OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Patrick Urich, City Manager

DATE: March 11, 2021

SUBJECT: Issues Update

The following are issues related to the City for the weekly Issues Update. If there are additional items you believe should be included, please let me know.

Weekly COVID-19 Press Briefing at 3:30 Today

WEEKLY TRI-COUNTY COVID-19 LIVE BRIEFINGS Thursdays at 3:30 p.m*

Livestream can be viewed on the Peoria City/County Health Department’s Facebook Page: www.Facebook.com/PeoriaHealthDepartment

*Unless otherwise noted www.pcchd.org/289
Community Development- Public Comment Period for HUD Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER)

The City of Peoria’s Community Development Department is requesting public comments on the draft 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER), which will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). A summary of all comments received will be submitted to City Council and HUD for approval.

The CAPER covers the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and associated activities performed during the 2020 program year.

A 15-day public comment period for the CAPER will be held from Thursday, March 4th, 2021 through Friday, March 19th, 2021 at 5:00 pm. A copy of the draft CAPER will be available for review at the City of Peoria Community Development Department, City Hall Room 203, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. A copy of the draft is also available online at http://www.peoriagov.org/community-development/neighborhood-development-division/ under “Publications.”

Comments may be delivered to Cassie Belter, Community Development Department, 419 Fulton Street, Room 203, Peoria, IL 61602 or cbelter@peoriagov.org.

For more information, please contact Grants Coordinator Cassie Belter at cbelter@peoriagov.org.

Community Development Requests Public Comments on 2021 HUD Annual Action Plan

The City of Peoria Community Development Department requests public comments on its 2021 Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Annual Action Plan. A summary of all comments received will be submitted to City Council and HUD for approval.

The 2021 HUD Annual Action Plan provides a concise summary of the activities to be conducted with 2021 grant funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, the HOME Investment Partnerships program, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG).
The City of Peoria will hold two virtual public hearings to obtain views and opinions from the public on the draft 2021 Annual Action Plan. These hearings will be on Wednesday, March 10th, 2021 at 5:30 PM and on Tuesday, March 16th, 2021 at 10:00 AM. The first virtual public hearing on Wednesday, March 10th, 2021 at 5:30 PM can be accessed the following ways:

- **Phone:** (877) 309-2073 (toll free) or (571) 317-3129; Access Code: 441-706-469
- **Internet:** [https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/441706469](https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/441706469)

The second virtual public hearing on Tuesday, March 16th, 2021 at 10:00 AM can be accessed the following ways:

- **Phone:** (877) 309-20733 (toll free) or (571) 317 3129; Access Code: 238-520-909
- **Internet:** [https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/238520909](https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/238520909)

The virtual public hearings are open to the public, and residents are encouraged to attend. Please call (309) 494-8607 if you need an interpreter or any additional accommodations to participate in the virtual public hearings. The Annual Action Plan is subject to amendment or approval by the City Council.

A 30-day comment period will be held from Wednesday, March 3rd to Saturday, April 3rd at 5 PM. Comments may be emailed to Kathryn Murphy at kmurphy@peoriagov.org or mailed to the Community Development Department, Attn: Kathryn Murphy, at 419 Fulton Street, Room 203, Peoria, IL 61602.

A copy of the draft 2021 Annual Action Plan will be available at the City of Peoria Community Development Department, City Hall Room 203, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. A copy is also available on the City of Peoria website at [http://www.peoriagov.org/community-development/neighborhood-development-division/](http://www.peoriagov.org/community-development/neighborhood-development-division/) under “Publications”.

A summary of the comments, including comments not accepted and the reasons for such, will be included in the plan submitted to HUD. For questions regarding this Notice, please contact Kathryn Murphy at (309) 494-8607 or via e-mail at kmurphy@peoriagov.org.
Community Development-Public Meeting for Car Wash Public Meeting Available

The city of Peoria Community Development Department held a public meeting on March 2nd at 6:00 PM regarding a special use request for a car wash at 1217 W Glen Avenue and 4926 N University Street. The meeting was held at the Gateway Building, 200 NE Water Street, Peoria, IL 61602.

The meeting can be viewed on the City of Peoria’s YouTube page by following this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sFKb8LIELRY

Economic Development-Celebrating March Women in History Month-Supreme Accounting & Tax Services, Inc. Receives Business Recovery Grant

Supreme Accounting & Tax Service is owned by Gia Jones and Kelly Stewart. The business, which was established in 2001, has grown over the years. Currently, Supreme has locations in Peoria and Bloomington and 9 employees. Supreme offers a broad range of services, including estate and tax planning, small business consulting, IRS problem resolution, financial and business planning, auditing, bookkeeping, payroll services, and accounting and tax workshops.

