



Memorandum

To: Mayor Biss and Members of the City Council
From: Luke Stowe, City Manager
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update
Date: May 5, 2023

STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT

Weekly Report for May 1, 2023 – May 5, 2023

City Manager's Office
Weekly Bids Advertised

Community Development
Weekly Zoning Report
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**STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL &
MAYORAL APPOINTED BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES**

Monday, May 8, 2023

5:00 PM: [Administration & Public Works Committee](#)

6:00 PM: [Planning & Development Committee](#)

7:00 PM: [City Council](#)

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

5:00 PM: [Finance and Budget Committee](#)

7:00 PM: [Preservation Commission](#)

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

None

Thursday, May 11, 2023

8:00 AM: [Commission on Aging and Disabilities Meeting](#)

7:00 PM: [Social Services Committee – CANCELED](#)

Friday, May 12, 2023

7:15 AM: [Utilities Commission](#)



Memorandum

To: Luke Stowe, City Manager

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

Subject: Bids/RFPs/RFQs Advertised during the Week May 1, 2023

Date: May 5, 2023

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 May 1, 2023

Bid/RFP/RFQ Number/Name	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budgeted Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
2023 Alley Improvements Project	Public Works	Work on this project includes all materials, equipment and services for paving various alleys along with all incidental restoration work in the City of Evanston. Bidders must be prequalified by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and present an IDOT issued "Certificate of Eligibility" with the bid proposal.	\$1,495,000	06/06	06/26



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Elizabeth Williams, Planning & Zoning Manager
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report
Date: May 5, 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 27, 2023 - May 3, 2023

Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 8

Volume (number of cases pending staff review): 19

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	revisions submitted, pending staff review
1	2346 Sherman Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Remove/replace deck	04/11/23	pending revisions from the applicant
1	1710 Orrington Avenue	D3	Building Permit	Interior remodel (Omni Orrington Hotel)	04/28/23	pending staff review
1	1745 Hinman Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Gravel pad with paver edge	05/03/23	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	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 additional information from the applicant
2	1324 Pitner Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Shed	04/06/23	revisions submitted, pending staff review
2	909 Grey Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Replace garage	04/10/23	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	1626 Dempster Street	R3	Building Permit	20x20 detached garage	04/13/23	non-compliant, pending submittal of minor variation application from the applicant
2	817 Brown Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Addition	04/18/23	non-compliant, pending additions from the applicant
2	1628 Fowler Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Exterior and interior remodel of 2-flat	04/19/23	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1122 Hartrey Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Patio	04/26/23	pending staff review
2	1890 Maple Avenue	RP	Zoning Analysis	Zoning verification letter	05/03/23	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	1232 Judson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Replace garage with ADU	04/06/23	pending additional information from the applicant
3	1404 Judson Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Addition and interior remodel to add basement ADU and 2 roomers	04/19/23	pending additional information from the applicant
3	604 Judson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage	04/20/23	revisions submitted, pending staff review
3	1001 Forest Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Interior renovation	04/28/23	pending staff review
3	1232 Judson Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Demolish garage and construct new garage with ADU	05/01/23	pending additional information from the applicant
4	901 Maple Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Rooftop canopy	10/26/22	pending additional information from the applicant
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	revisions submitted, pending staff review
4	717 Main Street	B2/oDM	Building Permit	Interior remodel of existing commercial space for a massage therapy establishment	03/31/23	pending Administrative Review Use review
4	1118 Elmwood Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Remove concrete walk, install paver walk and patio	04/18/23	revisions submitted, pending staff review
4	1424 Elinor Place	R1	Zoning Analysis	Garage with ADU	04/19/23	pending additional information from the applicant
4	808 Main Street	B1/oDM	Building Permit	Interior basement remodel to legalize an ADU	05/03/23	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	pending additional information from the applicant
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	non-compliant, pending minor variation application
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 additional information from the applicant
5	2146 Asbury Avenue	R3	Zoning Analysis	Convert basement to ADU and new rear porch to existing 2-unit dwelling	04/06/23	pending additional information from the applicant

