



# Memorandum

To: Mayor Biss and Members of the City Council  
From: Luke Stowe, City Manager  
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update  
Date: September 6, 2024

## **STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT**

Weekly Report for September 2, 2024 – September 6, 2024

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

None

### **Community Development**

Weekly Zoning Report

### **Health Department**

Weekly Food Establishment Application Report

### **Law Department**

Weekly Liquor License Application Report

### **Clerk's Office**

FOIA Report

### **Legislative Reading**

NWMC Weekly Briefing

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

**Monday, September 9, 2024**

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

5:30 PM: [City Council](#)

**Tuesday, September 10, 2024**

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

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

**Wednesday, September 11, 2024**

5:00 PM: [NU-City Committee](#)

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

**Thursday, September 12, 2024**

6:30 PM: [Evanston Environment Board](#)

7:00 PM: [Social Service Committee](#)

**Friday, September 13, 2024**

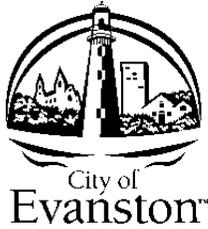
No Meetings

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[City of Evanston - Calendar](#)

**City of Evanston Committee Webpage:**

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



## Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Elizabeth Williams, Planning & Zoning Manager  
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report  
Date: September 6, 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, August 29, 2024 - September 4, 2024**

**Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 9**

**Volume (number of cases pending initial staff review): 5**

**Zoning Reviews**

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
1	144 Greenwood Street	R1	Building Permit	Install a modular ramp with handrails	04/29/24	pending additional information from the applicant
1	909 Colfax Street	R1	Building Permit	Addition, screened-in deck, interior remodel	07/10/24	pending additional information from the applicant, Preservation
1	1710 Sherman Avenue	D2	Building Permit	Interior tenant build out for a restaurant (Guzman Y Gomez)	08/12/24	pending Administrative Review Use application from the applicant for a Type-2 restaurant
1	1710 Sherman Avenue	D2	Zoning Analysis	Administrative Review Use for a Type-2 restaurant, Guzman Y Gomez	08/27/24	pending staff review
1	1702 Chicago Avenue	R6	Building Permit	Replace loading dock with asphalt (Woman's Club of Evanston)	08/30/24	pending staff review
2	2118 Lake Street	R2	Building Permit	Patio and retaining wall	05/01/24	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1812 Lake Street	R3	Building Permit	Garage	06/25/24	non-compliant, pending additional information/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	non-compliant, pending Planned Development application submittal by applicant
2	1147 Florence Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Roof mounted solar panels	07/16/24	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1117 Darrow Avenue	R3	Building Permit	2nd story addition and new front porch	08/13/24	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1043 McDaniel Avenue	R2	Building Permit	2nd story addition	08/16/24	revisions submitted by applicant, pending staff review
2	1611 Church Street	WE1/oWE	Building Permit	Convert existing industrial building into 8 dwelling units with common space, construct new 3 accessory parking structures	08/21/24	pending staff review
2	2025 Dempster Street	I2	Building Permit	Replace parking pad	08/21/24	revisions submitted by applicant, pending staff review
2	1611 Church Street	WE1/oWE	Building Permit	New window openings	08/27/24	pending staff review
3	819 Judson Avenue	R5	Building Permit	New 4-story multi-family dwelling building with 4 dwelling units and detached garage for 8 vehicles	04/16/24	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
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
4	1118 Elmwood Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Motorized aluminum pergola	07/30/24	pending additional information 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