Supreme has grown the company since its inception. Like many businesses the pandemic impacted Supreme Accounting and Tax Service. “We hadn’t anticipated the loss of income to our business” according to Kelly Stewart. Supreme Accounting provides bookkeeping, payroll and other services to small businesses and churches many of which were forced to shut down or have been slow to recover. This had a direct impact on the bottom line.

“The timing of the Business Recovery Grant could not have been better for us” said Gia Jones. “We were facing some hard choices about overhead and other expenses. The grant allowed us to defer those decisions.” Supreme received $12,744 from
the Business Recovery Grant from the City. Twenty years in the business of serving other small businesses. Kelly Stewart and Gia Jones are two local women creating history every day in Peoria.

You can learn more about Supreme Accounting & Tax Services at:

www.Supremeaccounting.net or you can reach them by phone at 309 688-3536

Public Works - Yard Waste Collection Resumes March 15
The city of Peoria yard waste pickup season kicks off next week, beginning Monday, March 15. Peoria Disposal Company (PDC) will pick up yard waste weekly, on the same day as trash collection. While services were only put on pause for the winter season, some residents may need to brush up on the do’s and don’ts of yard waste collection.

When to Set Out Yard Waste
As with recycling and trash services, all materials must be set out by 6 a.m. on collection day and any yard waste carts or cans must be removed from the curb or alley by 5 p.m.

Accepted materials include grass clippings, leaves, tree limbs, and brush. If it is not bagged, bundled, or in a can marked “yard waste only,” it will not be picked up.

How to Set Out Yard Waste:
- Use plastic or metal garbage cans that are between 40 and 45 gallons in size, marked for “yard waste only,” with two handles, and a tight-fitting lid.
- Use wheeled carts that are either 65 or 95 gallons in size and marked “yard waste only.”
- Paper yard waste bags which may not exceed 30 pounds in weight.
- Tree limbs and sticks can be bundled with nonmetallic cord, such as twine, but must be less than five feet in length and less than 50 pounds.
- Make sure bags, containers, and bundles are three feet away from carts and other obstacles such as cars, mailboxes, etc.
- Do not use city of Peoria trash carts for yard waste. The limbs and branches damage the carts and reduce their lifespan.

Yard Waste Only Labels
Label cans or carts with “yard waste only” stickers. Green stickers are available at City Hall, Public Works or any Peoria Disposal Company (PDC) location.

You can check out more information under the Yard Waste tab at peoriapicksup.com. And if you have any questions, contact PDC at 309-674-5176, option #1.
Public Works-Western Avenue Reconstruction Underway

A major road overhaul is ahead for Western Avenue along Peoria’s southside beginning this week. The multiyear, two stage Community Investment Plan (CIP) project will span from Howett to Adams Streets, however, during Stage I, workers will focus on reconstruction from West Malone Street to West Lincoln Avenue.

Stage I will span seven blocks where four traffic lanes will be reduced to three. There will be one northbound lane and one southbound lane and a bidirectional turn lane in-between. The current road is in poor condition, however, the changes will allow for Western to become a complete street – with greater walkability, bike lanes, streetlights and green space.

“By following the complete streets concept, we’ll be giving access to everyone,” said City Engineer Bill Lewis. “Not everyone has a vehicle – but building bike lanes and better sidewalks will broaden transportation opportunities – making it a more inclusive experience.”

Phase I of the project is expected to take all of the 2021 construction season to complete with Stage II to follow in spring 2022. Once complete, nearly one mile of roadway will be improved.

“This really will transform the community,” said Lewis. “I’m pleased we’re able to move forward this year, it’ll be a big improvement.”

Detours

Area drivers will encounter a complete road closure and detours over the span of the project. Road Closed Ahead signs with barricades will be posted at Lincoln and Western Avenues and Malone Street at Western Avenue.

Detour signs will be posted in the area in and around Howett Street, Lincoln Avenue, Griswold Street, Adams Street and Jefferson Avenue. Drivers should take extra caution and consider taking alternative routes when possible.

Peoria Public Schools – Update from Superintendent Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat

Despite the heroic efforts of Peoria Public School educators, parents and caregivers, there has been a significant learning disruption in the year since the COVID-19 pandemic hit. To help students with supports in reversing that disruption, we are currently offering in-person and virtual tutoring to all students. In addition, rigorous and robust summer school plans will help students in kindergarten through high school make up for lost time and credits.

For parents who are unable to work from home, summer school will provide a safe and stimulating environment for PPS Students at all grade levels.

Kindergarten – 8th grade students
Kindergarten through eighth-grade students can choose to attend either Session I from June 7 to June 24 or Session II from June 28 to July 14, or they can choose to attend both sessions. The program will meet Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and transportation will be provided.

The K-8 program will meet at four sites: K – 4: Dr. Maude A. Sanders Primary School or Charter Oak Primary School; Grades 5 – 8: Sterling Middle School and K – 8: Glen Oak Community Learning Center or Harrison Community Learning Center.