5	1715 McDaniel Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Enlarge porch/deck	04/26/23	pending revisions from the applicant
5	1827 Lyons Street	R4	Building Permit	Reuild porch, deck, and stairs	05/02/23	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	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	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	pending revisions from the applicant
6	3440 Thayer Street	R2	Building Permit	New detached garage	03/21/23	non-compliant, pending minor variation application from the applicant
6	2311 Prospect Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Brick patio	03/28/23	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2010 Bennett Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Shed	04/13/23	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2617 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	Paver patio	04/18/23	revisions submitted, pending staff review
6	2440 Prospect Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	2-car attached garage	04/24/23	pending staff review
6	2915 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	Replace stoop and steps	04/28/23	pending staff review
6	2418 Harrison Street	R1	Building Permit	Deck	05/03/23	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	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	revisions submitted, pending staff review
7	1701 Central Street	B1a/oCS	Building Permit	Interior remodel of existing commercial space for a massage therapy establishment	03/31/23	pending Administrative Review Use review
7	1918 Noyes Street	R1	Building Permit	2 shipping container homes	04/14/23	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	1999 Campus Drive	U3	Building Permit	Plaza, covered platform, ADA and electric vehicle parking spaces (NU - east lawn)	04/21/23	pending staff review
7	722 Clinton Place	R1	Building Permit	Enlarge deck and replace decking	04/26/23	pending staff review
7	1030 Central Street	OS	Building Permit	Renovation of golf course including regrading and drainage improvements (Canel Shores Golf Course - City of Evanston)	04/28/23	pending staff review
7	2028 Lincoln Street	R1	Building Permit	Remove walk, install paver walk and patio	04/28/23	pending staff review
7	1310 Rosalie Street	R1	Building Permit	Hot tub	05/02/23	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	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	revisions submitted, pending staff review
9	2017 Seward Street	R2	Building Permit	Mudroom addition, covering deck	03/29/23	pending additional information from the applicant
9	710 Madison Street	R2	Zoning Analysis	Front porch	04/24/23	pending additional information from the applicant
9	1210 South Boulevard	R2	Zoning Analysis	Detached garage on vacant lots behind property	05/01/23	pending staff review
9	1222 Washington Street	R3	Zoning Analysis	New single-family dwelling and detached ADU	05/01/23	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 additional information from the applicant
2	1806 Dempster Street	B1	Special Use	Special use for a Type-2 Restaurant	04/13/23	pending LUC 05/24/23
3	504 South Boulevard	R4	Planned Development	New 5-story multi-family mixed-income building with 60 dwelling units	04/13/23	pending additional information from the applicant, LUC 06/14/23
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 CC 05/08/23
4	1555 Oak Avenue	R6	Special Use	Special Use with use determination to LUC for an Apartment Hotel	10/18/22	pending P&D 05/08/23
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 P&D 05/08/23
5	831 Foster Avenue	B1	Special Use	Special Use for a convenience store	04/11/23	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1739 Brown Avenue	R3	Minor Variation	Interior side yard setbacks to new single-family dwelling and roof overhang	04/20/23	determination after 05/08/23
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	3440 Thayer Street	R2	Minor Variation	Accessory building rear yard coverage and distance between accessory and principal buildings	04/12/23	determination after 05/08/23
6	3039 Hartzell Street	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot coverage for front porch	04/25/23	determination after 05/18/23
6	3510 Hillside Road	R2	Fence Variation	8' tall fence along rear property line	05/02/23	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1501 Central St	U2	Text Amendment	Modification to U2 uses to allow additional concerts and community events	01/27/23	pending LUC, date to be determined
7	2435 Jackson Avenue	R1	Fence Variation	Front yard fence, 4' tall wood	04/25/23	determination after 05/12/23
7	2428 Ewing Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Street side setback to a 2-story addition to an existing detached garage	04/25/23	determination after 05/08/23
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 05/08/23



To: Luke Stowe, City Manager
From: David Wilson, HVAC Building Inspector
Subject: Weekly Field Inspection Report
Date: May 5, 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 davidwilson@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.

