



# Memorandum

To: Mayor Biss and Members of the City Council  
From: Luke Stowe, City Manager  
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update  
Date: July 25, 2025

## **STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT**

Weekly Report for July 21, 2025 – July 25, 2025

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

Weekly Bids Advertised

### **Community Development**

Weekly Zoning Report

Weekly Field Inspection Report

### **Health Department**

Weekly Health Department Report

### **Law Department**

Weekly Liquor License Application Report

### **Clerk's Office**

No Report

### **Legislative Reading**

NWMC Weekly Briefing

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

**Monday, July 28, 2025**

4:30 PM: [Referrals](#)

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

5:30 PM: [Planning & Development Committee](#)

6:30 PM: [City Council](#)

**Tuesday, July 29, 2025**

No Meetings

**Wednesday, July 30, 2025**

5:00 PM: [Special City Council Meeting – Comp Plan](#)

**Thursday, July 31, 2025**

No Meetings

**Friday, August 1, 2025**

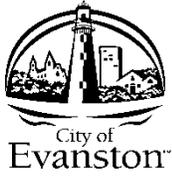
4:00 PM: [Liquor Control Review Board](#)

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**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 21, 2025

Date: July 25, 2025

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

## Bids/RFPs/RFQs sent during the Week of July 21, 2025

Bid/RFP/RFQ Name	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budget Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
Police-Fire HQ Entrances	PWA	Work on this project includes retrofitting the existing storefront entrances at the Police-Fire Headquarters building with impact-resistant glazing, new door hardware including handicap operators and push-buttons, video intercoms, and key fob systems.	\$600,000	08/12	09/08



## Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Elizabeth Williams, Planning & Zoning Manager  
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report  
Date: July 25, 2025

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 11, 2025 to July 23, 2025**

