



# Memorandum

To: Mayor Biss and Members of the City Council  
From: Luke Stowe, City Manager  
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update  
Date: July 26, 2024

## **STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT**

Weekly Report for July 22, 2024 – July 26, 2024

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

Weekly Bids Advertised

### **Community Development**

Weekly Zoning Report

Weekly Inspection Report

### **Health Department**

Weekly Food Establishment Application Report

### **Law Department**

Weekly Liquor License Application Report

### **Legislative Reading**

NWMC Weekly Briefing

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

**Monday, July 29, 2024**

No Meetings

**Tuesday, July 30, 2024**

6:30 PM: [Evanston Arts Council – Special Meeting](#)

**Wednesday, July 31, 2024**

5:00 PM: [CARP Implementation Taskforce](#)

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

**Thursday, August 1, 2024**

No Meetings

**Friday, August 2, 2024**

No Meetings

**Check the City's Calendar for updates:**

[City of Evanston - Calendar](#)

**City of Evanston Committee Webpage:**

[City of Evanston – Boards, Commissions and Committees](#)



# Memorandum

To: Luke Stowe, City Manager

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

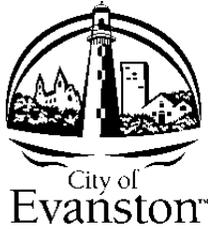
Subject: Bids/RFPs/RFQs Advertised during the Week of July 22, 2024

Date: July 26, 2024

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

**Bids/RFPs/RFQs sent during the Week of July 22, 2024**

Bid/RFP/RFQ Number/Name	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budgeted Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
Citywide Payment Solution	CMO/ Administrative Services	The City is seeking qualifications for an Enterprise Payment Solution that includes a Cashiering System and a web-based Electronic bill payment and presentment system.	\$60,000	8/13	9/9



## Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Elizabeth Williams, Planning & Zoning Manager  
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report  
Date: July 26, 2024

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, July 18, 2024 - July 24, 2024**

**Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 12**

**Volume (number of cases pending initial staff review): 11**

**Zoning Reviews**

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	733 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	Patio	08/29/23	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
1	144 Greenwood Street	R1	Building Permit	Install a modular ramp with handrails	04/29/24	pending additional information from the applicant
1	1621 Chicago Avenue	D4	Zoning Analysis	Planned Development for a new 12 story mixed-use building with approx. 6,800 sf ground floor retail, 110 dwelling units (includes 8 affordable units), and 48 enclosed parking spaces	05/01/24	non-compliant, pending Planned Development application submittal
1	710 Clark Street	D3	Building Permit	Interior build out of life sciences lab and offices	07/23/24	pending staff review
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	2118 Lake Street	R2	Building Permit	Patio and retaining wall	05/01/24	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1501 Ashland Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Addition	05/31/24	revisions submitted, pending staff review
2	2127 Washington Street	R2	Building Permit	Remove and replace walks and patio, construct new walks	06/18/24	revisions submitted, pending staff review
2	1812 Lake Street	R3	Building Permit	Garage	06/25/24	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
2	900 Clark Street	RP	Zoning Analysis	Demolish north end of Church Street Plaza movie theater building, construct new 25-story multi-family dwelling building with 333 dwelling units and 20% Inclusionary Housing dwelling units	07/03/24	pending staff review
2	1823 Wesley Avenue	R1	Building Permit	2-story coach house/ADU	07/10/23	pending revisions from the applicant
2	1147 Florence Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Roof mounted solar panels	07/16/24	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1701 Dempster Street	R3	Building Permit	2-story deck and laundry room	07/18/24	pending staff review
2	1007 Church Street	D3	Building Permit	Interior renovation	07/22/24	pending staff review
2	1245 Hartrey Avenue	I2	Building Permit	Interior tenant build out	07/24/24	pending staff review
3	1300 Chicago Avenue (1300-1306 Chicago Avenue), 601-615 Dempster Street, 1307 Sherman Place	B1/oDM	Zoning Analysis	Planned Development for a new 7-story mixed-use building with ground floor retail, enclosed parking on ground floor, 65 dwelling units, and modification of the existing 2-story retail building with 2 dwelling units above	06/24/24	non-compliant, pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
3	829 Michigan Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Attic addition and interior remodel	07/16/24	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1118 Elmwood Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Awning	07/31/23	pending additional information from the applicant
4	910 Custer Avenue	MXE	Zoning Analysis	New 5-story multi-family dwelling building with 230 dwelling units (23 affordable units) and 48 surface parking spaces	04/23/24	non-compliant, pending Planned Development application 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	pending revisions and additional information from the applicant
5	2125 Darrow Avenue	R4	Building Permit	2-car garage	12/04/23	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2209 Emerson Street	R3	Building Permit	Deck	03/25/24	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2027 Brown Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Concrete parking pad behind garage	05/09/24	non-compliant, pending revisions and/or variation application from the applicant
5	2112 Asbury Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Remove deck, replace with paver patio	05/16/24	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1825 Dodge Avenue	R4	Building Permit	Addition (Lake Regional Conference 7th Day Adventists)	06/13/24	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1817 Simpson Street	R3	Building Permit	Garage and concrete pad	06/17/24	pending additional information and/or revisions from the applicant
5	1815 Brown Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Mill, resurface, and stripe parking lot (Anixter Center)	07/05/24	revisions submitted, pending staff review
5	1623 Simpson Street	B1	Building Permit	Interior build out (Free Flow Kitchen)	07/15/24	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1238 Simpson Street	R4	Building Permit	Remove/replace patio	07/15/24	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
5	823 Gaffield Place	R4a	Building Permit	Addition and remodel (Boys and Girls Hope of Illinois)	07/17/24	pending staff review
5	1420 Leonard Place	R3	Zoning Analysis	New efficiency home	07/23/24	pending staff review
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	2300 Park Place	R1	Building Permit	2nd story addition to a garage for an ADU	11/01/23	pending revisions from the applicant
6	2232 Central Park Avenue	R1	Building Permit	In-ground pool and spa	04/16/24	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	2703 Hartzell Street	R1	Building Permit	Carport and concrete slab	05/01/24	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
6	2915 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	Replace patio	05/22/24	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2304 Park Place	R1	Building Permit	Carport over paver stone parking pad	06/27/24	non-compliant, pending variation application submittal from the applicant
6	909 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	Addition, screened-in deck, interior remodel	07/10/24	pending additional information from the applicant, Preservation
6	2220 Pioneer Road	R1	Building Permit	Remove deck, install paver patio	07/09/24	pending additional information from the applicant
6	3005 Hartzell Street	R1	Building Permit	Garage	07/15/24	non-compliant, pending revisions and/or minor variation application from the applicant

