pending revisions from the applicant
7	2759 Garrison Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Deck, rear elevation openings, and interior remodel	03/26/22	revisions submitted, pending staff review
7	2653 Stewart Avenue	R1	Building Permit	New 2-car garage	04/03/22	pending staff review
7	2100 Noyes Street	R1	Building Permit	Repair and partial deck replacement	04/04/22	pending staff review
7	2145 Sheridan Road	U3	Building Permit	Upgrade existing rooftop wireless antenna facility including remove and replace antennas, radios, and routine maintenance (NU)	04/08/22	pending DAPR review
7	2030 Harrison Street	R3	Building Permit	2-story addition and detached garage	04/14/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant

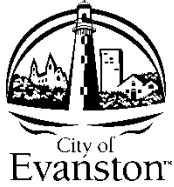
8	324 Florence Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage, 20'x20'	12/01/21	non-compliant, minor variation application from the applicant
8	1321 Brummel Street	R4	Zoning Analysis	New curb cut and shared driveway to open parking in the rear of two multi-family dwellings, 1317-1321 Brummel St	12/21/21	pending additional information from the applicant
8	1604 Mulford Street	R2	Building Permit	Grage	04/07/22	pending staff review
9	1210 South Boulevard	R2	Zoning Analysis	Construct 2-car garage on off-site parcel	03/17/22	pending additional information from the applicant
9	1101 South Boulevard	R2	Building Permit	Walk and parking pad	04/04/22	pending staff review
9	1508 Madison Street	R3	Building Permit	Remove concrete patio, install paver patio	04/05/22	pending staff review
9	1502 Main Street	R3	Building Permit	Paver patio	04/15/22	pending staff review
9	1517 Madison Street	R3	Building Permit	Detached garage, 24x22	04/18/22	pending staff review
9	1705 Oakton Street	R3	Building Permit	Gazebo over patio	04/20/22	pending staff review

Pending building permit and zoning analysis reviews older than 6 months where there has not been activity are periodically removed from the zoning report.

Miscellaneous Zoning Cases

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	1621-31 Chicago Avenue	D4	Planned Development	New 18-story mixed-use building with 180 dwelling units, 6,759 sf of ground floor retail, and 37 parking spaces	03/18/22	pending staff review
2	1804 Maple Avenue	RP	Special Use	Special use for a Cannabis Dispensary	03/04/22	pending P&D 05/09/22
2	1401 Lake Street	R1	Fence Variation	Front yard fence along Wesley Street side, 4'-6' tall	04/08/22	determination after 05/03/22
4	1322 Lake Street	R1	Minor Variation	Front yard setback to an open front porch	04/01/22	determination after 04/27/223
4	1214 Maple Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Impervious surface coverage associated with proposed subdivision of the zoning lot	04/14/22	pending staff review
4	1566 Oak Avenue	R6	Appeal	Appeal of the Zoning Administrator's determination of use (Margarita Inn)	04/18/22	pending LUC 05/11/22
4	1571 Maple Avenue	D3	Major Adjustment to a Planned Development	Major Adjustment to the approved 1571 Maple Ave Planned Development (Ordinance 147-O-18) requesting reduction of required parking leased from 50 to 0 spaces, leaving 13 on-site parking spaces	04/18/22	pending DAPR 05/03/22, LUC
5	2044 Wesley Avenue	R4/R5/oWE	Planned Development	New construction of 19 townhomes, a 12-unit multi-family dwelling, new private driveway/alley to access townhomes, new pedestrian path connecting Green Bay Road, Wesley and Jackson Avenues, removal of railroad infrastructure and environmental clean-up of site	02/03/22	pending additional information and revisions, DAPR, LUC
6	2650 Lincolnwood Drive	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot and impervious surface coverage for a front porch	11/18/21	pending permit submittals for work done without a permit (deck enclosure, shed, patio)
6	3434 Central Street	R2	Planned Development	New 2-story, 24,916 sf building for a Daycare center - Child (Kensington School)	02/10/22	pending LUC
6	2635 Crawford Avenue	R1	Plat of Subdivision	Subdivide a zoning lot into 2 lots	03/22/22	pending revisions, P&D

7	715 Sheridan Road	R1	Minor Variation	Dormer setback from north side facade, a/c equipment located within a front yard	03/16/22	pending additional information from the applicant
8	2424 Oakton Street	C1/oRD	Special Use	Special use for Resale Establishment, Salvation Army	11/08/21	pending CC 05/09/22
8	324 Florence Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot coverage for new detached garage	03/22/22	determination after 04/19/22
8	2310 Oakton Street	OS	Planned Development	New 1-story, 8,600 sf building and 16 parking spaces for a new animal shelter (City of Evanston)	03/23/22	pending staff review



Memorandum

To: Kelley Gandurski, Interim City Manager

From: Angelique Schnur, Building and Inspection Services Manager

Subject: Weekly Inspection Report

Date: April 22, 2022

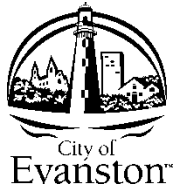
Enclosed is the weekly summary report of field inspections under special monitoring. The report, organized by ward, includes the property address, the type of inspection, inspector notes, date received and current status.