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

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

**Zoning Reviews (Larger Projects and Permits)**

Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
2	1615 Dodge Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Garage	05/02/25	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1425 Pitner Avenue	R2	Building Permit	New home	06/20/25	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1578 Florence Avenue	R3	Building Permit	New 2-story single-family home	07/14/25	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
4	960 Grove Street	D1	Building Permit	Conversion of existing building to 32 dwelling units	04/29/25	non-compliant, pending revisions or variation application from the applicant
4	1550-1562 Maple Avenue	D4/R6	Zoning Analysis	New 7-story multi-family residential building with 42 dwelling units and 67 parking spaces	05/08/25	non-compliant, pending additional information from the applicant
4	910 Custer Avenue	MXE	Building Permit	New 5-story residential building with 230 units	07/19/25	pending staff review, PD approved in 2024
5	908 Hamlin Street	R4a	Building Permit	Attached ADU addition to existing 2-family dwelling	05/06/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
5	1103 Emerson Street	R6	Zoning Analysis	Demolition of existing structures (2-flat & 4-flat) and construction of a 5-story building with 6 rooming units (including 18 bedrooms), 24 dwelling units, and 5 on-site parking stalls.	07/08/25	pending staff review
6	3233 Central Street	R4/oCS	Zoning Analysis	Construct 10 townhomes (single-family attached)	03/03/25	pending staff review
6	2316 Hartzell Street	R1	Building Permit	New single-family detached residence and 3-car garage	04/14/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	2320 Pioneer Road	R4	Zoning Analysis	Convert Pioneer Place building from assisted living to independent living, reduces units/beds from 218 to 205, addition of 40 parking spaces within two new parking lots and two expanded parking lots, exterior modification to the building, and various other site improvements (Three Crowns Park)	05/07/25	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2241 Lincolnwood Drive	R1	Building Permit	Addition	06/11/25	pending staff review
6	2418 Cowper Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Addition	07/16/25	pending staff review
6	2522 Isabella Street	R1	Building Permit	Garage	07/21/25	pending staff review
7	1731 Jenks Street	R1	Building Permit	Garage	03/06/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	1915 Grant Street	R3	Building Permit	Construction of 12 efficiency homes	05/05/25	pending additional information from the applicant
7	719 Central Street	R1	Building Permit	2nd story addition	06/25/25	pending staff review
7	820 Garfield Place	R1	Building Permit	1st story addition	07/23/25	pending staff review
9	1430 Seward Street	R2	Building Permit	Garage	07/21/25	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
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1	605 Davis Street	D2/D3	Planned Development	New 31-story mixed-use tower with 445 dwelling units, including 89 on-site inclusionary dwelling units, 3,200 sf of ground floor commercial space, and 80 parking spaces with additional spaces to be leased within City garages	05/08/25	LUC hearing to be continued at 08/13/2025 LUC meeting; pending future P&D review and City Council hearing
1	1702 Sherman Avenue	D2	Special Use	Special Use for a Religious Institution and Banquet Hall establishment, SOZO City Church	06/04/25	pending LUC 08/13/25 and future P&D review and City Council hearing
2	900 Clark Street	RP	Planned Development	New 27-story mixed-use building with ground floor retail and 383 dwelling units	01/28/25	pending additional information from the applicant
3	1028 Chicago Avenue	C2	Sign Variation	Sign height for 2 wall signs, one on the north facade and one on the south facade (Oscar Isberian Rugs)	02/11/25	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1609 Maple Ave #2	D2	Special Use	Special use to allow a resale shop in the D2 zone district	07/10/25	pending LUC 08/13/25
6	3434 Central Street	R2	Planned Development	New 2-story 19,952 sf and 38 parking spaces for a Daycare Center - Child	05/13/25	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2900 Central Street	B1a/oCSC	Special Use	Special Use for a Kennel to permit overnight boarding of adoptable dogs associated with a retail goods and services pet store	05/30/25	LUC recommended approval on 07/09/2024; pending future P&D and City Council hearings on 07/28/25
6	2716 Ewing Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot coverage, impervious surface coverage, front yard and rear yard setback for the construction of a 2nd story and a 2-story addition to existing 1.5 story single-family residence	06/05/25	determination after 07/22/25
7	1501 Central Street	U2	Planned Development	New softball stadium with capacity for 1,326 spectators, new locker rooms, team areas, press box, new lighting, and amplified sound system (Northwestern).	05/19/25	pending P&D review on 07/28/25 and future City Council hearing
7	2102 Grant Street	R1	Major Variations	1st floor, 1-story addition to a single-family home with major variations for a street-side setback and building lot coverage	06/30/25	pending LUC 08/27/25 and future P&D and City Council hearing
7	814 Ridge Terrace	R1	Minor Variation	Demolition of an existing garage and concrete walkway and construction of a new detached garage and walkway. variations required for impervious surface area and building lot coverage	07/22/25	determination after 08/07/25
8	707 W Howard St.	B3	Text Amendment & Special Use	Zoning text amendment to allow performance entertainment venues as a special use within the B3 zone district	07/02/25	pending additional information from applicant
8	815 Howard St	B3	Special Use	New vet clinic within an existing commercial building	07/08/25	pending LUC on 08/27/25 and future P&D review and City Council hearing

**Cases Received and Pending, July 3, 2025 to July 9, 2025**

**Backlog (business days received until reviewed): 3**

**Turnaround (number of cases pending initial staff review): 21**

**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>
2	1206 Dewey Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Addition and remodel with ADU in basement	04/16/25	non-compliant, pending minor variation application submittal from the applicant
2	2200 Greenwood Street	R4	Building Permit	Pergola	05/01/25	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1615 Dodge Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Garage	05/02/25	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1712 Ashland Avenue	R2	Building Permit	Deck	05/21/25	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1611 Church Street	R4	Zoning Analysis	Modifications to site plans and floor plans, add 1 dwelling unit, add an ADU, replace patios with decks, and other modifications to building areas and exterior materials	06/17/25	pending staff review; meeting with the applicant
2	1425 Pitner Avenue	R2	Building Permit	New home	06/20/25	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1600 Dempster Street	R2	Building Permit	New 2nd-story addition and porch	07/03/24	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