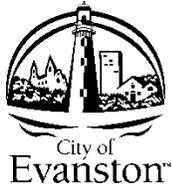
5	2209 Emerson Street	R3	Building Permit	Deck	03/25/24	pending additional information from the applicant
5	2027 Brown Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Concrete parking pad behind garage	05/09/24	non-compliant, pending revisions and/or variation application from the applicant
5	2112 Asbury Avenue	R3	Building 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	1238 Simpson Street	R4	Building Permit	Remove/replace patio	07/15/24	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
5	1420 Leonard Place	R3	Zoning Analysis	New efficiency home	07/23/24	pending revisions and additional information from the applicant
5	2311 Emerson Street	R3	Building Permit	3-season room addition and rear porch	08/09/24	pending additional information 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 revisions from the applicant
6	2757 Lincolnwood Drive	R1	Building Permit	Replace paver patio, repair seat wall, walk, landing and stoop	07/29/24	revisions submitted by applicant, pending staff review
6	3610 Hillside Road	R2	Building Permit	1-story addition	08/19/24	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2521 Gross Point Road	C2	Building Permit	Remove/replace asphalt, sealcoat, crack fill, and stripe parking lot	08/27/24	pending additional information
6	2945 Central Street	B1a/oCS	Zoning Analysis	Restore existing 1930's service station to convert to a care/restaurant with outdoor seating enclosed by fence and trellis/ pergola (currently Lincolnwood Service Station)	09/03/24	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	revisions submitted by applicant, pending staff review
7	625 Clinton Place	R1	Building Permit	Remove and replace brick paver parking pad	07/01/24	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1501 Central Street	U2	Building Permit	Parking lots, plaza, and landscaping for Ryan Stadium (NU)	07/08/24	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2515 Sherman Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	Addition to add 1-car attached garage	08/20/24	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1406 Rosalie Street	R1	Building Permit	Deck	08/26/24	non-compliant, pending revision from the applicant
7	816 Monticello Place	R1	Building Permit	Remove and replace driveway and walk	08/30/24	revisions submitted by applicant, pending staff review
9	2131 Keeney Street	R2	Building Permit	Driveway and walk	06/25/24	pending additional information from the applicant

9	630 Wesley Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Detached garage/ADU and interior remodel of single-family dwelling	08/15/24	pending additional information from the applicant
9	2127 Seward Street	R2	Building Permit	Replace deck and fence, replace 80 sf of concrete	08/21/24	pending additional information from the applicant
9	611 Wesley Avenue	R3	Zoning Analysis	ADU	09/03/24	pending additional information from the applicant

**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	1525 Judson Avenue	R1	Appeal	Appeal of yard determinations by Zoning Administrator	07/15/24	pending LUC 09/11/24
1	1621-31 Chicago Avenue		Planned Development	New 12-story mixed-use building with approximately 6,000 sf ground floor commercial space, 48 enclosed parking spaces, and 110 dwelling units including 8 affordable dwelling units	08/27/24	pending LUC
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 09/11/24
2	1333 Dewey Avenue	R3	Fence Variation	Fence located within the north front yard off Greenwood Street	08/26/24	determination after 09/17/24
4	910 Custer Avenue	MXE	Planned Development	New 5-story multi-family dwelling building with 230 dwelling units (23 affordable units) and 50 open surface parking spaces	08/28/24	pending LUC
6	2822 Central Street	B1a/oCS	Special Use	Special Use for Commercial Indoor Recreation Establishment (Fonseca Martial Arts)	09/03/24	pending LUC 09/25/24



# 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: September 6, 2024

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
1	1735 Benson Ave	Bat 17 (Relocating)	9/6/2024	Pending Inspections
5	1601 Simpson St	Teeny Baby Nursery	8/27/2024	Pending Inspections
8	1717 Howard St	Showkey African Cuisine	8/26/2024	Pending Permit Application
8	565 Howard St	T & E Productions	8/22/2024	Pending Inspections
1	1710 Sherman Ave	Guzman y Guzman	8/16/2024	Pending Permit Issuance
4	1018 Davis St	Dozika (Relocating)	7/1/2024	Pending Inspections
7	2022 Central St	The Celtic Knot	6/13/2024	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	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 Inspections
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: September 6, 2024

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



# Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Sabrina Tamura, Deputy City Clerk

Subject: Monthly FOIA Report - August 2024

Date: September 05, 2024

Enclosed is the monthly report of FOIA requests. During the month of August, the City of Evanston received 625 requests.

If you need to submit a FOIA request, please email [foia@cityofevanston.org](mailto:foia@cityofevanston.org) or submit the form [online](#).

# City of Evanston Performance Report

August 1, 2024 - August 31, 2024 All departments

General Overview: Requests received, opened, and closed in this period.