6	2902 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	Deck	07/18/24	pending staff review
6	2500 Hartzell Street	R1	Building Permit	Garage	07/19/24	pending staff review
7	1126 Grant Street	R1	Building Permit	Paver walk and landing	08/22/23	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
7	2775 Prairie Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Remove and replace front walk, stoop, and steps, construct brick pillars	06/18/24	revisions submitted, pending staff review
7	1806 Chancellor Street	R1	Building Permit	Remove patio, re-install patio, stepping stones, grill pad, and patio maintenance	06/20/24	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2433 Simpson Street	R1	Building Permit	1-story addition	06/24/24	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2518 Jackson Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Garage with ADU	06/27/24	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1404 Rosalie Street	R1	Building Permit	Addition plus interior renovation	06/28/24	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	625 Clinton Place	R1	Building Permit	Remove and replace brick paver parking pad	07/01/24	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2041 Hawthorne Lane	R1	Building Permit	New single-family dwelling	07/03/24	pending revisions from the applicant
7	1501 Central Street	U2	Building Permit	Parking lots, plaza, and landscaping for Ryan Stadium (NU)	07/08/24	pending staff review
7	2683 Stewart Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition	07/11/24	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2676 Orrington Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Repair rotted roof and small addition	07/18/24	pending staff review
8	141 Dodge Avenue	R4	Building Permit	Detached garage	11/17/23	pending additional information from the applicant
8	342 Dewey Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Demolish an old addition, construct new addition and interior renovation	06/17/24	non-compliant, pending revisions and/or minor variation application from the applicant
8	1901 Howard Street	C1	Building Permit	Wrought iron fence and motorized gates	07/17/24	pending revisions from the applicant
9	2131 Keeney Street	R2	Building Permit	Driveway and walk	06/25/24	pending additional information from the applicant
9	1728 Cleveland Street	R2	Building Permit	Remove existing patio and walk, install new patio and walk	06/27/24	pending additional information from the applicant
9	550 Callan Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Fire pit and kiddie pool	07/09/24	pending revisions from the applicant
9	734 Wesley Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Basement renovation	07/22/24	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.**