4	1566 Oak Avenue	R6	Building Permit	Building repairs	03/11/25	pending additional information from the applicant
4	960 Grove Street	D1	Building Permit	Conversion of existing building to 32 dwelling units	04/29/25	non-compliant, pending revisions or variation application from the applicant
4	1019 Dempster Street	R5	Building Permit	Basement ADU	05/06/25	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1550-1562 Maple Avenue	D4/R6	Zoning Analysis	New 7-story multi-family residential building with 42 dwelling units and 67 parking spaces	05/08/25	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1219 Elmwood Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Front porch	05/31/25	pending additional information from the applicant
4	919 Sherman Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Remove and replace front porch	06/04/25	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	1816 Lyons Street	R4	Building Permit	Patio	04/03/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
5	1418 Noyes Street	R3	Building Permit	2-story addition and 2-story detached accessory building for an ADU	04/28/25	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1107 Garnett Place	R4a	Building Permit	2-1/2 story addition, attic dormer addition, and interior remodel	05/06/25	non-compliant, pending minor variation application submittal from the applicant
5	908 Hamlin Street	R4a	Building Permit	Attached ADU addition to existing 2-family dwelling	05/06/25	pending revisions from the applicant
5	2009 Dodge Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Temporary storage containers related to fire restoration	05/08/25	pending additional information from the applicant
5	1819 Lemar Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Front porch	05/16/25	pending revisions from the applicant

5	1111 Foster Street	R4a	Building Permit	Pergola on existing deck	06/03/25	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2306 Central Park Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Front portico, deck, and replace exterior stairs	09/20/24	pending additional information from the applicant
6	3233 Central Street	R4/oCS	Zoning Analysis	Construct 10 townhomes (single-family attached)	03/03/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	2950 Payne Street	R1	Building Permit	Shed	03/19/25	pending revisions from the applicant
6	2710 Woodland Road	R1	Building Permit	Replace patio	04/08/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	2316 Hartzell Street	R1	Building Permit	New single-family detached residence and 3-car garage	04/14/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	2304 Prospect Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Detached garage	04/18/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	1934 McDaniel Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Pergola and deck	04/18/25	non-compliant, pending revisions or variation application from the applicant
6	2800 Harrison Street	R1	Building Permit	Patio and deck	04/30/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
6	2320 Pioneer Road	R4	Zoning Analysis	Convert Pioneer Place building from assisted living to independent living, reduces units/beds from 218 to 205, addition of 40 parking spaces within two new parking lots and two expanded parking lots, exterior modification to the building, and various other site improvements (Three Crowns Park)	05/07/25	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2316 Forestview Road	R1	Building Permit	Replace deck	05/28/25	pending additional information from the applicant

6	2241 Lincolnwood Drive	R1	Building Permit	Addition	06/11/25	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2646 Ewing Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Interior alteration, new exterior entrance	06/11/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	1221 Leonard Place	R1	Building Permit	Replace front and rear deck	03/05/25	pending pending additional information from the applicant
7	1912 Colfax Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Construct roof over existing patio	03/05/25	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1731 Jenks Street	R1	Building Permit	Garage	03/06/25	non-compliant, pending revisions from the applicant
7	1915 Grant Street	R3	Building Permit	Construction of 12 efficiency homes	05/05/25	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1829 Grant Street	R3	Building Permit	Rebuild front steps and back porch	05/06/25	pending additional information from the applicant
7	719 Central Street	R1	Building Permit	2nd story addition	06/25/25	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1404 Rosalie Street	R1	Zoning Analysis	Enclosing an existing deck into a porch	07/01/25	pending staff review
8	136 Dodge Avenue	R4	Building Permit	Replace front step, door sill, and front patio	06/03/25	pending additional information from the applicant
8	316 Ashland Avenue	R1	Building Permit	Demolish deck and replace with concrete patio	06/17/25	pending additional information from the applicant

