



Memorandum

To: Mayor Biss and Members of the City Council
From: Luke Stowe, City Manager
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update
Date: April 14, 2023

STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT

Weekly Report for April 10, 2023 – April 14, 2023

City Manager's Office
Weekly Bids Advertised

Community Development
Weekly Zoning Report
Weekly Inspection Report

Health Department
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Law Department
Weekly Liquor License Application Report

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**STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL &
MAYORAL APPOINTED BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES**

Monday, April 17, 2023

5:00pm: [Human Services Committee](#) - CANCELED

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

7:00pm: [Housing & Community Development Committee](#)

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

6:00pm: [Participatory Budgeting Leadership Committee](#)

6:00pm: [M/W/EBE Development Committee](#) (Virtual)

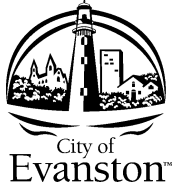
7:00pm: [Land Use Commission](#) – Special Meeting

Thursday, April 20, 2023

6:00pm: [Parks and Recreation Board](#)

Friday, April 21, 2023

No Meetings



Memorandum

To: Luke Stowe, City Manager

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

Subject: Bids/RFPs/RFQs Advertised during the Week April 10, 2023

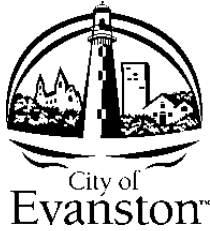
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The following is a list of projects that have been advertised and the anticipated date each will be presented to Council or Library Board.

Bids/RFPs/RFQs sent during the Week of April 10, 2023

Bid/RFP/RFQ Number/Name	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budgeted Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
Streetlight Improvement Project	Public Works	Work on this project includes removing existing underpass lighting, removing of roadway lighting, installing underpass lighting, installing full intersection lighting system, excavation, site restorations, maintenance of traffic plans and all incidental and collateral work necessary to complete the project as shown on the plans.	\$290,000	05/09	05/22
CMMS Procurement	Public Works	The City of Evanston's Public Works Agency is seeking proposals from experienced firms to supply and implement a Computerized Maintenance Management System for all City of Evanston infrastructure and assets, including the water treatment plant, water distribution system, sewer systems, streets and public right-of-way, trees, City-owned facilities, parks and	\$150,000	05/30	06/26

		the systems within them. The elected firm will also transfer and integrate Public Works and Facilities Management asset lists and work order history from VUEWorks and CityWorks softwares and formats.			
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Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Elizabeth Williams, Planning & Zoning Manager
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report
Date: April 14, 2023

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, April 6, 2023 - April 12, 2023

Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 8

Volume (number of cases pending staff review): 29

Zoning Reviews

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	1710 Sherman Avenue	D2	Building Permit	Interior renovation (Varsity Theater)	02/08/23	pending additional information from the applicant
1	1732 Sherman Avenue	D2	Building Permit	Interior remodel (Jamba Juice)	03/15/23	pending staff review, Administrative Review Use
1	1930 Sherman Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Remodel of multi-family dwelling	04/03/23	pending staff review
1	1304 Forest Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Interior and exterior rebuild and repairs due to storm damage	04/05/23	pending staff review
1	2346 Sherman Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Remove/replace deck	04/11/23	pending staff review
2	1516 Florence Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Paver patio and pergola	06/07/22	pending additional information and revisions from the applicant
2	1326 Hartrey Avenue	R4	Building Permit	Asphalt driveway	09/08/22	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1623 Crain Street	R3	Building Permit	Pergola	09/29/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	1800 Greenwood Street	R3	Building Permit	New 3-car garage/coach house	11/21/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	1806 Dempster Street	B1	Building Permit	Interior remodel of existing commercial space	11/23/22	pending submittal of a special use application from the applicant
2	1516 Dempster Street	R3	Building Permit	Additions, demolish existing garage, build new detached garage with ADU	03/10/23	non-compliant, pending revisions and/or variation application from the applicant
2	1613 Greenwood Street	R3	Building Permit	Interior remodel, renovate porches and garage	03/21/23	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	1114 Florence Avenue	R3	Building Permit	New 2-story 2-bedroom ADU	03/27/23	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	1809 Crain Street	R3	Building Permit	New 2-car garage	03/27/23	non-compliant, pending revisions and/or variation application from the applicant
2	1333 Church Street	R1	Building Permit	Remove/replace existing driveway, new brick patio, walk, reset brick border and flagstone areas	03/31/23	pending staff review
2	1227 Dodge Avenue	C1	Zoning Analysis	Establish live-work use	04/05/23	pending staff review
2	1324 Pitner Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Shed	04/06/23	pending staff review
2	909 Grey Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Replace garage	04/10/23	pending staff review
2	1727 Wesley Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Flagstone path and brick paver patio	04/10/23	pending staff review
3	1032 Michigan Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Remove portion of walk, new stone patio	06/29/22	non-compliant, pending submittal of minor variation application from the applicant
3	819 Judson Avenue	R5	Building Permit	New 9-unit multi-family dwelling	07/08/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
3	1221 Hinman Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Demolish existing roofed deck, construct new roofed deck and greenhouse	02/22/23	pending additional information from the applicant

3	833 Michigan Avenue	R5	Zoning Analysis	Convert existing porch into habitable space, 1-story addition, new porch and stair	03/31/23	pending staff review
3	604 Judson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage	04/04/23	pending staff review
3	1232 Judson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Replace garage with ADU	04/06/23	pending staff review
3	470 Sheridan Road	R5	Building Permit	Remove/replace rear decks	04/11/23	pending staff review
4	901 Maple Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Rooftop canopy	10/26/22	pending additional information from the applicant, DAPR
4	1015 Dempster Street	R5	Building Permit	Patio, steppers, and bluechip area	01/30/23	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1019 Dempster Street	R5	Building Permit	Remove and replace asphalt parking lot	03/24/23	pending additional information from the applicant
4	717 Main Street	B2/oDM	Building Permit	Interior remodel of existing commercial space for a massage therapy establishment	03/31/23	pending staff review
4	900 Church Street	RP	Zoning Analysis	Zoning verification letter (Church Street Plaza, 900-950 Church Street)	04/03/23	pending staff review
4	1206 Sherman Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Interior remodel, rear door and roof overhang	04/12/23	pending staff review
4	1227 Greenwood Street	R1	Building Permit	Remove/replace driveway, apron, and front sidewalk	04/12/23	pending staff review
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	2216 Foster Street	R3	Building Permit	Concrete parking pad	06/25/22	revisions submitted, pending staff review
5	2216 Foster Street	R3	Building Permit	Pergola	06/30/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1819 Hovland Court	R3	Building Permit	Parking pad and driveway	08/27/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1920 Asbury Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Rebuild porch	09/22/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	819 Foster Street	R5	Building Permit	Replace a/c	10/24/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1820 Brown Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Install pavers and shed	10/25/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1740 Hovland Court	R3	Building Permit	Pavers	12/30/22	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2017 Jackson Avenue	R5	Zoning Analysis	New multiple-family building with 24 dwelling units including 2 affordable units	02/27/23	non-compliant, pending revisions and additional information from the applicant
5	1739 Brown Avenue	R3	Building Permit	New single-family detached residence	03/13/23	revisions submitted, pending staff review
5	2110 Darrow Avenue	R3	Building Permit	New single-family detached residence with detached garage	03/22/23	revisions submitted, pending staff review
5	1735 Grey Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Garage	03/28/23	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
5	2124 Foster Street	R3	Building Permit	Shed	04/04/23	pending staff review
5	2225 Ridge Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Remove/replace antennas, replace associated wireless equipment cabinet, remove/replace chimney	04/06/23	pending staff review
5	2146 Asbury Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Convert basement to ADU and new rear porch to existing 2-unit dwelling	04/06/23	pending staff review
6	2417 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	Patio	04/02/22	pending revisions from the applicant

