



Memorandum

To: Mayor Biss and Members of the City Council
From: Luke Stowe, City Manager
Subject: Weekly City Manager's Update
Date: September 12, 2025

STAFF REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT

Weekly Report for September 8, 2025 – September 12, 2025

City Manager's Office

Weekly Bids Advertised

Community Development

Weekly Zoning Report

Weekly Field Inspection Report

Monthly CV/Permit Fee 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, September 8, 2025

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

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

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

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

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

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

Thursday, September 11, 2025

6:00 PM: [Equity and Empowerment Commission Meeting](#)

Friday, September 12, 2025

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

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[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 September 8, 2025

Date: September 12, 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 September 8, 2025

Bid/RFP/RFQ Name	Requesting Dept.	Description of Project	Budget Amount	Bid/RFP/RFQ Opening Date	Anticipated Council/ Library Board Date
Evanston Accessible Solar Program	CMO	The City of Evanston's Sustainability & Resilience Division of the Evanston Department is seeking proposals from experienced firms for an Accessible Solar Program to unlock the benefits of solar power for low-income residents. This program will install at least 20 residential solar projects for low-income residents while reducing the citywide carbon footprint.	\$500,000	10/14	11/10



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Elizabeth Williams, Planning & Zoning Manager
Subject: Weekly Zoning Report
Date: September 12, 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 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Cases Received and Pending, September 4, 2025 to September 10, 2025

Backlog (business days received until reviewed):

Volume (number of cases pending initial staff review):

Zoning Reviews (Larger Projects and Permits)

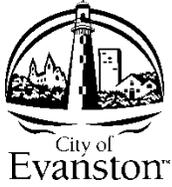
Ward	Property Address	Zoning	Type	Project Description	Received	Status
2	1615 Dodge Avenue	R3	Building Permit	Garage	05/02/25	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1425 Pitner Avenue	R2	Building Permit	New home	06/20/25	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1578 Florence Avenue	R3	Building Permit	New 2-story single-family home	07/14/25	pending additional information from the applicant
2	1507 Lee Street	R3	Building Permit	New Garage	08/20/25	pending additional information 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
3	706 Forest Avenue	R1	Building Permit	1st story Addition	07/28/25	pending staff review
3	820 Sheridan	R1	Building Permit	2-story Addition	09/09/25	pending staff review
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	pending staff review
4	910 Custer Avenue	MXE	Building Permit	New 5-story residential building with 230 units	07/19/25	pending additional information from the applicant
4	1021 Ashland Ave	R3	Building Permit	1st floor Addition	09/10/25	pending staff review
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
5	2206 Maple Avenue	R5	Building Permit	Demolition of an existing parking lot and construction of a new 5-story, 30 unit apartment building	08/04/25	pending additional information from the applicant
6	3233 Central Street	R4/oCS	Zoning Analysis	Construct 10 townhomes (single-family attached)	03/03/25	pending staff review
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	2522 Isabella Street	R1	Building Permit	Garage	07/21/25	pending staff review
6	2603 Harrison Street	R1	Building Permit	Addition	08/06/25	pending staff review
6	2500 Marcy Avenue	R1	Building Permit	2nd Story Addition & New Garage	08/07/25	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2617 Thayer Street	R1	Building Permit	New Garage	08/13/25	pending additional information from the applicant
6	2301 Ridgeway Avenue	R1	Zoning Analysis	New Garage and ADU	09/10/25	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	801 Central Street	B1a/oCSC	Building Permit	ADU	08/13/25	pending additional information from the applicant
7	2438 Eastwood Avenue	R1	Building Permit	New Garage	09/08/25	pending staff review
7	2026 Harrison Street	R3	Zoning Analysis	Addition	09/08/25	pending staff review
9	1430 Seward Street	R2	Building Permit	Garage	07/21/25	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	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	Pending future P&D review on 09/29 and future 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 City Council hearing on 09/29/25
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
2	1830 Dempster Street	C1	Special Use	Request for a Type 2 Restaurant for a Popeyes Chicken to operate within an existing building	08/18/25	pending staff review and LUC public hearing scheduled for 09/24/25
4	1018 Ridge Court	R1	Minor Variation	Building height of 36.5' and 3 stories for an addition above the 2nd story	08/08/25	determination after 09/04/25
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	2737 Highland Avenue	R1	Major Variations	Major variations to allow an open off-street parking space in a front yard when alley access is available	07/29/25	pending additional information from the applicant
7	1404 Rosalie Street	R1	Minor Variation	Minor variation to allow a new addition to be built closer to an existing detached garage than would otherwise be allowed	08/25/25	pending staff review
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 P&D and City Council review on 09/29/25