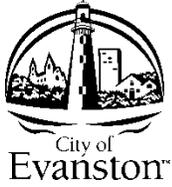
#### Miscellaneous Zoning Cases

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	2115 Sherman Avenue	R4a	Minor Variation	Swimming pool located partially within the south interior side and rear yards where required to be within a rear yard	06/26/24	determination after 07/24/24
1	1525 Judson Avenue	R1	Appeal	Appeal of yard determinations by Zoning Administrator	07/15/24	pending LUC 08/28/24
2	1630 Ashland Avenue	R1	Major Variation	Interior side and rear yard setbacks in order to construct an attached garage	06/11/24	pending LUC 08/14/24

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6	3434 Central Street	R2	Planned Development	New 2-story, 19,952 sf building for a Daycare center - Child (Kensington School)	02/10/22	pending P&D
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To: Luke Stowe, City Manager  
From: David Wilson, HVAC Building Inspector  
Subject: Weekly Field Inspection Report  
Date: July, 26 2024

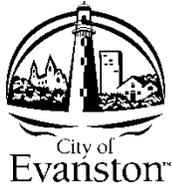
Enclosed is the weekly summary report of field inspections for construction projects under special monitoring. The report includes the ward, property address, type of construction, inspector notes, and date received.

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

## Weekly Field Inspection Report

Friday, July 26, 2024

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
2	1101 Church Street	Multi-Family Building	No changes.	7/25/2024
4	1012 Church Street Northlight Theater	Assembly	No changes. Site and Northlight signage are in good condition. No construction fence at this time.	7/25/2024
1	1710 Sherman Avenue	Mixed Use Building Residential/Retail	Construction fence has been removed from Sherman. Final inspections have begun.	7/25/2024
4	Main Street	Resurfacing	No changes. Installation continues on the south side of Main Street with proper signage and closures in place.	7/25/2024
7	1501 Central Street	Demolition	Caisson installation continues. All trucks continue to pass through the truck washing station and sides of trucks are manually washed before leaving site. Construction fence is in place and in good condition.	7/25/2024
1	710 Clark Street	Office Building	No changes. Sidewalk closure on Clark Street for final exterior work. Roadways are clean and clear surrounding site. Final Certificate of Occupancy is processing.	7/25/2024
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# Memorandum

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: July 26, 2024

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
4	1018 Davis St	Dozika (Relocating)	7/1/2024	Pending Inspections
7	2022 Central St	The Celtic Knot	6/13/2024	Pending inspections
2	1801 Dempster St	Haitian American Store	6/25/2024	License Issued
8	329 Howard St	So Soulful Evanston	5/17/2024	Pending Inspections
3	1310 ½ Chicago Ave	Peeled Juice Bar	5/9/2024	Pending Permit Issuance
2	2223 Washington St	The Laundry Café (in The Aux)	4/23/2024	Pending Review and Inspections
7	1995 Campus Dr	NU Center East Lawn Redevelopment	4/5/2024	Pending Permit Issuance
5	914 Noyes St	Inspired Indian	3/27/2024	Permit Issued – Pending Inspections
5	1623 Simpson St	Free Flow Kitchen	3/21/2024	Pending Permit Issuance
1	1618 Sherman Ave	Life Time (Smoothie Bar)	3/19/2024	Pending Inspections
1	1737 Sherman Ave	Taco Bell	10/5/2023	Pending Permit Issuance
1	521 Davis St	La Cocinita (Relocating)	7/11/2023	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: July 26, 2024

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



# DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY BRIEFING

By NWMC Executive Director Mark L. Fowler



**WEEK ENDING JULY 26, 2024**

## ***Thank You for Making the NWMC Summer Auction a Success!***

Thank you to *Deerfield, Lincolnshire, North Aurora, Skokie, Tinley Park* and *Wheaton* for participating in the NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction on Tuesday, July 23 at America's Auto Auction (America's AA). Although the numbers haven't been finalized yet, preliminary reports indicate 26 units sold for nearly \$115,000. The last live auction for the year will be held on Tuesday, October 22. In addition, America's AA hosts online sales on par with other government surplus Internet auctions. For more information, please contact staff or America's AA Account Executive Berry Ellis, 312-371-5993 or [berry.ellis@americasautoauction.com](mailto:berry.ellis@americasautoauction.com). *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