6	2634 Lawndale Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage	06/10/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	3700 Glenview Road	R1	Building Permit	Concrete slabs	08/17/22	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2146 McDaniel Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage, 18x20	10/07/22	non-compliant, pending minor variation application from the applicant
6	806 Lincoln Street	R1	Building Permit	Shed	10/21/22	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2639 Central Park Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Install generator	11/07/22	non-compliant, pending revision from the applicant
6	2632 Gross Point Road	B1a/oCS	Building Permit	Concrete patio (Skarkis)	11/17/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	2210 Forestview Road	R1	Building Permit	Interior remodel, replace 3-season room with new addition	02/03/23	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
6	2801 Central Street	B1a/oCS	Building Permit	Replace gravel with concrete to expand driveway	02/20/23	pending additional information from the applicant
6	3605 Thayer Street	R2	Building Permit	Replace existing patio	02/22/23	revisions submitted, pending staff review
6	3600 Hillside Road	R2	Building Permit	Addition (internal ADU)	02/28/23	non-compliant, pending minor variation application from the applicant
6	2649 Crawford Avenue	R2	Zoning Analysis	1-car garage or carport	03/07/23	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
6	2625 Elgin Road	R1	Building Permit	Detached garage	03/09/23	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	3440 Thayer Street	R2	Building Permit	New detached garage	03/21/23	non-compliant, pending submittal of a variation application or revisions from the applicant
6	2311 Prospect Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Brick patio	03/28/23	revisions submitted, pending staff review
6	3320 Harrison Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	Detached garage	03/31/23	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2706 Hartzell Street	R1	Building Permit	Replace front entrance	04/06/23	pending staff review
6	2527 Princeton Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Front walk adjustments, install steppers and graveled areas	04/07/23	pending staff review
6	3039 Hartzell Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	Front porch	04/10/23	pending staff review
6	2232 Central Park Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition and screened-in porch	04/11/23	pending staff review
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	2202 Hartrey Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Paver patio	07/09/22	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
7	2129 Pioneer Road	R1	Building Permit	Shed	09/13/22	pending revisions from the applicant
7	2636 Green Bay Road	C2/oCSC, R4	Zoning Analysis	Planned Development, new 5-story multi-family dwelling with 51 dwellings, parking and 3 new 4-story townhomes along Prairie Avenue	10/18/22	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2653 Broadway Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage	11/09/22	revisions submitted, pending staff review