To: Luke Stowe, City Manager
From: David Wilson, HVAC Building Inspector
Subject: Weekly Field Inspection Report
Date: September, 12 2025

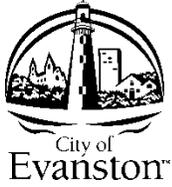
Enclosed is the weekly summary report of field inspections for construction projects under special monitoring. The report includes the ward, property address, type of construction, inspector notes, and date received.

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, September 12, 2025

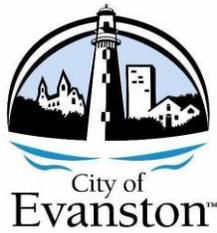
Ward	Property Address	Construction Type	Inspector Notes	Received
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4	1012 Church Street Northlight Theater	Assembly	Second story concrete pours have continue. Temporary bike lane is in place. The alleyway has been closed with offsite parking provided for residents	9/12/2025
*	*	*	*	*
*	Truck Route	*	Street sweeping has resumed. Truck route continues to monitored for speed and debris.	9/12/2025
7	1501 Central Street	New Construction	No changes. MEP inspections continue on-site. 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.	9/12/2025
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To: Luke Stowe, City Manager
From: Angela Butler, Permit Services Supervisor
Subject: Monthly Construction Valuation and Permit Fee Report
Date: September 12, 2025

Enclosed is the monthly construction valuation and permit fee report. The report compares current month and year-to-date totals with those from 2024.

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



DATE: September 12, 2025
 TO: Luke Stowe, City Manager
 FROM: Angela Butler, Permit Services Supervisor
 SUBJECT: **August 2025** Construction Valuation and Permit Fee Report

BUILDING PERMIT FEES

Total Permit Fees Collected for the Month of August 2025	\$1,373,916.30
Total Permit Fees Collected Fiscal Year 2025	\$10,634,354.79
Total Permit fees Collected for the Month of August 2024	\$7,544,408.63
Total Permit Fees Collected Fiscal Year 2024	\$14,679,501.85

CONSTRUCTION VALUES

Total Construction Value for August 2025	\$61,119,923.00
Total Construction Value Fiscal Year 2025	\$1,111,284,861.00
Total Construction Value for August 2024	\$413,324,539.00
Total Construction Value Fiscal Year 2024	\$786,298,620.00



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: Sept 12th, 2025

Ward	Property Address	Business Name	Date Received	Current Status
7	2545 Prairie	Burl	2/27/25	Pending Fire and Building inspections
1	720 Clark St	Te' Amo	1/22/2025	Pending FCO and Health Insp
8	751 Howard St	Sabrosura Coffee Bar	1/09/2025	Pending Reviews & Inspections on Building Permit
8	1717 Howard St	Showkey African Cuisine	8/26/2024	Pending Building Permit Application
8	565 Howard St	T.E & Company	8/22/2024	Pending Building Permit Issuance
3	1310 ½ Chicago Ave	Peeled Juice Bar	5/9/2024	Pending Building Permit Issuance and Inspections
7	1995 Campus Dr	NU Center East Lawn Redevelopment	4/5/2024	Pending FCO
1	817 Noyes	Fred's Bread	4/9/25	Pending Building Inspections and FCO
4	810 Grove	Ti'an Bistro	4/22/25	Pending Health Review on Building Permit
8	743 Howard	Zion African Market	6/12/25	Pending Health Review and inspections
5	1600 Simpson	Foster School	5/12/25	Pending Health review and Inspections on BP
1	500 Davis	The Praline Cauldron	7/8/25	Pending FCO
7	1921 Central	Tallgrass	4/17/25	Pending Reviews
7	1814 Central St	Poplar Pastries	07/29/25	Pending Reviews and Inspections
4	1571 Sherman Ave	New York	09/11/25	Pending Plan Reviews
3	601 Dempster St	Crepe O'Clock	9/11/25	Pending Plan Reviews
7	1030 Central St	Canal Shores Outdoor Patio	9/11/25	Pending Plan Reviews



Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Brian George, Assistant City Attorney

Subject: Weekly Liquor License Application Report

Date: September 12, 2025

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 SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

NWMC Board Approves Transit Statement, Strategic Plan Consultant, Appointments

Thank you to the twenty-six NWMC members represented at Wednesday night's Board meeting. The Board unanimously approved retaining CP2 Consulting to conduct the NWMC Strategic Plan update. Staff presented the [FY2024-2025 NWMC Annual Report](#) and discussed the first quarter progress on the FY2025-2026 NWMC Work Plan. The Board unanimously approved the appointment of *Highland Park Mayor Nancy Rotering* as the delegate to the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Executive Committee and *Hanover Park Village President Rodney Craig* as the alternate delegate. Members also unanimously approved appointments to the NWMC Committees for this fiscal year. Thank you to our committee chairs and the nearly four hundred members volunteering their time to serve on the committees managed by the Conference.

Members received a legislative report from staff, including strategies and outreach plans to prevent passage of municipal pension enhancements and preparations for the General Assembly's fall veto session, scheduled for October 14-16 and October 28-30. Finally, the Board approved a draft position statement on transit legislation, which will also be considered by the region's councils of government. *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

NWMC Pension Outreach Campaign – Week 3

During the closing days of the spring session, legislation to roll back Tier 2 pension reforms for all systems, including police, fire and the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) was introduced as amendments to [Senate Bill 1937](#). While the legislation did not pass, there is a push by the unions and the bill sponsors to advance the bill during October's fall veto session.

Last month, the Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC) launched an outreach campaign in the lead-up to the veto session. The campaign aims to increase public awareness and push consistent legislator engagement. On Tuesday, the NWMC published its third weekly post to [Facebook](#) entitled, "Who Pays for Municipal Pensions?" Every week leading up to the veto session, the NWMC will share messaging with members and legislators. We are working with local government partners via the [Invest in Communities](#) and Pension Fairness for Illinois Communities Coalitions to amplify messages throughout the state.

The success of this campaign will rely on member engagement. Legislators will need to repeatedly hear from local government leaders about the negative effects of pensions enhancements. Throughout the campaign, the Conference will share ways that members can amplify the pension messaging. *Staff contacts: Chris Staron, Larry Bury, Mark Fowler*

NWMC to Host E-Bike/E-Scooter/E-Moto Ordinance Summit

Multiple NWMC member municipalities have recently adopted ordinances regulating e-bike, e-scooter, and e-moto usage. Many others are beginning the process of developing their own. NWMC staff is working with member communities to better understand the factors contributing to the development of these ordinances.

In the interest of ensuring a more cohesive regulatory environment across the suburbs, the Conference will host a panel discussion on this topic on Monday, September 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the NWMC offices (a virtual attendance option will also be available). Please see the Daily Herald article on the summit in today's "Newsy Items of the Week" on page 4. The panel will bring together local decision-makers and industry experts to share insights and ideas to help guide communities. [RSVP for the discussion here](#). *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

Join Palatine at the NWMC Fall Surplus Vehicle & Equipment Auction

The fall NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction will be held at noon on Tuesday, October 21 at America's Auto Auction in Crestwood. Thank you to Elburn, Palatine, Tinley Park and the Tinley Park Park District for

registering for the last live auction of the year. Please note vehicles and equipment can be listed for disposal right up to the morning of the auction day. In addition, America's Auto Auction hosts online sales on par with other government surplus Internet auctions. Please remember that a portion of the proceeds helps support the organization's operations.

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, 708-389-4488 (office), 708-676-1887 (cell) or maria.cortez@americasautoauction.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

SPC Extends 2026 Ford Explorer Contract

As a reminder, the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) Governing Board has approved the first of three (3) possible, one-year contract extensions on the [2026 Ford Explorer](#) (Contract #231) with Currie Motors. The 2026 basic model is \$36,595, up \$384 over last year. The SPC reserves the right to extend the contract for up to two (2) additional, one-year terms upon mutual agreement on a negotiated basis. For questions or additional information, please contact staff or Commercial Accounts Manager Nic Cortellini, 815-464-9200 or ncortellini@curriemotors.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Order by October 1 to Save on Ice Melt from Warehouse Direct

As previously reported, the Early Buy Ice Melt Program from Warehouse Direct Workplace Solutions has started, but please note that special pricing ends on Wednesday, October 1. Warehouse Direct is the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) awarded vendor for Combined Office & Janitorial Supplies (Contract #189). They have options for every need including eco-friendly blends as well as an Entry Liquid Ice Melt, a chloride free, clear liquid formula that helps protect surfaces from granular abrasion. All products are delivered directly to the purchaser, so act today to save money and be ready for winter.