Weekly Field Inspection Report

5-May-23

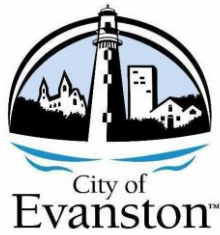
Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
2	1101 Church Street	Multi-Family Building	The construction fence and fabric around the site are in good condition. Alleyway remains clear of obstructions and the lift equipment is no longer being stored onsite. Sidewalk remains closed and properly blocked off.	5/5/2023
4	1012 Church Street Northlight Theater	Assembly	No changes. Site and Northlight signage are in good condition. No construction fence at this time.	5/5/2023
2	2030 Greenwood Street	Multi-Family Building	Paving of the main driveway is complete. Nicor gas service upgrade to the building has begun on Greenwood Street. Proper signage and protection is in place for the service work. The General Contractor has been contacted and reminded to keep the area clean.	5/5/2023
4	718 Main Street	Mixed Use Building Residential/Retail	The construction fence is still in place around the entire site. All debris around the entrance on Main Street has been addressed. The crane has moved to the Northeast side of the project on Main Street.	5/5/2023
8	100 Chicago Avenue Gateway	Mixed Use Building Residential/Retail	Final exterior work on the building has begun. Site is in good condition.	5/5/2023
1	710 Clark Street	Office Building	All storm drains around the site have been properly protected with silt screens. Construction fence and fabric are in good condition and the site is clear of debris.	5/5/2023
5	Emerson and Jackson Demolition Site	Residential	No changes. Construction fence is in good condition.	5/5/2023



To: Luke Stowe, City Manager
From: Angela Butler, Permit Services Supervisor
Subject: Monthly Construction Valuation and Permit Fee Report
Date: May 5, 2023

Enclosed is the monthly construction valuation and permit fee report. The report compares current month and year-to-date totals with those from 2022.

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



DATE: May 5, 2023
 TO: Luke Stowe, City Manager
 FROM: Angela Butler, Permit Services Supervisor
 SUBJECT: Construction Valuation and Permit Fee Report for April, 2023

BUILDING PERMIT FEES

Total Permit Fees Collected for the Month of April 2023	\$ 508,764
Total Permit Fees Collected Fiscal Year 2023	\$ 1,394,830
Total Permit fees Collected for the Month of April 2022	\$ 167,224
Total Permit Fees Collected Fiscal Year 2022	971,772

CONSTRUCTION VALUES

TOTAL CONSTRUCTION VALUE FOR APRIL 2023	\$ 21,372,597
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION VALUE FISCAL YEAR 2023	\$ 62,539,202
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION VALUE FOR APRIL 2022	\$ 12,174,611
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION VALUE FISCAL YEAR 2022	\$ 56,460,458



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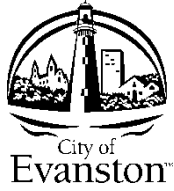
To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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

Subject: Food Establishment License Application Weekly Report

Date: May 5, 2023

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
2	921 Church St	Devil Dawgs	4/28/2023	Pending Building Permit Issuance
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
2	1711 Maple Ave	Sky Zone/Circus Trix	7/13/2022	Pending Building Permit Issuance
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



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Brian George, Assistant City Attorney

Subject: Weekly Liquor License Application Report

Date: May 5, 2023

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

Please contact me at (847) 866-2937 or liquorlicense@cityofevanston.org if you have any questions or need additional information.



DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY BRIEFING

By NWMC Executive Director Mark L. Fowler



WEEK ENDING MAY 5, 2023

Executive Board Sets May 10 Membership Meeting Agenda

The NWMC Executive Board met Wednesday to approve items for consideration by the full membership at the May 10 NWMC Board meeting. Highlighting the agenda will be the election of the following slate of NWMC officers for FY2023-2024:

President: *Tom Dailly*
Mayor, Village of Schaumburg

Vice-President: *Rod Craig*
Mayor, Village of Hanover Park

Secretary: *Donna Johnson*
Mayor, Village of Libertyville

Treasurer: *John Lockerby*
Manager, Village of Skokie

The officers will be sworn in at the June 14 NWMC Gala at the Hyatt Regency *Deerfield* (see article below).

In other business, the Board will discuss the latest from Springfield, including efforts to restore the Local Government Distributive Fund, as the General Assembly heads to the May 19 scheduled adjournment of the spring session. Staff will present the fourth quarter update of the FY22-23 NWMC Work Plan and the Board will consider approval of the FY23-24 plan. Finally, members of the North Shore Council of Mayors will consider program adjustment recommendations from its technical committee. We look forward to seeing you all next week! *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

RSVP Today for the NWMC Gala

The invitations are out for the NWMC Annual Gala, scheduled for Wednesday, June 14 at the Hyatt Regency in *Deerfield*. Participants will celebrate the NWMC's 65th anniversary and inaugurate the organization's FY2023-2024 officers. The evening begins with the reception at 6:00 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP by Friday, June 2 to Marina Durso mdurso@nwmc-cog.org. *Staff contact: Marina Durso*

General Assembly Nearing Home Stretch

With just two weeks until the scheduled adjournment of the General Assembly, much work remains to be done including the passage of a state budget. After last Friday's committee deadline in both chambers, attention this week moved to floor action. The third reading deadline for bills from the opposite chamber is May 11 in the Senate and May 12 in the House. Final adjournment of the General Assembly is scheduled for May 19. The Conference will publish a full [NWMC Legislative Update](#) early next week with expectations and action items for the remainder of session.

After meeting all legislative deadlines to date, a number of significant bills affecting local governments will be looking for passage over the next two weeks. As was highlighted in a [NWMC Action Alert](#) sent on Wednesday, a trio of Prevailing Wage Act expansion bills advanced to the Senate floor. The NWMC is opposed to [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) because these bills expand the definition of "public works" under the Prevailing Wage Act and threaten a community's ability to control costs. While House Bill 3370 passed the Senate late Thursday afternoon, we encourage members to contact their Senators to express their opposition to

the other two bills.

As local governments continue to engage lawmakers on the state budget, the effort to restore the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) finds itself among many competing interests. With little time remaining in session, we encourage members to participate in the Invest in Communities campaign to restore LGDF. Please visit InvestInCommunities.org and consider using social media and other outlets to direct your citizens to this resource. *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury, Chris Staron*

SPC Vendor Showcase Updates

As previously reported, the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) is excited to announce that the SPC Vendor Showcase will be held on Wednesday, July 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Oakton College, 1600 E. Golf Road in *Des Plaines*. This is a free event for attendees and thanks to our partners at Sourcewell, anyone can attend their presentation and earn one contact hour toward Continuing Education Units (CEUs) with The Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP).

Please note that the Vendor Showcase will now be held in adjoining Rooms 1608 and 1610 with parking available in Lot C. The SPC Vendor Showcase schedule has also been updated as follows:

10:00 a.m. – noon: SPC Vendor Showcase
Vehicle demonstrations in Parking Lot C
Noon – 1:00 p.m.: Sourcewell Presentation and Box Lunch
Collaboration: Bypass and Master Internal Disaster to Build Your Dream Team
Presented by Sourcewell Client Solutions Advisor Natalie Morgan

The SPC Vendor Showcase presents a unique opportunity for local government officials from the SPC's participating councils of government and others to meet one-on-one with SPC vendors at one time. Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC), DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference (DMMC), South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association (SSMMA), and Will County Governmental League (WCGL) members and staff will be onsite to learn about the products, services and solutions offered by the SPC to help you better serve your communities. Vendors will have individual display areas where you can discuss all of your joint purchasing needs.