7	2122 Noyes street	R1	Building Permit	2nd story addition	02/17/23	non-compliant, pending minor variation application from the applicant
7	12 Milburn Park	R1	Building Permit	Expand sport court, new terraces	02/21/23	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2742 Garrison Avenue	R1	Building Permit	2-story addition, demolish existing 1-car detached garage and construct new 1-car detached garage, remove patio	03/13/23	revisions submitted, pending staff review
7	2214 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	Mini split inverter system	03/28/23	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2637 Stewart Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Convert multi-family dwelling to single-family dwelling, new porch, and addition	03/30/23	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1701 Central Street	B1a/oCS	Building Permit	Interior remodel of existing commercial space for a massage therapy establishment	03/31/23	pending staff review
7	2744 Ridge Avenue	R1	Building Permit	New garage and convert existing garage to a porch	04/11/23	pending staff review
7	1928 Harrison Avenue	B1a/oCS	Building Permit	Interior remodel on 2 floors, build out of a garden unit	04/12/23	pending staff review
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	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
8	2021 Autobarn Place, Unit C	I2	Building Permit	Interior remodel for new offices and food production (Whole and Free Foods)	11/16/22	pending revisions from the applicant
8	2102 Dobson Street	R2	Building Permit	New garage	11/21/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
8	2201 Autobarn Place	I2	Zoning Analysis	2 signs for Autobarn Nissan	01/09/23	pending additional information from the applicant
8	720 Mulford Street	R2	Zoning Analysis	Zoning verification letter of a 3-flat dwelling	04/07/23	pending staff review
8	100 Chicago Avenue	B3	Building Permit	Interior remodel for a cannabis dispensary and bakery with seating	04/12/23	pending special use application
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	1224 Washington Street	R3	Building Permit	Replace brick patio with pavers	10/07/22	pending additional information and revisions from the applicant
9	732 Ridge Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Roof mounted solar panels	02/10/23	pending additional information from the applicant
9	822 South Boulevard	R1	Building Permit	Detached garage	03/07/23	pending revisions from the applicant
9	910 Monroe Street	R1	Building Permit	New porch, replace roof, install siding, and replace windows	03/21/23	pending additional information from the applicant
9	2105 Seward Street	R2	Building Permit	Replace garage	03/24/23	revisions submitted, pending staff review
9	2017 Seward Street	R2	Building Permit	Mudroom addition, covering deck	03/29/23	pending staff review
9	705 Reba Place	R5	Building Permit	Interior remodel	03/31/23	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 Chicago Avenue	D4	Planned Development	15-story mixed-use building with ground floor retail, 140 dwelling units, and 57 parking spaces in an enclosed parking garage	12/28/22	pending P&D, date to be determined
1	710 Church Street	D3	Special Use	Special use for a Resale Establishment	02/14/23	pending staff review
4	620 Grove Street	D2	Special Use	Convenience Store	07/25/22	Pending new application from the applicant
4	1566 Oak Street	R6	Special Use	Special Use for a Rooming House (Connections for the Homeless, Margarita Inn)	09/28/22	pending LUC 04/26/23
4	1555 Oak Avenue	R6	Special Use	Special Use with use determination to LUC for an Apartment Hotel	10/18/22	pending P&D 04/24/23
5	1801-1815 Church Street	B2/oWE	Subdivision	Plat of subdivision creating 2 lots related to the HODC and Mt. Pisgah projects approved by City Council on 04/10/23	11/15/22	pending additional information from the applicants
5	2000 Simpson Street	OS	Major Variation	Floor Area Ratio (FAR), building height, parking location, and loading in order to construct a new 3-story K-8 school with parking and athletic field (Dist. 65 5th Ward School)	03/16/23	pending LUC 04/19/23
5	831 Foster Avenue	B1	Special Use	Special Use for a convenience store	04/11/23	pending staff review
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 05/10/23
6	3600 Hillside Road	R2	Minor Variation	Front yard setback for 1-story and 2nd-story additions, 2nd story addition is an internal ADU	03/27/23	determination after 04/18/23
6	2146 McDaniel Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot coverage for constructing a 18'x20' detached garage	03/31/23	determination after 04/25/23
7	1501 Central St	U2	Text Amendment	Modification to U2 uses to allow additional concerts and community events	01/27/23	pending LUC
7	2122 Noyes Street	R1	Minor Variation	Interior side yard setback at 2nd story addition	03/22/23	determination after 04/12/23
8	100 Chicago Avenue	B3	Special Use	Special Use for Cannabis Dispensary and a Type-2 Restaurant, bakery with seating	03/07/23	pending P&D



To: Luke Stowe, City Manager

From: Gary Gerdes, Interim Building and Inspection Services Division Manager

Subject: Weekly Field Inspection Report

Date: April 14, 2023

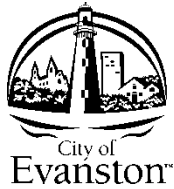
Enclosed is the weekly summary report of field inspections for construction projects under special monitoring. The report includes the ward, property address, type of construction, inspector notes, and date received.

