



Memorandum

Date: August 19, 2022
To: Mayor Biss and Members of the City Council
From: Luke Stowe, City Manager
Subject: City Manager's Office Weekly Report for August 15 - August 19, 2022

Staff Reports by Department

City Manager's Office
Weekly Bids Advertised

Community Development
Weekly Zoning Report
Weekly Inspection Report

Health Department
Weekly Food Establishment Application Report

Law Department
Weekly Liquor License Application Report

Legislative Reading
NWMC Weekly Briefing



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

Monday, August 22, 2022

No BCC meetings scheduled

Tuesday, August 23, 2022

7:00 PM: [Redistricting Committee](#)

Wednesday, August 24, 2022

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

Thursday, August 25, 2022

8:30am: [Referrals Committee](#)

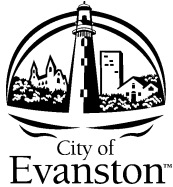
Friday, August 26, 2022

No BCC meetings scheduled

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City of Evanston Committee Webpage:

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Memorandum

To: Luke Stowe, Interim City Manager

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

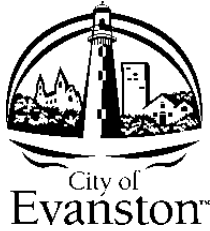
Subject: Bids/RFPs/RFQs Advertised during the Week of August 15, 2022

Date: August 19, 2022

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 August 15, 2022

Bid/RFP/RFQ Number/Name	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budgeted Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
Bid 22- 56 Sewer Inspection 24- Inch Diameter and Larger	Public Works	Work on this project includes inspecting approximately 12,100 feet of combined sewer main, 24-inch to 72-inch in diameter. No sewer cleaning is included in the scope of work.	\$200,000	9/20	10/10



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Elizabeth Williams, Planning & Zoning Manager
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report
Date: August 18, 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 (224) 296-4489 or ewilliams@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Cases Received and Pending, August 11, 2022 - August 17, 2022

Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 12

Volume (number of cases pending staff review): 20

Zoning Reviews

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	710 Clark Street	D3	Building Permit	New 10-story mixed-use office/laboratory building with below grade parking	08/02/22	pending staff review, DAPR
1	720 Clark Street	D2	Building Permit	Interior remodel	08/17/22	pending staff review
1	1513 Forest Avenue	R1	Building Permit	New paver walk, riser and steps	08/18/22	pending staff review
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	1101 Church Street	R6	Building Permit	Renovation of existing church and construction of a 4-story building with covered parking for 30 dwelling units	05/19/22	revisions submitted, pending staff review, DAPR
2	1516 Florence Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Paver patio and pergola	06/07/22	pending additional information and revisions from the applicant
2	2125 Madison Place	R2	Building Permit	1-story addition	06/30/22	non-compliant, pending revisions/major variation application from the applicant
2	2200 Greenleaf Street	I2	Building Permit	1-story addition for loading docks, interior remodel, re-pave portion of parking lot (WARD Manufacturing)	07/16/22	pending additional information and revisions from the applicant, DAPR
2	1519 Dewey Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Enlarge dormer, interior remodel	08/09/22	pending staff review
2	1168 Dodge Avenue	C1	Building Permit	Interior remodel for a restaurant (Buffalo Wild Wings To Go)	08/12/22	pending staff review, Administrative Review Use review
3	1215 Forest Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Renovation and restoration of existing garage	04/02/22	pending Preservation Review
3	1032 Michigan Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Remove portion of walk, new stone patio	06/29/22	non-compliant, pending variation application
3	819 Judson Avenue	R5	Building Permit	New 9-unit multi-family dwelling	07/08/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
4	207 Asbury Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Entryway addition	04/25/22	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1322 Greenwood Street	R1	Building Permit	2-story addition and interior remodel	05/16/22	pending revisions from the applicant
4	1017 Lee Street	R1	Building Permit	Replace front porch	06/18/22	pending additional information from the applicant
4	950 Church Street	RP	Building Permit	Interior remodel for a sit-down restaurant (Big Wig Tacos)	07/21/22	pending Administrative Review Use application
4	1230 Sherman Avenue	R3	Zoning Analysis	Consolidation of 2 parcels	07/22/22	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1016 Davis Street	D2	Zoning Analysis	Determination of use - religious institution	08/05/22	pending additional information from the applicant
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	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
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	1717 Simpson Street	B1	Building Permit	Repair existing parking lot	03/27/22	pending additional information and revisions from the applicant
5	2201 Dewey Avenue	MXE	Building Permit	Remove brick paver walk, install concrete parking pad	05/20/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2012 Maple Avenue	R4a	Building Permit	Garage	06/09/22	non-compliant, pending minor variation application
5	2216 Foster Street	R3	Building Permit	Concrete parking pad	06/25/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2216 Foster Street	R3	Building Permit	Pergola	06/30/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2040 Brown Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Remodel administrative offices and community room (Over The Rainbow)	08/04/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2100 Emerson Street	R3	Building Permit	Gut remodel, remodel coach house	08/04/22	pending staff review
5	1919 Wesley Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Gravel patio, seat walls, and steps	08/12/22	pending staff review
6	2417 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	Patio	04/02/22	pending revisions from the applicant
6	2314 Ridgeway Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Rear stoop and steppers to alley	05/06/22	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2312 Cowper Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Deck	05/23/22	revisions submitted, pending staff review
6	2634 Lawndale Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage	06/10/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	3045 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	Detached garage	06/13/22	pending revisions per the minor variation approved
6	2151 Forestview Road	R1	Building Permit	Detached garage	06/22/22	non-compliant, pending revisions and/or minor variation application
6	2905 Harrison Street	R1	Building Permit	Patio and hot tub	07/25/22	pending revisions from the applicant
6	2418 Hartzell Street	R1	Building Permit	Screened porch addition	07/28/22	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2145 Forestview Road	R1	Building Permit	Addition, deck, and interior remodel	08/01/22	pending staff review
6	2615 Park Place	R1	Building Permit	Addition	08/02/22	pending staff review
6	2601 Simpson Street	R1	Building Permit	Remove and replace front walk and stoop	08/08/22	pending staff review
6	2705 Park Place	R1	Building Permit	Generator	08/10/22	pending staff review
6	2404 Hastings Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage	08/11/22	pending staff review
6	2404 Prospect Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition	08/11/22	pending staff review
6	2311 Prospect Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Enlarge 1-car garage	08/11/22	pending staff review
6	2725 Harrison Street	R1	Building Permit	3rd floor bathroom addition, flatwork, and pergola	08/16/22	pending staff review
6	3700 Glenview Road	R1	Building Permit	Concrete slabs	08/17/22	pending staff review

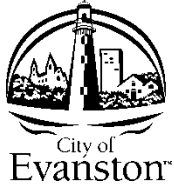
7	2333 Ridge Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage, 14x20	11/17/21	non-compliant, pending minor variation application
7	2631 Prairie Avenue	R4	Building Permit	New attached garage, addition, and interior remodel	01/28/22	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2635 Eastwood Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Detached garage, 20x22	03/25/22	pending revisions from the applicant
7	2300 Grey Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage	05/10/22	pending revisions from the applicant
7	2676 Prairie Road	R4	Building Permit	Interior remodel and enclose existing deck	05/26/22	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1219 Noyes Street	R1	Building Permit	Shed	05/26/22	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1130 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	Kitchen remodel, convert garage to sitting room, deck	06/14/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	2889 Sheridan Place	R1	Building Permit	New single-family home	06/17/22	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2202 Hartrey Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Paver patio	07/09/22	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
7	1914 Colfax Street	R3	Building Permit	1-story coach house	07/19/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	725 Roslyn Place	R1	Building Permit	Shed	07/31/22	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2529 Orrington Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Replace and enlarge patio	08/02/22	pending staff review
7	2704 Bryant Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition	08/11/22	pending staff review
7	1121 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	Patio and walk	08/11/22	pending staff review
7	2419 Simpson Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	Generator	08/12/22	pending staff review
7	726 Clinton Place	R1	Building Permit	Patio	08/17/22	pending staff review
8	2105 Dobson Street	R2	Building Permit	3-season room addition	06/24/22	non-compliant, pending revisions and additional information from the applicant
8	1033 Dobson Street	R2	Building Permit	Paver patio	07/25/22	non-compliant, pending revision from the applicant
8	1314 Brummel Street	R4	Building Permit	Concrete pad	07/28/22	pending additional information from the applicant
8	713 Case Street	R5	Building Permit	Patio	08/09/22	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	1705 Oakton Street	R3	Building Permit	Gazebo over patio	04/20/22	pending additional information from the applicant
9	1134 Main Street	R1	Building Permit	2-story addition	04/28/22	pending additional information from the applicant
9	555 Barton Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Remodel front and back porch	06/14/22	pending additional information from the applicant
9	2224 Cleveland Street	I1	Building Permit	Pave over gravel parking lot	06/15/22	pending additional information from the applicant
9	822 Wesley Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Install 12 antennas and cabinets	06/21/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant

9	1126 Madison Street	R1	Building Permit	2-car garage	06/23/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
9	2126 Cleveland Street	R2	Building Permit	2nd-story addition, rooftop deck, covered front landing and stairs, rear deck, garage	07/04/22	pending revisions from the applicant per approved minor variation
9	1504 Monroe Street	R3	Building Permit	Sidewalk, patio, and landing	07/22/22	pending additional information from the applicant
9	512 Sherman Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage, screened-in porch, and patio	07/27/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
9	1733 Oakton Street	R2	Zoning Analysis	2nd-story addition	08/02/22	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 LUC 09/14/22
1	1930 Sherman Avenue	R5	Special Use	Special Use for a religious institution (Jewish Learning Foundation)	07/29/22	pending DAPR, LUC 08/24/22
1	950 Church Street	RP	Administrative Review Use	Administrative Review Use for a type-2 restaurant	08/04/22	pending DAPR 08/23/22
1	2333 Ridge Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot and impervious surface coverage for a new garage	08/11/22	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1168 Dodge Avenue	C1	Administrative Review Use	Administrative Review Use for a type-2 restaurant (Buffalo Wild Wings To Go)	08/11/22	pending DAPR 08/23/22
3	1012 Chicago Avenue	C1a	Planned Development	Time extension on approval (new mixed-use 5-story building with ground floor retail, 116 dwelling units, and 58 parking spaces)	07/26/22	pending P&D
4	620 Grove Street	D2	Special Use	Special Use for a convenience store	07/25/22	pending DAPR 08/23/22
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 LUC 09/28/22
5	2012 Maple Avenue	R4a	Minor Variation	Building lot and impervious surface coverage for new 2-car detached garage	08/11/22	determination after 08/31/22
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 additional details from the applicant, LUC
6	3026 Thayer Street	R1	Minor Variation	Setback to heat pump (a/c equipment)	08/09/22	pending additional information from the applicant
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	revisions submitted, pending staff review
8	619 Howard Street	R5	Special Use	Amendment to existing special use for a Banquet Hall Facility (Palmhouse)	06/17/22	pending P&D
8	999-1015 Howard Street	B2	Planned Development	Major Adjustment to an approved Planned Development to alter the approved building elevation	07/28/22	pending LUC 08/24/22



Memorandum

To: Luke Stowe, City Manager

From: Angelique Schnur, Building and Inspection Services Manager

Subject: Weekly Inspection Report

Date: August 19, 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, August 19, 2022

Field Reports

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
2	1101 Church Street	Multi-Family Building	Fence and site are in good shape. Excavation for the addition foundation is underway.	8/18/2022
	1012 Church	Northlight Theater	The demolition crew is using a fire hose to manage the dust. Demo debris is being sorted on site then it is being hauled away from the Church street side of the property, equipment and crews are entering from the alley. We continue to monitor the project.	8/18/2022
2	2030 Greenwood	Multi-Family Building	Fencing and site are in good order. Second floor wood framing is being completed across all units. We received a complaint about the site condition and will continue to monitor the project.	8/18/2022
4	718 Main	Mixed Use Residential/Retail	The construction fence is in place. Utility disconnects are being finalized. The demolition and building permits have been issued.	8/18/2022
8	100 Chicago Avenue (Gateway)	Mixed-Use Retail/Residential	Fencing and site are in fair condition. Top floor exterior framing is complete. Windows continue to be installed on all levels. MEP work continues in the lower level units.	8/18/2022



