



# Memorandum

To: Mayor Biss and Members of the City Council  
From: Luke Stowe, City Manager  
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update  
Date: November 10, 2023

## **STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT**

Weekly Report for November 6, 2023 – November 10, 2023

### **City Manager's Office**

No Weekly Bids

### **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, November 13, 2023**

4:00 PM: [Referrals Committee](#)

4:30 PM: [Administration & Public Works Committee](#)

5:00 PM: [City Council](#)

6:00 PM: [Public Hearing for Howard Street SSA #10](#)

**Tuesday, November 14, 2023**

2:00 PM: [Board of Ethics](#)

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

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

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

**Wednesday, November 15, 2023**

5:30 PM: [Animal Welfare Board Meeting](#)

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

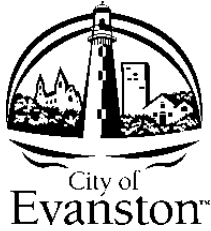
**Thursday, November 16, 2023**

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

6:30 PM: [Equity and Empowerment Commission](#)

**Friday, November 17, 2023**

No Meetings



## Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Elizabeth Williams, Planning & Zoning Manager  
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report  
Date: November 10, 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](mailto:ewilliams@cityofevanston.org) if you have any questions or need additional information.

**Cases Received and Pending, November 2, 2023 - November 8, 2023**

**Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 5**

**Volume (number of cases pending staff review): 9**

**Zoning Reviews**

<b>Ward</b>	<b>Property Address</b>	<b>Zoning</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Project Description</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Status</b>
1	733 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	Patio	08/29/23	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
1	519 Davis Street	D1	Building Permit	Interior renovation of existing commercial space for restaurant (La Cocinita)	10/17/23	pending clarification from applicant, appears to be a duplicate permit submittal
1	523 Davis Street	D1	Building Permit	Interior renovation of existing commercial space for cleaners	10/17/23	pending clarification from applicant, appears to be a duplicate permit submittal
2	1326 Hartrey Avenue	R4	Building Permit	Asphalt driveway	09/08/22	pending additional information 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	1324 Pitner Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Shed	04/06/23	pending additional information from the applicant
2	653 Dodge Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Patio	06/13/23	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1139 Fowler Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Patio and parking pad (work done without a permit)	07/10/23	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1553 Dewey Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Remove concrete patio, walks, and pad, install paver patio and walk	09/19/23	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
2	1829 Dempster Street	C2	Zoning Analysis	Modify existing drive-thru to add a 2nd lane, minor site repairs (Burger King)	09/27/23	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1815 Washington Street	R3	Building Permit	Garage and patio	10/04/23	pending additional information from the applicant
2	2200 Greenleaf Street	I2	Building Permit	Resurface asphalt paving (Ward Manufacturing)	11/01/23	pending staff review
2	1715 Church Street	MXE	Building Permit	Convert portion of office building to live/work and dwelling units	11/06/23	pending staff review
2	1624 Wesley Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Replace walk	11/06/23	pending staff review
3	819 Judson Avenue	R5	Building Permit	New 9-unit multi-family dwelling	07/08/22	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
3	1033 Chicago Avenue	C2	Building Permit	Interior remodel of showroom and offices (City Volkswagen)	11/03/23	pending staff review
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	1552 Wesley Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Driveway	06/22/23	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1118 Elmwood Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Awning	07/31/23	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1113 Sherman Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Accessory structure for storage	08/02/23	pending additional information and revisions from the applicant