Please contact me at 847-448-8035 or aschnur@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Cases Received, April 22, 2022

Field Reports

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
2	1101 Church Street	Multi-Family Building	Construction fence and site are in good condition. Demo work has not yet started.	4/21/2022
2	2030 Greenwood	Multi-Family Building	Construction fence and site are in fair condition. Contractor has been notified it is their responsibility to monitor and maintain the site at all times. Site work continues.	4/21/2022
4	1555 Ridge Avenue	Multi-Family Building	Final inspections progress. Temporary plastic fencing in place (sidewalks are completely open and accessible) as landscaping is in progress. Sidewalks are complete including truncated domes as per IAC. Exterior parking is complete. Alley resurfacing to begin 1st week of may.	4/21/2022
8	1011 Howard Street (Evergreen Senior Housing)	Senior Living Facility	Scaffolding at west end has been removed. Sidewalk is open. Finishes continue.	4/21/2022
8	100 Chicago Avenue (Gateway)	Mixed-Use Retail/Residential	The construction fence and site are in good condition. Framing of 3rd level continues. MEP's are underway.	4/21/2022



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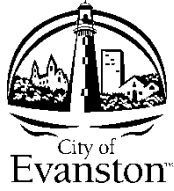
To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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

Subject: Food Establishment License Application Weekly Report

Date: April 22, 2022

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
3	615 Dempster St	Bagel Art	4/18/22	Change of Ownership – Pending Inspections
3	900 Chicago Ave	Subway	3/30/2022	Change of Ownership – Pending Inspections
8	120 Asbury Ave	Bill's Drive In	3/9/2022	Change of Ownership Approved - Pending Payment
4	1590 Sherman Ave	Moge Tee Shop	1/21/2022	Pending Building Issued – Pending Inspections
7	2002 Central St	Blended HSB Evanston	1/20/2022	Pending Building Issued – Pending Inspections
1	809 Davis St	5411 Empanadas	12/21/2021	Pending Building Issued – Pending Inspections
1	1743 Sherman Ave	Olive Mediterranean Grill	12/10/2021	Pending Building Permit Issuance
1	724 Clark St	Shinto Ramen	11/19/2021	Pending Building Issued – Pending Inspections
8	329 Howard St	LOADaSPUD	10/12/2021	Pending Building Issued – Pending Inspections
7	1921 Central St	Central Street Diner	10/7/2021	Pending Permit Application
4	1619 Chicago Ave	Picnic	9/14/2021	Pending Building Issued – Pending Inspections
1	1601 Sherman Ave	Sweetgreen	9/13/2021	Pending Building Issued – Pending Inspections
4	1508 Sherman Ave	Dollop Coffee	2/11/2021	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
2	1813 Dempster St	Zentli	8/27/2020	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
8	633 Howard St	Estacion	2/4/2020	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: April 22, 2022

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 22, 2022

RSVP Today for the NWMC Annual Gala

We are excited to welcome our members and guests at the NWMC Annual Gala, scheduled for Wednesday, May 18 at the beautiful Ravinia Festival in *Highland Park*. Highlights of the evening will be the inauguration of the NWMC officers for FY2022-2023 and a special presentation showing member responses to the COVID-19 pandemic. The evening begins with the reception at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP by Friday, May 6 to Marina Durso mdurso@nwmc-cog.org. *Staff contact: Marina Durso*

April 19 NWMC Spring Auction a Success!

Thank you to *Deerfield, Evanston, Glenview, Lincolnshire, Skokie, Crete, Flossmoor, Homewood, Tinley Park and Wheaton* for making the April 19 NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction a success! Offers on some of the vehicles still need to be finalized, but preliminary figures indicate sales hit \$184,200.00!

Live auctions will also be held on July 19 and October 18. In addition, America's Auto Auction hosts online sales on par with other government surplus Internet auctions. For questions or additional information, please contact staff or Berry Ellis, 312-371-5993 or berry.ellis@americasautoauction.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

North Shore Technical Committee Approves Draft Program, Calls Special Meeting

On Thursday, the North Shore Council of Mayors Technical Committee met and approved a draft local Surface Transportation Program for FFY2023-2027 resulting from the recent call for projects. The committee also released the program for the required 30 day public comment period, which will end Thursday, May 26. Comments received will be considered by the committee at their July 21 meeting. Please visit the [North Shore Council's Website](#) to review the draft program and please note that scoring documentation for any of the projects is available upon request.