Please register for the event by visiting the [SPC Vendor Fair Attendee Registration](#) page. Please contact NWMC Purchasing Director Ellen Dayan, 847-296-9203 or edayan@nwmc-cog.org with any questions. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Register Today for the IDOT Special Programs Assistance Conference

On Tuesday, May 23 and Wednesday, May 24, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will hold a Special Programs Assistance Conference at the IDOT District 1 office in *Schaumburg*, 201 Center Court. The morning session on May 23 will provide general information about three programs: the Economic Development Program (EDP); the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP); and, the Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS). During the afternoon of May 23 and all day on May 24, IDOT staff will be available by appointment to discuss specific projects and applications in a one-on-one setting. Appointments will be held in 20-minute slots and attendees are encouraged to register in advance and bring any materials related to the project and/or application. Registration for this event can be found [here](#). *Staff contact: Eric Czarnota*

IDOT Announces HSIP Call for Projects

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that it will allocate \$31.3 million to its Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) for FY 2025 to address serious and fatal crashes on local highways. Projects that protect vulnerable road users like pedestrians and cyclists and High-Risk Rural Road (HRRR) projects will be prioritized. IDOT is also prioritizing projects that address the 2022 Illinois Strategic Highway Safety Plan emphasis areas, such as hazardous intersections, roadway departures, and conflicts with pedestrians. The program provides a maximum of 90% of the eligible improvement cost per project, and all phases of a safety improvement project are eligible.

Interested parties can find a full list of eligible projects and submission requirements in [IDOT's Circular Letter](#) or on

the [HSIP website](#). Applications will be accepted through Friday, June 30, and successful applicants will be notified in September.

IDOT Bureau of Local Roads and Streets and the Bureau of Safety Programs and Engineering will host a HSIP [webinar](#) on Thursday, May 11, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Any additional questions regarding the Local HSIP can be directed to Local Program Development Engineer Stephane B. Seck-Birhame, Bablibile.Seck@illinois.gov or 217-782-3972. *Staff contact: Eric Czarnota*

NWMC Members to Benefit from Metra’s 2023 Construction Program

This week, Metra announced a variety of construction projects in 2023 to help ensure that customers can continue to enjoy safe and reliable service. Metra is focusing nearly a quarter of its annual capital spending (\$119.5 million) on rebuilding and renewing station facilities. Improvements impacting NWMC member communities include:

Station Improvements:

- *Grayslake* – platform replacement (Milwaukee District North Line)
- *Kenilworth* – rehab and upgrade station facilities (Union Pacific North Line)

Crossing Replacements:

- *Bannockburn* – Half Day Road (Milwaukee District North Line)
- *Barrington* – Main/Cook Street (Union Pacific Northwest Line)
- *Des Plaines* – Graceland Avenue (Union Pacific Northwest Line)
- *Lake Forest* – Everett Road (Milwaukee District North Line)
- *Niles* – Touhy Avenue (Milwaukee District North Line)

Track Projects:

- *Hanover Park* – install signalized pedestrian crossing (Milwaukee District West Line)
- *Highland Park* to Chicago – replace 41,000 ties (Union Pacific North Line)
- *Lake Forest* – install new crossovers (Milwaukee District North Line)
- *Libertyville* – replace 2,500 feet of track to fix worn curves (Milwaukee District North Line)

Construction work began the first week of April and will continue through the fall, weather permitting. The construction schedule for all projects will be posted on the [Metra website](#) and a complete list of projects in the region can be found [here](#). *Staff contact: Eric Czarnota*

Meetings and Events

NWMC Board of Directors will meet Wednesday, May 10 at 7:00 p.m. at the NWMC office and via videoconference.

NWMC Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee will meet Tuesday, May 16 at 10:30 a.m. via videoconference.

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

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

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