4	1629 Orrington Avenue	D3	Building Permit	Interior remodel of restaurant	10/09/23	pending Administrative Review Use determination
4	410 Asbury Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Replace back landing and stairs	10/30/23	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1224 Oak Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Roof mounted solar panels	11/07/23	pending staff review
4	1629 Orrington Avenue	D3	Zoning Analysis	Administrative Review Use for Type-2 Restaurant (Dos Bros)	11/07/23	pending Administrative Review Use determination
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	2124 Foster Street	R3	Building Permit	Shed	04/04/23	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1833 Hovland Court	R3	Building Permit	Carport next to garage	05/20/23	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1935 Brown Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Concrete slab	06/20/23	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2020 Dodge Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Replace front steps, construct new landing at side of residence	07/03/23	non-compliant, pending revisions and/or minor variation application from the applicant
5	1820 Laurel Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Concrete slab	07/11/23	non-compliant, pending revisions/minor variation application from the applicant
5	1811 Church Street	B2/oWE	Building Permit	New 4-story mixed-use building with ground floor retail and 33 dwelling units (HODC)	08/18/23	staff review on hold pending injunction, plat of subdivision recording, and Preservation review of demolition details for existing structure
5	801 Simpson Street	R5	Zoning Analysis	Make remodeled garden level dwelling unit legal	09/19/23	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2011 Darrow Avenue	R4	Zoning Analysis	Remodel existing 3-dwelling unit building and add an ADU to garage	10/05/23	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2019 Ashland Avenue	R4	Building Permit	Convert single-family dwelling to a 2 dwelling units plus ADU	10/30/23	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
5	1611 Simpson Street	B1	Building Permit	Interior remodel converting existing office building into mixed-use office, live/work, and ADU	11/07/23	pending staff review
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	2801 Central Street	B1a/oCS	Building Permit	Replace gravel with concrete to expand driveway	02/20/23	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2010 Bennett Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Shed	04/13/23	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2415 McDaniel Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Detached 2-car garage	06/05/23	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2767 Crawford Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Driveway and retaining wall extension	06/26/23	pending additional information from the applicant

6	2107 Crawford Avenue	C1	Building Permit	Interior remodel to expand (Fox Animal Hospital)	08/02/23	pending special use application submittal by the applicant
6	2421 Crawford Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Remove existing asphalt and concrete, replace with permeable patio and sidewalk	08/23/23	non-compliant, pending revisions or major variation application from applicant
6	2324 Prospect Avenue	R1	Building Permit	1-story and 2nd story addition	08/25/23	non-compliant, pending minor variation application from applicant
6	2511 Hastings Avenue	R1	Building Permit	2-story addition	09/12/23	revisions submitted by applicant, pending staff review
6	3605 Central Street	R2	Building Permit	Paver driveway and walk	09/25/23	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	3242 Harrison Street	R1	Building Permit	Replace deck	10/10/23	revisions submitted by applicant, pending staff review
6	2651 Hillside Lane	R2	Building Permit	Roof mounted solar panels	10/31/23	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2300 Park Place	R1	Building Permit	2nd story addition to a garage for an ADU	11/01/23	pending revisions from the applicant
6	2800 Harrison Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	Demolish garage, construct new 2-story garage	11/03/23	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2620 Bennett Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Addition to include new garage and ADU and interior renovation	11/08/23	pending staff review
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	2747 Broadway Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Remove portion of existing paver patio, install new patio and seatwall	05/12/23	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	1126 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	Paver walk and landing	08/22/23	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
7	1527 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	Detached garage with ADU	09/18/23	revisions submitted by applicant, pending staff review
7	1017 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	2-story addition	10/04/23	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	2000 Lincoln Street	R1	Building Permit	Interior remodel, basement	11/08/23	pending staff review
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
9	1224 Washington Street	R3	Building Permit	Replace brick patio with pavers	10/07/22	pending additional information and revisions from the applicant
9	822 South Boulevard	R1	Building Permit	Detached garage	03/07/23	pending additional information from the applicant
9	1222 Washington Street	R3	Zoning Analysis	New single-family dwelling and detached ADU	05/01/23	pending additional information from the applicant
9	709 Asbury Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Detached garage	08/29/23	non-compliant, pending additional information and minor variation submittal by applicant
9	1607 Oakton Street	R2	Building Permit	Remove and replace driveway	09/25/23	revisions submitted by applicant, 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
2	1611 Church Street	WE1/oWE	Map Amendment and Major variations	Remove zoning lot from oWE Overlay District and rezone from WE1 to R4 and Major Variations for construction of 7 COOP dwellings including townhome orientation and detached accessory structure located between principal building and front property line.	06/27/23	<b>pending additional information from the applicant; pending LUC</b>
4	1002 Asbury Avenue	R1	Major Variation	Building lot coverage and rear yard setback for proposed attached 1-car garage	11/01/23	<b>pending LUC 11/29/23</b>
6	3434 Central Street	R2	Planned Development	New 2-story, 19,952 sf building for a Daycare center - Child (Kensington School)	02/10/22	<b>pending P&amp;D</b>
6	2105-2107 Crawford Avenue	C1	Special Use	Special Use for expansion of an existing animal hospital (Blue River/Fox Animal Hospital)	08/22/23	<b>pending P&amp;D &amp; CC12/11/23 (intro &amp; action)</b>
6	2649 Crawford Avenue	R2	Minor Variation	Multiple variations for construction of a detached garage	09/01/23	determination pending additional information from the applicant
6	2343 Hastings Avenue	R1	Minor variation	Street side yard setback to addition	10/27/23	determination after 11/23/23
6	3317 Payne Street	R1	Minor variation	Building lot coverage for a 1-story addition	10/31/23	determination after 11/21/23
7	1501 Central Street	U2	Text Amendment	Modification to U2 uses to allow additional concerts and community events	01/27/23	<b>pending CC</b>
7	1501 Central Street	U2	Planned Development	Demolition of existing Ryan Field stadium and ancillary maintenance building, construct new 35,000 seat stadium with parking, plazas, and park (NU)	05/04/23	<b>pending CC</b>
7	1915-1917 Grant Street	R3	Special Use & Text Amendment	Special Use for 10 micro homes and 3 micro homes above parking structure	06/28/23	<b>pending additional information from the applicant, LUC 12/13/23</b>
7	2505 McCormick Boulevard	R1	Major Variation	Parking/storing a RV camper in the front yard on the driveway	11/03/23	<b>pending LUC 11/29/23</b>