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1	1621-31 Chicago Avenue	D3	Minor Planned Development Adjustment	Modifications to the building footprint, interior layout, exterior design, and a reduction in height from 12 stories to 11 stories. 41 interior parking stalls are proposed on the 2nd floor, and 3 parking stalls to be leased from the City within the Church St. garage.	05/13/25	Pending CC 07/14/25
2	900 Clark Street	RP	Planned Development	New 27-story mixed-use building with ground floor retail and 383 dwelling units	01/28/25	pending additional information from the applicant
3	1028 Chicago Avenue	C2	Sign Variation	Sign height for 2 wall signs, one on the north facade and one on the south facade (Oscar Isberian Rugs)	02/11/25	pending additional information from the applicant
4	620 Grove Street	D2	Special Use	Special Use for a Religious Institution	06/04/25	pending LUC on 08/13/2025
4	1002 Asbury Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Patio located within street side yard	06/13/25	determination after 07/11/25
6	3434 Central Street	R2	Planned Development	New 2-story 19,952 sf and 38 parking spaces for a Daycare Center - Child	05/13/25	pending additional information from the applicant

6	2900 Central Street	B1a/oCSC	Special Use	Special Use for a Kennel to permit overnight boarding of adoptable dogs associated with a retail goods and services pet store	05/30/25	LUC recommended approval on 07/09/2024; pending future P&D and City Council hearings
6	2716 Ewing Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot coverage, impervious surface coverage, front yard and rear yard setback for the construction of a 2nd story and a 2-story addition to existing 1.5 story single-family residence	06/05/25	determination after 07/22/25
7	2515 Sherman Avenue	R1	Minor Variation	Building lot coverage and north interior side and east rear yard setbacks for proposed addition	01/19/25	pending additional information/revisions from the applicant
7	1501 Central Street	U2	Planned Development	New softball stadium with capacity for 1,326 spectators, new locker rooms, team areas, press box, new lighting, and amplified sound system (Northwestern).	05/19/25	pending P&D review on 07/25/25 and future City Council hearing
7	2102 Grant Street	R1	Major Variation	1st floor, 1-story addition to a single-family home	06/30/25	pending staff review
8	707 W Howard St	B3	Amendment & Special Use	Comedy Cafe	07/02/25	pending staff review
8	815 Howard St	B3	Special Use	New vet clinic within an existing commercial building	07/08/25	pending staff review



To: Luke Stowe, City Manager  
From: David Wilson, HVAC Building Inspector  
Subject: Weekly Field Inspection Report  
Date: July, 25 2025

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 25, 2025

Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
*	*	*	*	*
4	1012 Church Street Northlight Theater	Assembly	No changes. Construction work continues on-site. Temporary bike is in place. The alleyway has been closed with offsite parking provided for residents.	7/24/2025
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*	Truck Route	*	No changes. Truck route continues to monitored for speed and debris.	7/24/2025
7	1501 Central Street	New Construction	No changes. Steel construction continues. Canopy installation has begun. Street sweepers continue to address roadway dust and debris. All trucks continue to pass through truck washing station with manual washing of trucks and street. Construction fence is in place and in good condition.	7/24/2025
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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 25, 2025

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
4	1596 Sherman	Wafflavor	6/4/25	Pending review and permits
7	2545 Prairie	Burl	2/27/25	Pending Review and Permits
1	720 Clark St	Te' Amo	1/22/2025	Pending Building Permit
8	751 Howard St	Sabrosura Coffee Bar	1/09/2025	Pending Review & 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 Permit Issuance
3	1310 ½ Chicago Ave	Peeled Juice Bar	5/9/2024	Pending Permit Issuance and plan review
7	1995 Campus Dr	NU Center East Lawn Redevelopment	4/5/2024	Building Permit Issued-Pending Inspections
7	2012 Central	Outdoor Café–Boba Tea & sandwiches	3/23/25	Pending Plan Review
1	724 Clark	Pho Ever Ramen & Bubble Tea	3/28/25	Pending Inspections
1	817 Noyes	Fred's Bread	4/9/25	Pending Inspections
4	810 Grove	Ti'an Bistro	4/22/25	Pending Review
4	1590 Sherman	Moge Tee	7/18/25	Pending review and inspections
8	743 Howard	Zion African Market	6/12/25	Pending review and inspections
5	1600 Simpson	Foster School	5/12/25	Health review approved/Pending inspections
1	500 Davis	The Praline Cauldron	7/8/25	Pending review and inspections
7	1921 Central	Tallgrass	4/17/25	Pending Review



## Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Brian George, Assistant City Attorney

Subject: Weekly Liquor License Application Report

Date: July 25, 2025

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.