## ***Senate Committee Holds Second Hearing on the State of Public Transit***

The Senate Transportation Committee held the second of a series of subject matter hearings on Wednesday, July 24 to discuss the state of public transit. The hearing focused on how transit must be accessible and equitable and featured testimony by representatives of the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association. The hearings will continue through the summer and fall, with the remaining schedule and topics as follows:

Subject: Transit supports community quality of life  
Friday, August 9, 10:00 a.m. (note date change) – Counties of DuPage, Will, and Kendall

Subject: Transit is crucial for public health  
Wednesday, August 28, 10:00 a.m. – Kane County and McHenry County

Subject: Transit mitigates climate impact  
Wednesday, September 18, 10:00 a.m. – Northwest Suburbs of Cook County and Lake County

Subject: Funding transit is a statewide priority  
Wednesday, October 16, 10:00 a.m. – Springfield

Staff will keep membership apprised when the hearing locations and/or other schedule adjustments are announced.  
*Staff contacts: Larry Bury, Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

## ***Last Call to Sign Up for SPC Supplier Showcase***

This is the last chance to [register](#) for the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) Supplier Showcase, scheduled for Wednesday, July 31 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Oakton College, 1600 E. Golf Road in *Des Plaines*. We are excited that 24 vendors and one hundred and eleven attendees have registered to date! Special thanks to our friends at Illinois Association of Public Procurement Officials (IAPPO), Midwest Association for Public Procurement (MAPP) and Municipal Fleet Managers Association (MFMA) for advertising the Showcase to their memberships.

This is a free event for attendees and thanks to SPC partner 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 a box lunch will also be served.

The SPC Supplier Showcase offers a flexible, open house format, so attendees have two hours, from 10:00 a.m. until noon, to stop by when convenient. Suppliers will have individual display areas where you can discuss your joint purchasing needs. The schedule is as follows:

10:00 a.m. – noon: Supplier Showcase – Rooms 1608 and 1610  
Vehicle demonstration in Parking Lot C

Noon – 1:00 p.m.: Box lunch and Sourcewell Presentation – Room 1606:  
“Co-llaboration (it’s not a typo). When you see “co” in any word, it means you can’t do it alone” – Aaron Peterson, Sourcewell Government Account Representative

The SPC Supplier 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 suppliers at one time. For additional information, please contact NWMC Purchasing Director Ellen Dayan, 847-296-9203 or [edayan@nwmc-cog.org](mailto:edayan@nwmc-cog.org). *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

### ***Treasurer Frerichs to Host Local Officials Appreciation Picnic at the State Fair***

On Saturday, August 17, Illinois State Treasurer Michael Frerichs is hosting the “Local Officials Appreciation Picnic” at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield “for lunch, fun and to honor your service to your community.” The picnic will be held from Noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Director’s Lawn at the Illinois State Fairgrounds in Springfield. This free event also includes free admission to the State Fair with a ticket to the picnic and parking is only \$5. A BBQ lunch and beverages (water, lemonade, and iced tea) will be provided to all attendees.

The NWMC, along with our regional Council of Government partners, is proud to be a “Participating Organization” in this year’s event and encourages our members to attend and spend the day at the State Fair. For more information and to register for the picnic, please visit the [Eventbrite](#) page or view the [FAQ document](#). *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

### ***Juice Up Your EV Stations With the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Program!***

If you’re seeking grant funding to deploy public electric vehicle charging and alternative fueling infrastructure, you’re in luck. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has just opened \$1.3 billion in funding through Round 2 of the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) grant program. Community grants, focused on eliminating gaps in public EV charging infrastructure, will range from \$500,000 to \$15 million, with projects serving low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, communities with low ratio of private parking spaces to households, or high ratio of multiunit dwellings to single family homes will receive prioritization. Corridor grants, with a focus on EV and alternative fueling infrastructure along designated corridors, will range from \$1 million with no maximum limit. Projects must demonstrate benefits to Justice40 communities and accessible and usable by individuals with disabilities. To learn more, visit the [Grants.gov grant page](#) or read the [NOFO](#). Applications are due August 28. *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***Updated IDOT Crash Data Now Available***

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has made its 2023 crash data available via the [IDOT Safety Portal](#). Access requires a registered account, approved by the County Engineer. Data in the portal includes individual crash reports, crash locations, crash report images, 10 years of historic and trend analyses, and summary reports. IDOT is still finalizing its 2023 Crash Facts publication, which will be made available on the same site as the [2022 Crash Facts publication](#). If you have any questions regarding this information, future updates, and/or access to the system, please contact Mark Blankenship at (217) 785-3056, [Mark.Blankenship@illinois.gov](mailto:Mark.Blankenship@illinois.gov), or Aaron Rath at (217) 557-6080, [Aaron.Rath@illinois.gov](mailto:Aaron.Rath@illinois.gov). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***Make Train Delays a Thing of the Past with a Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant***