To: Luke Stowe, City Manager  
From: David Wilson, HVAC Building Inspector  
Subject: Weekly Field Inspection Report  
Date: November, 10 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.

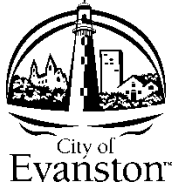
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## Weekly Field Inspection Report

Friday, November 10, 2023

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
2	1101 Church Street	Multi-Family Building	Street work continues on Oak Avenue with proper signage in place. A delivery of appliances was in progress at time of inspection. Sidewalk remains closed and properly blocked. Alleyway remains open. Construction fence is in good condition.	11/9/2023
4	1012 Church Street Northlight Theater	Assembly	No changes. Site and Northlight signage are in good condition. No construction fence at this time.	11/9/2023
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4	718 Main Street	Mixed Use Building Residential/Retail	North and South lanes on Sherman Avenue have been reopened. GC has been instructed to avoid traffic disruption during commute hours. Heavy construction continues with proper traffic control and signage in place. Construction fence remains and is in good condition.	11/9/2023
2	1840 Oak Avenue	Demolition	No changes. Demolition continues with proper signage and traffic control in place. Construction fence is in good condition.	11/9/2023
1	710 Clark Street	Office Building	Alleyway work has been completed. Construction fence remains in place and is in good condition.	11/9/2023
5	Emerson and Jackson Demolition Site	Residential	Heavy equipment has been removed from site. Erosion control installation continues on South lot. Dirt and debris surrounding the site continues to be maintained properly. Site and construction fence are in good condition.	11/9/2023



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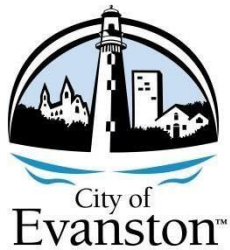
To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

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

Subject: Food Establishment License Application Weekly Report

Date: November 10, 2023

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
7	2614 Green Bay Rd	Jilly's Cafe	11/7/2023	Pending Inspections – Change of Ownership
4	1629 Orrington Ave	Dos Bros	10/10/2023	Pending Permit Issuance
1	703 Church St	Evanston Corner Bistro	10/9/2023	Pending Inspections
1	704 Clark St	Etta Evanston	10/5/2023	Pending Permit Issuance
1	1737 Sherman Ave	Taco Bell	10/5/2023	Pending Permit Issuance
4	1557 Sherman Ave	Reza's Restaurant	9/6/2023	Pending Inspections – Change of Ownership
1	521 Davis St	La Cocinita (Relocating)	7/11/2023	Pending Building Permit Issuance
2	921 Church St	Devil Dawgs	4/28/2023	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
2	1701 Maple Ave	Egg Harbor	4/4/2023	Pending CO & License Issuance
5	831 Foster St	Foster Food & Deli	4/3/2023	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
8	100 Chicago Ave	West Town Bakery – Evanston	3/27/2023	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
2	1808 Dempster St	Windy City Flavors	8/22/2023	Pending Permit Issuance
2	1711 Maple Ave	Sky Zone/Circus Trix	7/13/2022	Building Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
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: November 10, 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, and current status.