### Liquor Licensing Weekly Report

Liquor Applications Received and Pending for week of July 25, 2025

WARD	BUSINESS NAME	BUSINESS ADDRESS	LIQUOR CLASS	CLASS DESCRIPTION	PROCESSED HOURS for LIQUOR SALES	STATUS
5	Free Flow Kitchen	1623 Simpson St. Evanston, IL 60201	C	Restaurant	7 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Mon-Wed); 7 a.m. — 2a.m. (Thur-Sun)	Application will be voted on at the Liquor Review Board on 8.1.25
1	Evanston History Center	225 Greenwood St. Evanston IL, 60201	E	Small Entertainment Venue	11 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Mon-Thu) 11 a.m. — 2 a.m. (Fri-Sat); 12 p.m. — 1 a.m. (Sun)	Application will be voted on at the Liquor Review Board on 8.1.25
1	Lulu Ramen	724 Clark St. Evanston, IL 60201	C	Restaurant	7 a.m. — 1 a.m. (Mon-Wed); 7 a.m. — 2a.m. (Thur-Sun)	Application will be voted on at the Liquor Review Board on 8.1.25



# DIRECTOR'S WEEKLY BRIEFING

By NWMC Executive Director Mark L. Fowler



**WEEK ENDING JULY 25, 2025**

## ***Last Call to RSVP for the July 31 SPC Supplier Showcase***

The 2025 Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) Supplier Showcase will be held on Thursday, July 31, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Oakton College, 1600 E. Golf Road in *Des Plaines*. The Showcase will be held in the Footlik Theater and PAC Lobby with parking available in Lot A. This is a free event for attendees with a boxed lunch provided by the SPC sponsoring Councils of Government – Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC), DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference (DMMC), South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association (SSMMA) and Will County Government League (WCGL).

Thanks to SPC partner Sourcewell, their presentation “Strategic Sourcing Toolkit – Move to Strategic Sourcing” will be eligible for one contact hour toward Continuing Education Unit (CEU) credits. Sourcewell will provide attendees with a certificate of completion to submit to their respective professional organizations.

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. NWMC, DMMC, SSMMA and 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.

The Showcase offers a flexible, open house format, so attendees have two hours, from 10:00 a.m. until noon, to stop by when convenient. SPC suppliers that will have individual display areas where you can discuss your joint purchasing needs include Al Warren Oil Co., Currie Motors Commercial Center, EJ Equipment, Foster Coach Sales, Granit Telecom, High Star Traffic, Sicalco, Ltd., Sutton Ford and Warehouse Direct, plus America’s Auto Auction for municipal auction services. Sourcewell representatives will be there as will some of their suppliers including Aries Industries, Securitas Technology and Terex Utilities.

The schedule is as follows:

- 10:00 a.m. – noon: Supplier Showcase - PAC Lobby  
Vehicle demonstration in Parking Lot A
- Noon – 1:00 p.m.: Box lunch and Sourcewell Presentation “Strategic Sourcing Toolkit – Move to Strategic Sourcing” – Aaron Peterson, Sourcewell Government Account Representative

Please register by using this link: [SPC Supplier Showcase Registration - Attendees](#). 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*

## ***Auction Recap – Thank You!***

The summer NWMC Surplus Vehicle & Equipment Auction was held on Tuesday at America’s Auto Auction (America’s AA) in Crestwood. Thank you to Crete, *Deerfield, Evanston, Glenview, Lake Bluff, Lincolnshire, Lincolnwood, Palatine*, Park Forest, *Skokie* and Wheaton for making the auction a success! Forty-seven units were offered with preliminary sales figures of \$179,600.