<b>625</b> request(s) received Total number of new requests received during this reporting period.	<b>15739</b> total request(s) Total number of requests in the portal at the beginning of the reporting period.	<b>266</b> request(s) closed Total number of requests closed during this reporting period.
<b>446</b> request(s) open Total number of open requests by the end of this reporting period.	<b>21</b> request(s) overdue Total number of requests that became overdue in this reporting period.	<b>19</b> request(s) paused Total number of requests that were paused by the end of this reporting period.

Response and Fulfillment: How fast your agency responds to and fulfills requests

<b>78</b> late response(s) Total number of requests where an initial response was sent after the response window expired.	<b>5</b> day(s) to respond Median response time in days in this reporting period.	<b>3</b> day(s) to respond Average response time in days in this reporting period.
<b>158</b> fulfilled outside 5 days Number of requests closed beyond 5 days of request submission during this reporting period.	<b>76</b> fulfilled within 5 days Total number of requests closed within 5 days of request submission during this reporting period.	<b>8</b> day(s) to fulfillment Median number of days taken to fulfill all requests in this reporting period.

**9 day(s) to fulfillment**

Average number of days taken to fulfill all requests in this reporting period.

Staff Time: How much time staff has spent working on requests

**0.0 hour(s) spent**

Total number of hours staff spent on requests in this reporting period.

**0 median hour(s) spent**

Median number of hours staff spent on each request.

**0 average hour(s) spent**

Average number of hours staff spent on each request.

Staff Cost: How much money is spent fulfilling record requests

**\$0.00 dollars spent**

Total amount of money spent (from staff costs) fulfilling requests in this reporting period.

**\$0 median dollars spent**

Median amount of money spent (from staff costs) on each request.

**\$0 average dollars spent**

Average amount of money spent (from staff costs) on each request.

Cost Recovery: Payments received from requesters via NextRequest

**0 total invoices**

Total number of requests with invoices.

**\$0.00 dollars received**

Total amount of money received from all requests with invoices in this reporting period.

**\$0 median dollars earned**

Median amount of money received from each request with invoices in this reporting period.

## **\$0** average dollars earned

Average amount of money received from each request with invoices in this reporting period.

## Requests by Department

This table breaks down how many requests were received and closed by each department, as well as median fulfillment speed for each department in this reporting period.

Department	New	Closed	Median	Aver.
3-1-1	3	0	0	0
Accounting	0	0	0	0
Administrative Adjudication (Hearings)	0	0	0	0
Budget	0	0	0	0
Buildings and Permits	12	14	5	7
City Clerk's Office	59	49	7	9
City Manager's Office	0	1	12	12
Collector's Office	2	0	0	0
Community Development	6	5	7	10
Economic Development	3	2	11	11
Email	0	0	0	0
Evanston Police Department Media	1	0	0	0
Finance	0	2	9	9
Fire	13	14	5	6
Health & Human Services	2	1	5	5
Housing and Grants	0	0	0	0

Human Resources (HR)	2	3	20	18
Information Technology (IT)	112	13	13	16
Legal	7	8	12	13
Library	1	1	5	5
OPS	140	37	10	11
Parking/Fleet	1	1	10	10
Parks, Recreation, and Community Services (PRCS)	1	1	2	2
Police	520	168	5	7
Property Standards	5	4	12	14
Public Works	10	5	5	5
Purchasing	3	1	11	11
Sustainability	0	0	0	0
Trees Only (PWA)	0	0	0	0
Video Requests	0	0	0	0
Water	2	2	4	4
Zoning and Planning	5	3	4	4
Not Assigned	0	0	0	0

## Message Templates Report

This table includes all message templates used within this reporting period

Message Template	Time
5 Day Extension Request - Mark an "X" by the option that is applicable	85
ADDITIONAL RESPONSE TIME NEEDED	12
ATTORNEY-LETTER OF REPRESENTATION REQUIRED	3
ATTORNEYS/INSURANCE COMPANIES/RECORD COPY SERVICE - RECORD FEES	44
Commercial Requester	5
Fulfilled - No Redactions [Use template if explanation of docs produced is necessary]	5
HIPAA Authorization REQUIRED	2
Notice to Narrow Request - fill in estimated pages and staff time	17
Proof of Ownership - Housing Documentation Request	2
Recurrent Requester	158

## Closure Response Report

This table includes all closure responses and totals used in this reporting period.