The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has announced over \$1.1 billion in funding to address railroad crossing safety and efficiency through its Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE) Grant Program. These funds can be used to build grade separations, to close off at-grade crossings or other safety enhancements. Applications are due September 30. To learn more about the RCE Program, [visit the NOFO](#). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***Learn Innovative Transportation Solutions That Can Save Your Community Time and Money***

The United States Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Local Aid Support is hosting its next Innovation Exchange, where speakers from across the country will discuss capital improvement project data gathering, work zone safety, and community engagement for historically underserved communities. The Exchange will be hosted on Thursday, August 15, from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. [Registration is required](#). For more information, [see the FHWA event flyer](#). If you have any questions about this upcoming webinar, please contact Trinetta Ballard at [trinetta.ballard@dot.gov](mailto:trinetta.ballard@dot.gov) or [CLAS@dot.gov](mailto:CLAS@dot.gov). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

## ***Identify Best Practices in Post-Crash Emergency Medical Services***

The U.S. Department of Transportation has announced that registration is now open for the virtual Post-Crash Care Summit on Tuesday, August 6. Sponsored by the Federal Interagency Committee on Emergency Medical Services (EMS), the goal of the summit is to identify and describe best practices and promising approaches in post-crash care with collaboration between highway safety partners, EMS, and 911. EMS is often a forgotten layer in the Safe System approach but it's a critical component. Register at: [EMS Post-Crash summit](#). Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson

## ***NIU MPA Fall 2024 Capstone Projects Needed***

*From the desk of ILCMA Executive Director Dawn Peters*

The Department of Public Administration at Northern Illinois University seeks interesting and challenging projects that local governments and nonprofit agencies that can be analyzed by a small group of graduating NIU MPA students in the space of a single semester. Ideal projects have a clear problem statement, require research and analysis that helps students integrate theory and practice, and results in a professional analysis and recommendation to the client's leadership team.

The capstone course is the final requirement for NIU MPA students to complete the MPA degree. Students work in groups of 2-3 on practical problems that challenge local governments and nonprofit agencies. Our students have been developing key competencies in public management, including local government management, financial management, and nonprofit management. The capstone students are midcareer professionals in public or nonprofit agencies or have been working 20-24 hours weekly in paid internships, usually in local governments in Northern Illinois. In Fall 2024, the MPA capstone course section will be taught by Michael Peddle, a long-time faculty member of the NIU MPA program. Please submit your project proposal via email to Dr. Mike Peddle, Fall 2024 Capstone Project Co-Director at [mpeddle@niu.edu](mailto:mpeddle@niu.edu) as soon as possible but not later than August 9, 2024. Late proposals are still welcome but may not receive priority. Questions may also be directed to Dr. Peddle at his personal email: [michaelpeddle@comcast.net](mailto:michaelpeddle@comcast.net). Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury

## ***UIC Capstone Projects Also Being Sought***

The University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) is currently accepting capstone project ideas for its Master of Public Administration (MPA), Master of Public Policy (MPP), and Master of Science in Civic Analytics (MSCA) programs. Projects will take place during the Fall 2024 semester and provide students the opportunity with the support of their faculty advisors to learn by working on practical problems facing your community. Projects that focus on data-backed solutions are strongly encouraged. Capstone project ideas are due August 1. Visit [the UIC capstone website](#) to see prior projects and submit your project idea. Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson

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

The Record North Shore: [Kenilworth taps Niles administrator to take over at village hall](#)

Daily Herald: [New pumping station promises to ease Des Plaines River flooding](#)

Sun-Times: [Bike ride from Skokie to Logan Square shows people of all abilities can ride](#)

Daily Herald: [How will suburbs respond to SCOTUS decision allowing cities to fine, arrest homeless people?](#)

Chicago Tribune: [Chicago leaders brace for as many as 25,000 new migrants ahead of DNC](#)

Daily Herald: [Longmeadow Parkway nearing completion in Kane County, with no tolls attached](#)

## ***Meetings and Events***

*Suburban Purchasing Cooperative Supplier Showcase* will be held on Wednesday, July 31 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Oakton College in Des Plaines.

## *NWMC Staff*

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