Each K-8 site will accommodate 150 students grouped into six learning pods of 25 students each. Each learning pod will be staffed by two teacher aides, a certified literacy facilitator, a certified math facilitator and mini-course instructors.

Mini courses will be presented one or two times each week with content determined by student interest. The mini-course units will be one or two weeks in length and focus on fine arts.

The K-8 program also will include opportunities for students to work independently, pursue STEM activities and a daily Social Emotional Learning (SEL) activity. Breakfast and lunch will be served daily. Each K-8 site also will have a nurse on staff.

**9th through 12th grade students**

For students entering 9th grade, each high school will offer in-person learning from June 1 through June 24. The in-person program will meet Monday – Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will include math, science, social studies and English-Language Arts. Students also can choose virtual learning with the Edgenuity program.

Students entering grades 10 through 12 can earn any necessary credits through the virtual learning option, Edgenuity. Student progress will be monitored Monday through Thursday and on nights and weekends. For in-person support to complete high school credits, staff will be available at Knoxville Center for Student Success from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Thursday, beginning June 28 through July 14. This option allows high school students to balance schoolwork with summer employment and family responsibilities.

Lastly, Students who follow anExtended School Year (ESY) plan will attend either Jamieson School or Thomas Jefferson Primary School.

With Gratitude,

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**Community Development Weekly Report**

- Please see attached

**Peoria Cares February Report**

- Please see attached
Date: 3/10/2021

This summary document is produced on a weekly basis. It is used as an agenda for the City Development Review Board and as a transparency tool to allow the public to be aware of development in Peoria.

1. Summary Information

- **One Stop Shop** is held every Monday at 1:30 PM in City Hall. This is a free service for anyone who wants to discuss development with staff from various City departments, local utility companies, the Health Department, and CityLink.
- **Development Center Permits** can typically be issued immediately and/or do not require an extensive review period. These permits include most trade (electrical, plumbing, HVAC, etc.) permits, repair permits, new single-family residential construction, alteration/additions, and demolitions.
- Each permit application includes a self-reported value of the project. The **Total Value of Development (YTD)** is the sum of these reported values.

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2. Development Review Board Projects

- The **Development Review Board** is a group of City staff, local utility representatives, and other local government agencies that review and comment on more complex development applications and cases that are required to go to a public hearing.
- A **Job** is a development application that requires multiple departments to review for compliance but does not require a public hearing or City Council review.
- A **Project** is a development application that requires multiple departments to review for compliance and requires a public hearing before a City Commission and in some cases, a final decision by the City Council.
- The **Staff Assigned** to each Job or Project is the primary contact person for any inquires.

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18-08-180-11, 18-08-180-10

RES-002272-2021 11011 N Waterton Dr 09-29-155-002 Residential Alteration Solar Panels – Summit Solar 5 LA

Additional Activity

- These projects are not subject to review by the Development Review Board.

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| 3. Certificates of Occupancy Issued

- Certificates of Occupancy are issued after the work authorized by a permit has been inspected and substantially meets all applicable codes and regulations.

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| 4. Peoria City/County Health Department License Information

- The Peoria City/County Health Department licenses multiple types of food establishments. The information in this table is provided for informational purposes only.

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- The following table provides contact information for the Community Development Staff who are typically assigned to manage development applications.

| Community Development Department Staff Contact Information

<p>| Leah Allison (LA) Senior Urban Planner | 494-8667 | Kerilyn Weick (KW) Senior Urban Planner | 494-8606 |
| Josh Naven (JN) Senior Urban Planner | 494-8657 | Wes Stickelmaier (WS) Building Inspections Coordinator | 494-8608 |
| Craig Reid (CR) Building Inspector | 494-8925 | Matt Ziller (MZ) Building Inspector | 494-8628 |</p>
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Peoria Cares

2021 Monthly Report

From: The Office of the City Manager
Presented to: City of Peoria, Mayor and Council Members
Tuesday, February 9, 2021
In February, a total of 803 calls were received from the Peoria Cares phone line. There were 90 phone calls that generated a Peoria Cares case and 27 phone calls that produced service requests. The cases were sent to the appropriate City Department(s). Each department handled the complaint from start to finish. Every call will always receive an optimum level of customer service; during this time period, there were calls that varied in response. In addition, some of the Peoria Cares phone calls required, research and information gathering for other assistance and services offered, in the Greater Peoria Tri-County Communities.
There was a total of 426 Peoria Cares complaints that were submitted in the month of February. These complaints have been drilled down and categorized to indicate their status.
Out of the 426 Peoria Cares complaints, there are four unresolved complaints. Each month, our goal is to follow-up with all departments unresolved complaints, to ensure we can quickly respond to each citizen’s needs.