Closure Response	Times Used
Denial of Request	5
Denial of Request: 14 Day Unresponsive	4
Denial of Request: Duplicate Request	18
Denied - Juvenile Records (Police)	2
Denied: Partial	7
Denied - Police Investigation	1
Fulfilled - Body Camera Footage Redacted	12
Fulfilled - No Redactions	113
Fulfilled - Private Information Redacted	72
No Responsive Documents	35

## Tag Report

This table includes the tags applied to requests opened in this reporting period.

Tag Name	Times Used
Police Department	1

## Key Assumptions

### Requests Overdue

For requests that were closed prior to October 28, 2018 requests are counted as overdue only if they were overdue at the time the request was closed.

### Late Responses

A late response indicates that there were no documents released; no message or invoice sent to the requester; or that the request remained open past its due date.

### Response and Fulfillment Speed

Response time is tracked using the first external message sent through the NextRequest portal. This metric assumes that the message sent includes either a "request for clarification" or a time estimate.

Fulfillment time is calculated based on the time from when the request was created to the first date the request was closed (if there are multiple closed dates, only the first one is used).

Median days to close and average days to close are calculated based on the number of requests that have a closed date within the reporting period.

### **Staff Time**

Staff time only accounts for time logged in NextRequest. This metric assumes that staff members regularly log all staff time in the portal and that the hourly rates are accurate and up-to-date.

### **Staff Cost**

Staff cost only accounts for costs logged in NextRequest. This metric assumes that staff members regularly log costs in the portal.

### **Message Templates Report**

The message templates report tracks message template usage from February 25, 2018 onwards.



# DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY BRIEFING

By NWMC Executive Director Mark L. Fowler



**WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 6, 2024**

## ***Executive Board Sets September 11 NWMC Board Agenda***

The NWMC Executive Board met Wednesday to discuss and approve the agenda for the September 11 NWMC Board of Directors meeting. Staff will present the [FY2023-2024 NWMC Annual Report](#) as well as progress on the FY2024-2025 NWMC Work plan. The Board will also consider recommended appointments to the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Executive Committee and appointments to the NWMC Committees for this fiscal year.

The Board will also discuss a number of legislative items, including preparations for the General Assembly's fall veto session, efforts to increase the Local Government Distributive Fund and public safety pension issues. Finally, staff will provide an update on hearings held over the summer by the Senate Transportation Committee on proposals to reform the region's mass transit system. *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

## ***October NWMC Board to Meet In Person***

Please mark your calendars as the October 9 NWMC Board of Directors meeting will be held in person following Oakton College's Open House (see article below). The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. in Rooms 1604 and 1606 at Oakton College in *Des Plaines*. Highlighting the agenda will be a presentation by representatives from ComEd on issues and considerations for locating and constructing data centers. We look forward to seeing everyone in person on October 9! *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

## ***RSVP Today to Oakton College's Open House Prior to the NWMC Board Meeting***

As mentioned above, on Wednesday, October 9, Oakton College is hosting an Open House at the *Des Plaines* campus for elected and appointed officials. The event will begin with networking and hors d'oeuvres at 5:30 p.m., followed by an update from Oakton President Dr. Joianne Smith and optional campus tours and networking. Special focus will be given to Oakton's new Small Business Development Center and its "role in supporting economic development in communities within Oakton's district."

Invitations were sent Thursday by Oakton and NWMC staff to mayors and managers; please feel free to invite other officials. Please RSVP to Oakton Legislative Affairs Liaison Steve Butera, [sbutera@oakton.edu](mailto:sbutera@oakton.edu). *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

## ***Register Vehicles & Equipment For Sale at the NWMC Fall Auction***

The last live NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction will be held on Tuesday, October 22 at America's Auto Auction (America's AA) in Crestwood. There's no better time than today to register outdated vehicles and equipment for sale!