In addition, the Technical Committee agreed to conduct a special meeting on Friday, April 29 to determine the disposition of a \$520,000 balance in Surface Transportation Program funds remaining in 2022. The committee requests that any cost increase requests be sent to Eric Czarnota, eczarnota@nwmc-cog.org by Thursday, April 28 in order to be added to the agenda. *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Kendra Johnson*

NWMC Members Receive Over \$1 Million in Safe Routes to School Awards

The Illinois Department of Transportation has released the list of grant awards from the latest Safe Routes to School (SRTS) call for projects held in fall 2021. Over \$1 million was awarded to five NWMC members including *Evanston, Fox Lake, Lake Forest, Morton Grove and Mount Prospect*. Funding supports projects and activities that improve safety and encourage active transportation options around elementary and middle schools. This year's program funds 57 projects across the state selected from over 100 applications. For more information on the program and awarded projects, please visit [IDOT's website](#). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Eric Czarnota*

Volunteers Still Needed to Develop SPC Fire and Public Works Vehicle Programs

As previously reported, the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) continues to seek volunteers for the Fire Core Cost Containment Committee and Public Works Committee to develop specifications for the Ambulance and Fire Apparatus programs and the Public Works Specialty Vehicle program (Sewer Cleaning Trucks and Street Sweepers).

The Conference thanks *Morton Grove District Chief Dennis Kennedy* for agreeing to lead the Fire Core Cost Containment Committee and *Hoffman Estates Fire Fighter/Paramedic Justin Schuenke, Elk Grove Village Fire Lieutenant John Fordon* and *Glenwood Fire Chief Kevin Walsh* for volunteering. Many more individuals are needed for these committees, so please sign up as soon as possible.

Most meetings will take place via Zoom, but in-person meetings will be necessary for mandatory vendor meetings and the final bid scoring process. Typically, the process takes 3-12 months, depending on the complexity of the program. For more information, please contact NWMC Purchasing Director Ellen Dayan, edayan@nwmc-cog.org or 847-296-9200 ext. 132. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Last Call to Provide Feedback on IDOT Strategic Highway Safety Plan

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) is requesting input on the 2022 Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP). The SHSP is a comprehensive safety document prepared by IDOT to assist in reducing fatalities and serious injuries on Illinois roadways. Illinois is required to complete the SHSP every five years to remain eligible for federal Highway Safety Improvement Program funding.

IDOT requests feedback on the Plan via an [online survey](#). The survey will be open until April 29, and participants are encouraged to share with their networks and/or others interested in providing input. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Eric Czarnota*

IDOT Opens Local HSIP Program Applications; Will Host May 6 Webinar

As previously reported, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has opened the FY 2024 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) call for projects. This year, with the passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, HSIP eligibility has been expanded to address Vision Zero goals. To that end, IDOT has increased its commitment to the program to \$30.6 million for this year's funding cycle. IDOT will also prioritize projects that address Vulnerable Road Users such as pedestrians and bicyclists. Projects will be eligible for up to 90 percent federal funding with a 10 percent local match required.

IDOT staff will host an informational webinar on Friday, May 6 at 10:00 a.m. to review strategies for successful applications. No advance registration is required for the webinar, so participants can follow [this link](#) at the specified time to join. Applications are due electronically to the appropriate District Local Roads and Streets Engineer by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 17. For more information, please see [IDOT Circular Letter 2022-11](#). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Eric Czarnota*

Volunteer for the 30th Annual Chicago River Day

On Saturday, May 14 from 9:00 a.m. to noon, Friends of the Chicago River is holding the 30th Annual Chicago River Day. Volunteers will gather to remove litter at more than 70 locations from Lake County down to the Calumet region. Please visit <https://www.chicagoriver.org/get-involved/volunteer/chicago-river-day> for more information, including registration and to view the list of clean up locations. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

Last Call to Participate in Cook County's Public Transit Survey

The Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways is currently seeking participation in an [online survey](#) to inform the county's first ever transit plan. The survey asks respondents to prioritize seven different strategies for improving transit currently being considered by the county. The survey is open until Sunday, May 1 and is available in English, Arabic, Chinese, Polish, and Spanish. For more information, please visit the [Cook County Transit Plan website](#). *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Eric Czarnota*

Meetings and Events

NWMC Transportation Committee will meet Thursday, April 28 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and via videoconference.

North Shore Council of Mayors Technical Committee will meet Friday, April 29 at 8:30 a.m. via videoconference.

NWMC Executive Board will meet Wednesday, May 4 at 8:30 a.m. via videoconference.

NWMC Board of Directors will meet Wednesday, May 11 at 7:00 p.m. via videoconference.

NWMC Legislative Committee will meet Wednesday, May 18 at 8:30 a.m. via videoconference.

NWMC Annual Gala will be held Wednesday, May 18 at 6:00 p.m. at Ravinia Festival in *Highland Park*.

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