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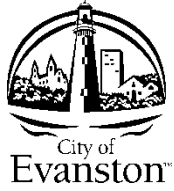
To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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

Subject: Food Establishment License Application Weekly Report

Date: August 19, 2022

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
2	1168 Dodge Ave	Buffalo Wild Wings Go	8/11/2022	Pending Building Permit Issuance
5	1608 Emerson St	Fat Zee's	8/11/2022	Change of Ownership – Pending Inspections
7	1932 Central St	Bluestone	8/10/2022	Change of Ownership – Pending Inspections
1	812 Church St	Hokkaido Ramen and Sushi Bar	7/26/2022	Pending Building Permit Issuance
4	950 Church St	Big Wig Tacos	7/22/2022	Pending Building Permit Issuance
2	1715 Maple Ave	AMC Evanston 12	7/21/2022	Pending Inspections
3	1047 Chicago Ave	Papa Bop	7/15/2022	Pending Inspections
2	1715 Maple Ave	Sky Zone/Circus Trix	7/13/2022	Pending Building Permit Issuance
1	720 Clark St	Mas Salud	7/7/2022	Pending Building Permit Submittal & Issuance
5	911 Foster St	Domino's Pizza	7/5/2022	Change of Ownership – Pending Inspections
4	1500 Sherman Ave	Good Wolf	06/22/2022	Pending Building Permit Issuance
5	1831 Emerson St	La Michoacana	5/01/2022	Pending Building Permit Issuance
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
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: August 19, 2022

Enclosed is the weekly report of liquor applications received and pending. The report, organized by ward, includes the business address, the type and description of license requested, date received and current status.

Please contact me at liquorlicense@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Liquor Licensing Weekly Report

Liquor Applications Received and Pending for week of August 19, 2022

WARD	BUSINESS NAME	BUSINESS ADDRESS	LIQUOR CLASS	CLASS DESCRIPTION	PROCESSED HOURS for LIQUOR SALES	STATUS
7	Bluestone	1932 Central St. Evanston, IL 60202	D	Restaurant	11 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Mon-Thurs); 11 a.m. — 2 a.m. (Fri-Sat); 10 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Sun)	Application will be reviewed at the Liquor Control Review Board Meeting on 9.8.22
4	La Rotunde	625 Davis St. Evanston, IL 60201	C	Hotel or Restaurant	11 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Mon-Wed); 11 a.m. — 2 a.m. (Thurs-Sat); 10 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Sun) 11 a.m. — 2 a.m. on New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day and Thanksgiving	Application will be reviewed at the Liquor Control Review Board Meeting on 9.8.22
8	El Pueblito	1805 Howard St. Evanston, IL 60202	D	Restaurant	11 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Mon-Thurs); 11 a.m. — 2 a.m. (Fri-Sat); 10 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Sun)	Application will be reviewed at the Liquor Control Review Board Meeting on 9.8.22



DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY BRIEFING

By NWMC Executive Director Mark L. Fowler



WEEK ENDING AUGUST 19, 2022

NWMC Board of Directors Delegate Forms Due September 2

As a reminder, the first NWMC Board of Directors meeting for this fiscal year will be held on Wednesday, September 14. In preparation, staff previously emailed information to register member delegates and alternate delegates to the board. If you have not done so already, please remit the form by Friday, September 2 to Marina Durso, mdurso@nwmc-cog.org or fax, 847-296-9207. *Staff contact: Marina Durso*

NWMC Issues Call for Legislative Initiatives

The Conference's Legislative Committee will soon begin the process of developing the 2023 NWMC Legislative Program. To inform that process, we are now soliciting initiatives and issues for consideration to include in the Program. Your responses are critical to creating the Conference's legislative work plan for the year.