The final live NWMC Auction for the year is scheduled for Tuesday, October 21. America’s AA also 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, [maria.cortez@americasautoauction.com](mailto:maria.cortez@americasautoauction.com), 708-389-4488 (office) or 708-676-1887 (mobile). *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

## ***RSVP Today for Treasurer Frerichs’ Local Officials Appreciation Picnic at the State Fair***

On Saturday, August 16, Illinois State Treasurer Michael Frerichs is hosting the “Local Officials Appreciation Picnic” at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield to recognize “the outstanding service of local officials.” 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, beverages (water, lemonade, and iced tea) and desserts will be provided for all guests.

The NWMC, along with our regional Council of Government partners, is again proud to be a "Participating Organization" in the event and encourages our member officials and their families to attend and spend the day at the State Fair. Please complete the [registration form](#) to receive tickets and additional information. For more information, please email [illinoisfunds@illinoistreasurer.gov](mailto:illinoisfunds@illinoistreasurer.gov) or call Erin Sloan, 217-685-2584 or Marty McCormack, 217-670-3849. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

### ***IDOT to Open Safe Routes to School Applications Next Week***

As a reminder, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will open the application period for the [2025 Safe Routes to School \(SRTS\) Program](#) on Friday, August 1. The SRTS program supports projects that improve safety and encourage walking, bicycling and rolling to and from schools serving grades K-12.

SRTS projects must be located within a 2-mile radius of a school and may include both infrastructure (sidewalks, crossings, bike facilities, traffic calming) and non-infrastructure (safety education events, training programs, school route evaluations) projects. The program is fully funded at 100% with no local match required. Infrastructure awards are capped at \$250,000 and non-infrastructure awards at \$100,000.

Eligible applicants include schools, school districts, municipalities, counties, townships, planning organizations, and other public agencies. Only municipalities and other roadway jurisdictions may sponsor infrastructure projects, though they may partner with other eligible entities.

To assist applicants, IDOT and the Active Transportation Alliance are hosting a series of informational webinars scheduled for [August 20](#) and [September 17](#). Each session runs from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and features a unique agenda. Final applications will be due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 13. For additional questions, contact staff or email [DOT.SafeRoutes@Illinois.gov](mailto:DOT.SafeRoutes@Illinois.gov). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***IDOT Seeks Feedback on Active Transportation Strategies, Implementation Guide***

As a reminder, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) is developing Walk Roll Illinois, the 2025 Illinois Active Transportation Plan and requests municipal feedback [via this survey](#). Additionally, IDOT has created a draft [Local Implementation Guide](#) to assist "local agency partners who are working to enhance active transportation within their jurisdictions." IDOT [also requests feedback on the guide](#) to identify what will be most useful for Illinois communities. Assistance in sharing this survey with local transportation staff is appreciated. *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

### ***Save the Date for the Mayors Caucus Annual Gala***

The Metropolitan Mayors Caucus announced this week that it will host the 2025 Annual Gala on Sunday, August 24 at the beautiful Ravinia Festival in *Highland Park*. Highlighting the event will be a concert by Grammy Award winning artist John Legend. The Gala will begin at 5:30 p.m., with the concert to follow at 7:30 p.m. Additional information will be sent in the coming weeks, so please mark your calendars and plan to attend this unique event! *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

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

*Daily Herald:* [Elk Grove Village mayor throws down in tag-team wrestling showcase match against pros](#)

*Chicago Sun-Times:* [ComEd bills likely to remain high as AI, data centers suck up power](#)

*Route Fifty:* [Transit leaders look to efficient, tech-driven future](#)

*Daily Herald:* [Whose downtown is it? Mayors wary transit board will control development near stations](#)

*Chicago Tribune:* [Some ComEd customers seeing triple-digit bill increases](#)

Crain's Chicago Business: [Realtors go on offense over plan to rescue CTA with real estate taxes](#)

## ***Meetings and Events***

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

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