 [View the Early Buy Ice Melt Flyer](#)

 [View Ice Melt Products on Warehouse Direct Site](#)

For questions or additional information, please contact staff or Warehouse Direct Senior Account Executive Alex Weber, 847-420-3126 or AlexWeber@warehousedirect.com. *Staff contact: Ellen Dayan*

Schaumburg to Host MMC Quarterly Meeting

On Friday, September 26, the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus (MMC) will hold its quarterly meeting at the Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center Hotel. The meeting will begin with check-in and light breakfast at 9:00 a.m. and will conclude by 11:30 a.m. For more information and to RSVP, please visit the [Caucus Quarterly Meeting Registration](#) page. *Staff contacts: Mark Fowler, Larry Bury*

Wintrust to Host Public Sector Cybersecurity Seminar

On Tuesday, September 30, Wintrust Government Funds is hosting a seminar entitled "Cybersecurity Awareness for the Public Sector – Trends, Threats & Safeguards." From the event announcement: "Cyberattacks targeting government entities are becoming both significantly more frequent and sophisticated. What is your organization doing to defend itself from these threats? Join us as we kick off National Cybersecurity Awareness Month for a discussion exploring the new trends and financial impacts of a cyberattack, as well as recommended safeguards to protect your data." Wintrust Financial Corporation Information Security Specialist David Addo will lead the discussion.

This free, virtual event will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. The Teams link will be sent to registered attendees the day before the event. For more information and to register, please visit the seminar's [Eventbrite](#) page. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

RSVP Today for CMAP's State of the Region Event

From our partners at the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP):

Be sure to check your inboxes for an invitation to attend the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning's State of the Region this year. Mayors get first dibs on early tickets to this event with more than 1,000 elected officials, policymakers, and civic and business leaders from across northeastern Illinois.

This is not going to be like any other government event. No sit-down dinner. No talking heads. Networking with regional leadership, diverse entertainment, food representing the region, and more, at Chicago's iconic Old Post Office. The State of the Region event takes place on Tuesday, November 4, 2025 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. in The Old Post Office in Chicago. The email from CMAP includes a link for your registration. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit [State of the Region Tickets, Tue, Nov 4, 2025 at 5:00 PM | Eventbrite](#). *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

IDOT, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Improve Transportation Permit Reviews

As a reminder, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has entered into an agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to improve permit reviews for transportation projects. Dedicated USACE staff will now serve as liaisons for reviews, with the goal of streamlining the process, improving communication, and reducing delays.

This agreement applies to all local public agency projects with federal funding provided by IDOT, as well as state-funded local bridge projects where IDOT has authority. For state-funded local bridge projects, the District Local Roads Engineer must be listed as co-applicant.

For District 1 (including Cook, Lake, McHenry, DuPage and Kane counties), applications should be submitted to Patrick.J.Verhalen@usace.army.mil. All permit applications must include the Application Cover Form ([BDE 2820](#)). This form, developed jointly by IDOT and USACE, is intended to create more consistent applications statewide and provide the documentation most often required by USACE, thereby reducing the need for supplemental information requests.

IDOT and USACE will hold monthly coordination meetings. Applicants may request to participate to address questions or concerns about ongoing or upcoming permit reviews. Existing applications already under review do not need to be resubmitted unless directed by IDOT or USACE. More information regarding the program is available in [Circular letter 2025-12](#). Inquiries regarding these changes may be directed to Tim Peters, Local Policy and Technology Engineer, tim.peters@illinois.gov. *Staff contacts: Eric Czarnota, Brian Larson*

IEPA Opens GIGO NOFO

The [Green Infrastructure Grant Opportunities \(GIGO\)](#) program utilizes funds distributed by the State of Illinois generated under the Build Illinois Bond Fund. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency's (IEPA) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) includes \$5,000,000 for projects that will improve water quality in Illinois. GIGO has set a maximum total grant award of \$2,500,000 with a minimum grant award of \$75,000. The GIGO program funds projects to construct green infrastructure best management practices (BMPs) that prevent, eliminate, or reduce stormwater runoff into Illinois' rivers, streams, and lakes.