Please contact me at [liquorlicense@cityofevanston.org](mailto:liquorlicense@cityofevanston.org) if you have any questions or need additional information.

### Liquor Licensing Weekly Report

Liquor Applications Received and Pending for week of November 10, 2023

WARD	BUSINESS NAME	BUSINESS ADDRESS	LIQUOR CLASS	CLASS DESCRIPTION	PROCESSED HOURS for LIQUOR SALES	STATUS
1	Evanston Corner Bistro	703 Church St. 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 pending review at the next Liquor Review Board 12.8.23
4	Big Wig	950 Church St. 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 pending review at the next Liquor Review Board 12.8.23



# DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY BRIEFING

By NWMC Executive Director Mark L. Fowler



**WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 10, 2023**

## **HAPPY VETERAN'S DAY – THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!**

### ***Veto Session Recap – Week 2***

The General Assembly returned to Springfield on Tuesday for the second, and final week of Veto Session. While NWMC staff and the team of Anderson Legislative Consulting continued working to address concerns with the Paid Leave for All Workers Act, ultimately an amendment was not passed. Multiple versions of legislation to exempt additional parties and/or delay the effective date of the Act from January 1 to July 1, 2024 to allow for further discussion in the spring session were introduced but failed to gain traction. With the January 1 effective date fast approaching, the Illinois Department of Labor (IDOL) published [draft rules](#) on November 3. The Conference will continue to provide updates and resources and the rulemaking process proceeds. Please consult the Department of Labor's [Paid Leave for All Worker's Act website](#) for more information, including an updated list of webinars addressing compliance with the act. The next webinar is scheduled for Thursday, November 16. We strongly encourage members to participate in the webinars and continue to submit questions and requests for clarification to the department.

The second Veto Session issue of concern was [House Bill 2507](#), the omnibus property tax bill which includes a provision that shifts property tax assessments from commercial to residential for for-profit nursing and mental health care homes in Cook County. Governor Pritzker issued an amendatory veto to remove the reclassification of nursing homes. With no action taken on the Governor's amendatory veto of House Bill 2507, the bill died. Subsequently, [Senate Bill 2315](#) was amended to match the language from House Bill 2507 but without the nursing and mental health care reclassification language. The House passed this bill, but the Senate did not take action on it before adjourning.

Barring any special sessions, the General Assembly will reconvene in January 2024. The [House](#) and the [Senate](#) released their calendars for the spring session, beginning on January 16. *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury, Chris Staron*

### ***RSVP Today for the NWMC Holiday Celebration!***

On Wednesday, December 13, the Conference will again host a free holiday celebration for members, legislators and guests. The NWMC Holiday Celebration will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Chateau Ritz, 9100 N. Milwaukee Avenue in *Niles*. Formal invitations have been mailed and emailed, so please RSVP your attendance to Marina Durso, 847-296-9200, ext. 122 or [mdurso@nwmc-cog.org](mailto:mdurso@nwmc-cog.org) by Friday, December 1. *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury, Marina Durso*

### ***Heed the STP-L 2024-2028 Program Call for Projects***

As a reminder, the Surface Transportation Program - Local (STP-L) Call for Projects (CFP) is now open to member communities in the North Shore and Northwest Council of Mayors. The CFP will run until December 15 for the Northwest Council of Mayors and until December 29 for the North Shore Council of Mayors. Projects submitted during this CFP will be eligible for funding during the FFY2024-2028 period.

On October 31, the NWMC hosted a workshop on the CFP process and how to submit an application. Nearly 60 municipal staff and consultants attended the hybrid in-person and virtual program. [A recording of the session is available online](#). The workshop also covered changes in, and unique aspects of, the Councils' methodologies, managing STP-L projects, and the different funds that may be used. To obtain a copy of the slides, please contact staff. *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***RTA Opens Access to Transit Call for Projects***

The Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) has opened its Access to Transit program Call for Projects (CFP). The Access to Transit program is open to municipalities, counties, and the Service Boards (CTA, Metra, and Pace) that have completed, or are in the process of completing, a planning study that specifically recommends bicycle and/or pedestrian access improvements to transit.