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

Weekly Field Inspection Report

24-Apr-23

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
2	1101 Church Street	Multi-Family Building	The dumpster has been moved closer to the curb and no longer is obstructing traffic. Control measures were in place for continued building paint removal including crews for debris cleanup. Alleyway was unobstructed.	4/13/2023
4	1012 Church Street Northlight Theater	Assembly	No changes. Site and Northlight signage is in good condition. No construction fence at this time.	4/13/2023
2	2030 Greenwood Street	Multi-Family Building	Repairs to the construction fence have been made. Job site is orderly and debris is under control.	4/13/2023
4	718 Main Street	Mixed Use Building Residential/Retail	Cranes have been moved to the alley for operation causing deliveries to take place on Main Street. During the site inspection, a delivery took place without a flagger present. Contractor was notified that a flagger must be present during delivery due to impact to vehicular traffic.	4/13/2023
8	100 Chicago Avenue Gateway	Mixed Use Building Residential/Retail	No changes. A small amount of concrete debris remains on the north end of the property. Equipment has been removed. Site is in good condition.	4/13/2023
1	710 Clark Street	Office Building	Construction fence, fabric and silt fence are in good condition. Streets and alley around the project are clean and clear. Second floor construction has begun.	4/13/2023
5	Emerson and Jackson Demolition Site	Residential	Fire Department training exercises continue at the site. Fence contractor has been contacted for fabric repair. Water and sewer disconnect applications for the seven houses are under review.	4/13/2023



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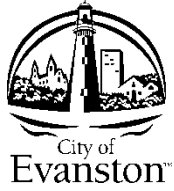
To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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

Subject: Food Establishment License Application Weekly Report

Date: April 14, 2023

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
4	1009 Davis St	CM Chicken	4/11/2023	Pending Building Permit Application
2	1701 Maple Ave	Egg Harbor	4/4/2023	Pending Building Permit Issuance
5	830 Foster St	Foster Food & Deli	4/3/2023	Pending Building Permit Issuance
8	100 Chicago Ave	West Town Bakery – Evanston	3/27/2023	Pending Building Permit Issuance
1	1732 Sherman Ave	Jamba Juice	3/16/2023	Pending Building Permit Issuance
8	321 Howard St	Howard Grocery & Deli	3/9/2023	Pending Building Permit Issuance
2	1707 Maple Ave	Bitter Blossom/Evanston Games and Café	1/11/2023	Pending Building Permit Issuance
4	620 Grove St	Grove Street In and Out	12/8/2022	Pending Zoning
6	3330 Central St	Subway	11/17/2022	Change of Ownership – Pending Inspections
2	1160 Dodge Ave	Buffalo Wild Wings Go	8/11/2022	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
4	950 Church St	Big Wig Tacos	7/22/2022	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
2	1711 Maple Ave	Sky Zone/Circus Trix	7/13/2022	Pending Building Permit Issuance
1	720 Clark St	Mas Salud	7/7/2022	Building Permit Issued – Pending CO
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	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
8	633 Howard St	Estacion	2/4/2020	License Approved – Pending Issuance



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Brian George, Assistant City Attorney

Subject: Weekly Liquor License Application Report

Date: April 14, 2023

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 April 14, 2023

WARD	BUSINESS NAME	BUSINESS ADDRESS	LIQUOR CLASS	CLASS DESCRIPTION	PROCESSED HOURS for LIQUOR SALES	STATUS
4	Bitter Blossom	1707 Maple Ave. Evanston, IL 60201	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 Review Board on April 24th



DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY BRIEFING

By NWMC Executive Director Mark L. Fowler



WEEK ENDING APRIL 14, 2023

NWMC Board Forwards Leadership Slate, Approves FY2023-2024 Budget

Thank you to the twenty-five members who attended the April 12 Board meeting. The membership unanimously approved the FY2023-2024 NWMC Budget, which does not raise membership dues for the tenth consecutive year. While the Conference remains in a strong financial position, the approved budget included recommendations to update the Conference's Reserve Fund Policy and for the Finance Committee to determine future membership dues scenarios.