America's AA offers a wide variety of convenient services to prep vehicles and garner the highest possible price. Please note that vehicles and equipment can be listed for disposal 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 helps support the operations of the Conference. 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 Sales Executive Manager Maria Cortez, 708-389-4488 (office), 708-676-1887 (mobile) or [Maria.Cortez@AmericasAutoAuction.com](mailto:Maria.Cortez@AmericasAutoAuction.com). *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

## ***RSVP Today for the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Gala***

On Saturday, October 26 at 6:00 p.m., the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus will host its Annual Gala at Wrigley Field. This is the first Mayors Caucus Gala since the pandemic and is a unique opportunity to gather and celebrate the work of the organization. Attendees will be able to enjoy tours of the ballpark and the batting tunnel will be open! For tickets and additional information, please visit the Gala [Eventbrite](#) page. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

### ***USDOT to Host Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Webinars***

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) has provided over \$454 billion in funding since its passage in 2021. To ensure the continued success of the program, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) is hosting a series of webinars highlighting how to bring projects to life. Dates and topics include:

- Wednesday, September 18, 12:00-1:00 p.m., [Project Delivery Lessons Learned from Emergency Response Following an Infrastructure Catastrophe](#)
- Tuesday, October 8, 12:00-1:00 p.m., [Best Practices to Get Big Infrastructure Projects off the Ground](#)
- Tuesday, October 22, 12:00-1:00 p.m., [Project Acceleration for the Public Good](#)

To learn more about the webinar series and to register, please visit the [US DOT Volpe Center webpage](#). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***IEPA Opens Green Infrastructure Grant Applications***

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) has announced the opening of the application cycle for the Green Infrastructure Grant Opportunities Program (GIGO). This program provides funding for stormwater management projects aimed at preserving, restoring, mimicking, or enhancing natural hydrology. Projects can include techniques such as soil percolation, evapotranspiration and the reuse of precipitation to manage stormwater effectively.

The grant is reimbursement-based, with awards ranging from \$75,000 to \$2.5 million, and requires a 25% match in funds. Applications are due Wednesday, November 20. For more information, please visit IEPA's [GIGO program website](#). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***Closing Soon: Apply Today for ITEP Funding***

If your community is looking to construct new pedestrian/bicycle facilities, sidewalk connections or convert abandoned railroad corridors to trails, the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) is your go-to for funding. ITEP is now open for applications through Monday, September 30. ITEP awards a maximum of \$3 million, with awards announced in Spring 2025. To learn more, please visit the [Illinois Department of Transportation \(IDOT\) NOFO](#). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***Closing Soon: Apply Today for 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 a grade separation or close off an at-grade crossing in addition to other safety enhancements. Applications are due Monday, September 30. To learn more about the RCE Program, please [visit the NOFO](#). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***Rebuild Those Old Bridges With an IDOT Bridge Grant!***

As previously reported, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) recently announced a special funding opportunity for the Illinois Special Bridge Program (ISBP), covering FY2030 local and state major highway bridges. Projects must have a minimum cost of \$1,000,000, with Construction and Construction Engineering phases eligible for grant funding. State bridges will be eligible if local communities accept a jurisdictional transfer. For more details on the program and how to apply, please see [the NOFO](#). Applications are due Wednesday, October 9. *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***UIC UTC to Host Fall Seminar Series on Autonomous Vehicles***

The University of Illinois (UIC) at Chicago Urban Transportation Center (UTC) Fall Seminar Series will focus on the development of autonomous vehicles (AVs). The debut presentation, scheduled from noon to 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 19, will be led by Arizona Department of Transportation Stakeholder Relations Manager Amanda Kindle. She will discuss the introduction of AVs in Arizona, current rules and regulations and the future of AV expansion. Please register for the series by visiting the [UTC website](#). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

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

*Daily Herald:* [What Senate leaders learned on summer road trip, as transit merger looms](#)

*ABC7 Chicago:* [ComEd gives Village of Skokie \\$45K for electrical vehicle project](#)

*Daily Herald:* [How many officers does a suburban police department need? Answers vary](#)

*Daily Herald:* [Metra delivers on new bike policy and suburbanites reap the benefits](#)

## ***Meetings and Events***

*NWMC Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee* will meet on Tuesday, September 10 at 10:30 a.m. via videoconference.

*NWMC Finance Committee* will meet on Wednesday, September 11 at noon via videoconference (**Note date change**).

*NWMC Board of Directors* will meet on Wednesday, September 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the NWMC office and via videoconference.

*NWMC Legislative Committee* will meet on Wednesday, September 18 at 8:30 a.m. via videoconference.

*NWMC Transportation Committee* will meet on Thursday, September 26 at 8:30 a.m. via videoconference.

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