The RTA is seeking applications to fund Phase II Engineering and Construction of small-scale bike and pedestrian infrastructure improvements resulting from these planning studies. Programs resulting from the RTA's Community Planning or CMAP Technical Assistance programs are prioritized, including those where a municipality has served as a project partner in a corridor study. To learn more about Access to Transit and how to apply, please visit the [Access to Transit webpage](#). The CFP closes on Friday, December 15. *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***Metra Convenes Community Bike Working Group***

On Monday, Metra officials held the first meeting of its Community Bike Working Group to discuss current and upcoming bicycle infrastructure and resources with regional stakeholders. Convened in response to continued community comments about inconsistent application of Metra's bike-on-trains policy, the working group shared how the transit agency is developing new bike rack designs to accommodate the wide variety of bike styles and types. Metra has provided a [recording of the meeting on its YouTube page](#), and for more information, [read the Streetsblog article on the meeting](#). *Staff contact: Brian Larson*

### ***CMAP ADA Compliance Training Sessions hosted in Arlington Heights***

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) hosted its third and fourth Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance training sessions on Wednesday and Thursday at the *Arlington Heights Senior Center*. The sessions focused on ADA design standards, the self-evaluation process, barriers to access, and developing an ADA Transition Plan.

It is important to note that ADA Transition Plan status will be required in future funding program scoring methodologies. *NWMC Program Associate for Transportation Brian Larson* attended the sessions and can assist member communities with completing these ADA-required programs and policies. To view these or earlier training sessions, [recordings and slides are available on the CMAP website](#). *Staff contact: Brian Larson*

### ***Mark Your Calendars: ICDHR's Martin Luther King, Jr. Remembrance Celebration***

On Saturday, December 2, the Illinois Commission on Diversity and Human Relations (ICDHR) will hold its 54<sup>th</sup> annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Remembrance & Commemoration Dinner and Concert. This year's theme is "Dr. King: Education, The Next Battleground," which resonates from a 1964 speech delivered by Dr. King to the National Federation of Teachers. This year's Honoree is University of Illinois System President Dr. Timothy L. Killeen.

The celebration will begin with a reception at 6:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. at Cotillion Banquets in *Palatine*. Please visit <https://www.icdhr.org/annual-mlk-dinner> for additional information, including tickets and sponsorship information. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

### ***UIC Seeks Capstone Partners***

*From the desk of UIC Government Finance Research Center Associate Director Christelle Khalaf, Ph.D. via ILMCA Executive Director Dawn Peters:*

The Master of Public Administration (MPA), Master of Public Policy (MPP), and Master of Science in Civic Analytics (MSCA) programs at the University of Illinois Chicago (UIC) are accepting requests from public and nonprofit organizations for Capstone projects for the Spring 2024 semester. These "learning in action" projects give students in the three programs the opportunity to work on practical problems with the support of faculty in a real-world situation. Each student team works with a client organization on a particular problem or challenge on which the students' expertise can be brought to bear. There is no cost to the client organization. The deadline for requests for the Spring 2024 semester is November 30<sup>th</sup>. More information and a guidelines document can be found at the following URL: <https://cuppa.uic.edu/academics/pa/pa-programs/master-public-administration/mpa-capstone/>. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Christelle Khalaf at [ckhalaf@uic.edu](mailto:ckhalaf@uic.edu). *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

## ***Newsy Items of the Week***

*The Center Square:* [Illinois finishes \\$18 million project to avoid regional flooding in Lake Forest](#)

*Daily Herald:* ['Changes the whole dynamic': Corporate center taking shape on old driving range in Libertyville](#)

*Daily Herald:* [Elk Grove Village Community Development Department's Building Division earns accreditation from International Accreditation Service](#)

## ***Meetings and Events***

*NWMC Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee* will meet on Tuesday, November 14 at 10:30 a.m. via video conference.

*NWMC Legislative Committee* will meet on Wednesday, November 15 at 8:30 a.m. via video conference.

*NWMC Finance Committee* will meet on Wednesday, November 15 at 1:00 via video conference. **PLEASE NOTE DATE & TIME CHANGE.**

*NWMC Local Government Communicators Committee* will meet on Wednesday, November 15 at 1:00 p.m. at the *Mount Prospect Village Hall*.

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