The Board forwarded the proposed slate of officers for FY2023-2024 for election at the May 10 meeting. Members also unanimously approved a service resolution honoring the contributions of *Buffalo Grove Village President Beverly Sussman* to the organization and received an update on the final weeks of the General Assembly session (see article below) *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

General Assembly Returns to Springfield Next Week – Be Ready

The General Assembly returns to Springfield next week and faces a tight five-week schedule before adjournment. One of the first items on the agenda is the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF). On Tuesday, April 18 at 4:00 p.m., the House Cities & Villages Committee will hold a subject matter hearing on LGDF. Mayors representing the suburbs and downstate will present testimony describing the need for LGDF. A notice to file witness slips will be sent prior to the hearing.

Additionally, a number of significant bills affecting local governments will begin to work their way through the committee process in the opposite chamber. The deadline to advance bills out of committee is April 28 in both chambers. A trio of Prevailing Wage Act expansion bills have advanced to the Senate: [House Bill 2845](#) (Rep. Dave Vella, Sen. Meg Loughran Cappel), [House Bill 3370](#) (Rep. Dave Vella, Sen. Cristina Castro) and [House Bill 3792](#) (Rep. Larry Walsh, Jr., Sen. Steve Stadelman). The NWMC is opposed to these bills because they expand the definition of "public works" under the Prevailing Wage Act and threaten a community's ability to control costs.

In the House, [Senate Bill 1476](#) (Sen. Ann Gillespie, Rep. Abdelnasser Rashid), which makes changes to affordable housing provisions, is scheduled for a House Housing Committee hearing at 10:00 a.m. on April 19. Also, [Senate Bill 2368](#) (Sen. David Koehler, Rep. Gregg Johnson) establishes "baseline" building code standards for commercial and residential construction, is awaiting committee assignment.

Please be ready to respond to NWMC Legislative Action Alerts in these final five weeks of session. The General Assembly is scheduled to adjourn on May 19. *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury, Chris Staron*

Last Chance to Register Vehicles for the April 18 NWMC Auction

Thank you to *Evanston, Lincolnwood, Richton Park, Tinley Park and Willowbrook* for registering vehicles to be sold at the April 18 NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction. The event will begin at noon at America's Auto Auction in Crestwood. Please note that vehicles and equipment can be listed for disposal at the NWMC auction right up to the morning of the auction day. Sell them now to get a fresh start and please keep in mind that a portion of the proceeds help support the operations of the organization. For questions or additional information, please contact staff or Berry Ellis, 312-371-5993 or berry.ellis@americasautoauction.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

SPC Announces GraybaR Contract Extension

The SPC is pleased to announce a contract extension for SPC Contract #192 (Electrical Lighting, Data/Communication, Networking, Wireless, Security and Related MRO Supplies and Services) to GraybaR of St. Louis, MO via piggybacking onto the Omnia Partners Contract #EV2370. The extension runs through January 31, 2024 and may then be renewed annually for the duration of the contract, which expires January 31, 2029. For

questions or additional information, please contact staff or John Sepiol, 317-710-8592 or John.Sepiol@graybar.com.
Staff contact: Ellen Dayan

Lead Service Line Inventory Grant Application Now Open

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) announced a new funding opportunity to assist communities in meeting requirements in the [Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act](#). The Lead Service Line inventory (LSLI) Grant Program offers grants to local governments ranging from \$20,00-\$50,000 to fund the creation of complete lead service line inventory. The LSLI Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) and all required forms and information are on the [IEPA LSLI Grant Opportunity webpage](#). Applicants must pre-qualify through the [Grant Accountability and Transparency Act \(GATA\) Grantee Portal](#). Apply by 1:00 p.m. on April 25. For assistance, please contact Lanina Clark, Project Manager of the Infrastructure Financial Assistance Section of the IEPA, at (217)782-2027 or Lanina.Clark@illinois.gov. Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota

Safe Streets and Roads for All FY 2023 NOFO Announced

The U.S. Department of Transportation has announced a [Notice of Funding Opportunity](#) for the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program for Fiscal Year 2023. The SS4A program funds regional and local initiatives through grants to prevent deaths and serious injuries on our nation's roadways. Upcoming "How to Apply" webinars will occur on April 26, noon – 1:30 p.m. for [Action Plans](#); April 27, 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. for [Supplemental Planning and Demonstration Activities](#) and May 2, 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. for [Implementation Grants](#). The deadline for applications is 4:00 p.m. Monday, July 10. Late applications will not be accepted. For more information, please visit the [Safe Streets and Roads for All \(SS4A\) website](#), and for any questions, please contact SS4a@dot.gov. Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota

FLIP Summer Program for High School Students Announced

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) is now accepting applications for its 2023 [Future Leaders in Planning](#) (FLIP) program. FLIP is a free summer program for high school students to explore the field of urban planning and learn about the issues that shape our region and communities. The program will run from Monday, July 10, through Friday, July 14 at CMAP's office in downtown Chicago and additional locations around the region. FLIP is open to high school students in Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will counties. Students must [apply online](#) by Tuesday, May 30. To learn more please visit the [CMAP website](#). Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota

Wildlife Crossing Discretionary Grant Pilot Program

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) has announced the NOFO for the [Wildlife Crossing Pilot Program](#) (WCPP). The new WCPP is a \$350 million pilot program aimed at protecting wildlife, reducing the number of Wildlife Vehicle Collisions (WVC) and improving habitat connectivity for terrestrial and aquatic species. It has been found that there are over 1 million WVCs annually nationwide, posing a serious danger to wildlife and human safety, resulting in tens of thousands of serious injuries and hundreds of fatalities on U.S. roadways. WCPP grants are available for all project activities, including but not limited to research, planning, design, and construction. The total amount of funding available in this NOFO is up to \$111,850,000, covering FFY2022 and FFY2023. There is no minimum or maximum award size, but it is anticipated that awards may range from \$200,000 to \$20 million, although awards may be made outside this range. Applicants can find detailed program information, eligibility requirements, key provisions, and application via the following [link](#). Applications from eligible entities must be submitted by 10:59 p.m. on August 1, through [Grants.gov](#). For further information regarding this notice, please contact the USDOT Office at wildlifecrossings@dot.gov. Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota

Time Running Out to Enroll in the NWMC Employee Assistance Program

As previously reported, the Northwest Municipal Conference is again pleased to offer the opportunity to enroll in the NWMC Employee Assistance Program (EAP) to municipalities, townships, park districts and libraries. TELUS Health (formerly LifeWorks) is the current EAP provider and offers confidential, cost free referrals and assessment services twenty-four hours a day for employees and their families. Areas of assistance include dealing with issues such as substance abuse, mental health, family and marital problems, financial and legal matters.

As part of the contract renewal, TELUS Health requested an 8% inflationary increase. This represents the first requested increase since 2018, during which time TELUS Health/LifeWorks has made significant operational and service improvements. On March 15, the NWMC Board of Directors approved the contract renewal with the increase

to be divided evenly between participating entities and the NWMC. Therefore, the fee will increase by 4% to \$24.44 per employee per year. The effective date of the agreement is May 1, 2023 to April 30, 2024.

If your community is not currently a member of the EAP program and would like to join or obtain additional information, please contact Marina Durso, 847-296-9200, ext. 122 or mdurso@nwmc-cog.org. Enrollment information and participation forms were sent to all members on March 22. *Staff contact: Marina Durso*

Meetings and Events

NWMC Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee will meet Tuesday, April 18 at 10:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and via videoconference.

North Shore Council of Mayors Technical Committee will meet Thursday, April 20 at 8:30 a.m. via videoconference.

NWMC Legislative Committee will meet Wednesday, April 26 at 8:30 a.m. via videoconference. **Please note date change.**

NWMC Transportation Committee will meet Thursday, April 27 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and via videoconference.

Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee will meet Friday, April 28 at 8:30 a.m. at the *Barrington Village Hall*.

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