Eligible projects will construct BMPs to decrease stormwater runoff prior to release into rivers, streams, and lakes, including:

1. Reconnection of a stream with its floodplain (e.g., two-stage ditch, daylighting);
2. Treatment and flow control of stormwater runoff at sites directly upstream or downstream of an impervious area that currently impacts river, stream, or lake water quality through stormwater runoff discharge; and/or
3. Treatment and flow control of water generated from impervious surfaces associated with urban development (such as roads and buildings).

Applications are being accepted through Wednesday, November 5. Full application details and more information are included in the [Notice of Funding Opportunity](#) through AmpliFund. *Staff contact: Eric Czarnota*

Which MWRD Program Fits Best to Help Prevent Flooding?

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) has reopened the following programs to partner with Cook County municipalities, townships, and governmental organizations to help protect residents from flooding:

[Stormwater Partnership Program](#) funds the construction of traditional engineering solutions to flooding such as detention basins, storm sewer improvements, and stream channel improvements.

[Green Infrastructure Partnership Program](#) funds the construction of green alleys, rain gardens, permeable paving, and other natural, permeable systems that manage rainwater where it falls.

[Conceptual Project Partnerships](#) are available to local government organizations requiring assistance developing stormwater solutions, coordinating stormwater mitigation efforts and identifying state and federal grant opportunities.

[Voluntary Flood Prone Property Acquisition Program](#) provides funding to help municipalities acquire properties in the floodplain and give homeowners the opportunity for a fresh start.

Each program has specific eligibility criteria, application steps, and deadlines. Please visit the [MWRD Stormwater Partnerships page](#) for more information. *Staff contact: Eric Czarnota*

Don't Miss Out: EV Tax Credits End on Sept. 30, 2025

From the desk of Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Senior Sustainability Specialist Cheryl Scott:

The federal tax credits for electric vehicles (EVs) will expire on Sept. 30, 2025. Act quickly to take advantage of the tax credits through elective pay for your fleet, and inform residents and businesses in your community about this opportunity.

Your residents can still purchase an EV by Sept. 30, 2025, and potentially receive a tax credit of up to \$7,500 for new EVs and \$4,000 for used EVs.

For those who plan to purchase an EV soon, please confirm eligibility with your dealership, manufacturer, and by reviewing the below IRS guidance before the Sept. 30, 2025, deadline. Some of the current requirements relate to the buyer's income, the cost of the EV, the location of manufacturing/assembly, and the source of the battery's minerals. The Commercial Clean Vehicle Tax Credit will also end on Sept. 30, 2025. This credit allows businesses or local governments through elective pay to qualify for up to \$7,500 for passenger vehicles and up to \$40,000 for vehicles 14,000 pounds or more.

For more details on eligibility, go to the [IRS Clean vehicle tax credits webpage](#). Please also review [additional eligibility guidance](#), which was released by the IRS on Aug. 21, 2025. *Staff contact: Mark Fowler*

Newsy Items of the Week

Daily Herald: [Northwest Municipal Conference to host summit on e-bike and e-scooter policies Sept. 22](#)

Daily Herald: [Billions for a Route 120 bypass in Lake County? Some residents warn it's a pricey 'pie in the sky'](#)

Daily Herald: [Advantage Metra: Feds give agency track rights in Union Pacific dispute](#)

Chicago Tribune: [Union Pacific sues Metra amid payment dispute](#)

Chicago Tribune: [Surging number of data centers around the Great Lakes could lead to water shortages, report says](#)

Daily Herald: [Cook Co. invests more than \\$1.5M in suburban biking infrastructure](#)

Route Fifty: [Upgraded 911 and reauthorized FirstNet among public safety officials' tech priorities](#)

Meetings and Events

NWMC Health Directors Committee will meet on Monday, September 15 at 2:00 p.m. at the *Arlington Heights Village Hall*.

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

NWMC Finance Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 17 at noon via videoconference.

NWMC E-Bike/E-Scooter/E-Moto Ordinance Summit will be held on Monday, September 22 from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the NWMC office and via videoconference.

NWMC Transportation Committee will meet on Thursday, September 25 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC office and via videoconference.

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