On Thursday, staff emailed the membership with an attached form to solicit legislative issues and describe any actions taken to date to address them. Please note that federal issues should also be submitted at this time. In addition to informing the Legislative Program, member responses will provide the Legislative Committee and staff with the local government context necessary to review legislation and engage lawmakers as highlighted issues emerge during the year.

Completed forms should be submitted to NWMC Policy Analyst Chris Staron, cstaron@nwmc-cog.org, by Wednesday, September 14. *Staff contacts: Chris Staron, Larry Bury, Mark Fowler*

Granite Webinar Rescheduled to August 26

In order to accommodate IT staff attending the GMIS Illinois quarterly meeting, Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) Telecommunications Program (Contract #205) vendor Granite Communications has rescheduled its Customer Portal webinar. The event will now be held on Friday, August 26 at 11:00 a.m., so there's still time to sign up for it. This free event will cover the following topics:

- Accessing the Portal - from anywhere, even on your phone.
- Overview of what you can do in the portal - all of the available features and information.
- Running Usage Reports - how to run usage reports and other helpful reports on your monthly usage, calling partners and network
- Downloading invoices - how to download your invoices and even pay them through the Portal.
- Inventory of all services - how to access your service inventory and customize account set up.
- Opening and Monitoring Trouble Tickets - how to open a trouble ticket online and check the status of any repairs.
- How to export invoices into your AP system - how to export and download them into your AP system without having to retype the information.
- Q and A – time to answer any questions and show how to get help.

Updated invitations were sent to NWMC Assistant Managers, Finance Directors, IT Directors and Purchasing Agents. If anyone else in your agency would like to attend, please have them contact NWMC Purchasing Director Ellen Dayan, edayan@nwmc-cog.org. For more information on the webinar, please contact Rachel Roach, 617-837-5900 (office); 860-377-5478 (cell); or roach@granitenet.com. To review the complete lineup of services offered by Granite, please contact Senior Sales Executive Frank Ventrella, 630-649-0823 or fventrella@granitenet.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Transit Agencies to Provide Free Rides for K-12 Students on August 22

For the first time, Metra, Pace and the CTA will offer free rides to kick off the school year. Both public and private K-12 students and one accompanying adult may ride any service for free from 5:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, August 22, the first day of school for Chicago Public Schools and many suburban schools. A variety of other discount options are available for students riding [Metra](#) or [Pace](#) during the school year. Please see [Metra's press release](#) for more information. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Eric Czarnota*

IDOT Publishes FY 2023-2028 Multi-Year Program

On August 12, Governor JB Pritzker and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced a \$34.6 billion program to improve roads, bridges, transit, rail, airports, and ports over the next six years. For the first time, road projects that add capacity will be evaluated by a new [Data-Driven Decisions Tool](#) intended to ensure greater equity and transparency in transportation planning and programming.

In the next six years, over \$318 million will go toward highway reconstruction and preservation, bridge improvements, strategic expansion, engineering and land acquisition and safety and system modernizations in NWMC communities, with additional funding for multi-modal projects in the region included as part of IDOT's Multimodal Multi-Year Improvement Program. For further information, both the [FY2023-28 Proposed Highway Improvement Program](#) and the [FY2023-28 Proposed Multimodal Multi-Year Improvement Program](#) are available online. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Eric Czarnota*

Metra to Convert Six Locomotives to Battery-Powered

Recently, the Metra Board of Directors approved a [first-of-its-kind plan](#) to convert six of their oldest diesel locomotives to zero-emission battery power. The contract with Progress Rail calls for a base order of three locomotives with options for three more. The total cost for all six locomotive conversions is estimated to be \$34.6 million and will take about three and a half years. Metra plans to test the battery-powered locomotives on the Rock Island line. The battery-powered locomotives are expected to have a range of about 150 miles, be less noisy and have lower operating costs and lower maintenance costs than diesel locomotives. *Staff contacts: Kendra Johnson, Eric Czarnota*

Meetings and Events

NWMC Executive Board will meet on Wednesday, September 7 at 8:30 a.m. via teleconference.

NWMC Finance Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 14 at noon via teleconference.

NWMC Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, September 14 at 7:00 p.m. via teleconference.

NWMC Legislative Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 21 at 8:30 a.m. – location TBD.

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