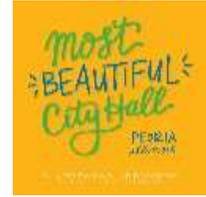




OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER



TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Patrick Urich, City Manager 

DATE: June 28, 2018

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.

The Tireless Project Returns Saturday, June 30

The Tireless Project will hold its monthly collection of unwanted tires for Peoria residents on Saturday, June 30. The collection site is located at Jimax, 2000 W Clark Street, Peoria, IL 61607. The hours of collection are 9:00–11:00 a.m., but may end earlier if the trailer reaches its 1,000 tire capacity. If tires are left after the designated hours, a \$200 fine for littering will be enforced.

Please note the following restrictions to the drop-off:

- The limit is 20 tires per customer; this is a legal requirement for transporting tires.
- First 10 tires are FREE; there is a \$1.00 charge for each tire over 10—CASH ONLY. (Funds will be used for project supplies and neighborhood cleanups).
- Only City of Peoria residents can participate; no businesses will be allowed.
- Customers must have proof of residency in the form of a driver's license, state ID OR property tax statement.
- No tires with rims will be accepted.
- Only passenger and truck tires 17" or less will be accepted; no oversized tires, including agricultural and commercial, will be accepted.

Future dates are scheduled: July 28, August, September 29 and October 27.

The Tireless Project, initiated in 2015 by Peoria volunteers, successfully collected approximately 3,800 tires in their inaugural year. In July of 2017, JIMAX volunteered to take over the collection. For further information, please contact James Kosner 309.253.0192.

RIBBON CUTTING FOR THE WELL FARM AT VORIS FIELD—SATURDAY, JUNE 30



The Well Farm at Voris Field, a new urban farm in Peoria’s First District, opens to the public with a Ribbon Cutting ceremony and community barbeque on Saturday, June 30, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. A USDA NRCS-funded pilot project, The Well Farm demonstrates how urban agriculture can reduce stormwater runoff that pollutes the Illinois River, and showcases many of the community benefits that result from green stormwater infrastructure development.

The Well Farm pilot project is part of the Peoria Innovation Team’s (i-team) work to help the City demonstrate how green solutions can help reduce overflow from the City’s combined sewer system while enriching community life and expanding opportunity for residents. Fresh Coast designed the site and programming in partnership engineering firm AKRF, the City of Peoria, and The Gifts in the Moment (gitm) Foundation, and a 20-member stakeholder advisory group representing residents of Peoria’s First District. The project team has been working since 2016 to bring the vision of a working “stormwater farm” to life. Site design and construction were completed on time and on budget in June, and attendees at the Ribbon Cutting will receive a guided tour of the site’s water management features, which include a stormwater forest with 126 trees, a 3,000 square foot floriculture space, and 100 raised planter beds. Together, these features will capture runoff from a 1.55 acre area, preventing an estimated 1.3 million gallons of stormwater from entering Peoria’s combined sewer system each year.

Fresh Coast VP of Programs, April Mendez emphasized that her team’s “deep partnerships with Peoria organizations like The gitm Foundation have been critical to shaping the project designs to maximize community benefits. Our community benefits-driven design approach to green infrastructure requires us to put down roots in this community, and it’s been such a rewarding process.”

The idea to pursue an urban farm concept began with Fresh Coast's goal to pioneer green stormwater infrastructure solutions that maximize benefits to the local community, and engage residents in design, construction, and maintenance to ensure the long-term success of installations. First district residents' desires to increase access to fresh produce and create new jobs made the urban farm concept an ideal fit for the community.

The working urban farm will produce locally grown flowers, food and timber, and provide internships and apprenticeships to youth and adults who want to learn agribusiness, hydrology, and other career skills. The gitm Foundation's Urban Agriculture Apprenticeship Program will take up to 20 participants each year who will cultivate produce, cut flowers, and learn how to sell their products at local farmers market. The gitm Foundation's Dwayne Harris, who oversees the apprenticeship program, said, "Our first twelve apprentices come from many walks of life, but they will leave this program with the same thing: real skills and experience that will allow them to pursue a fulfilling career and benefit their local community."

The Well Farm complements other efforts by the Peoria i-team such as PeoriaCorps, a job training program for maintaining and developing green stormwater infrastructure for young residents who have been out of school and unemployed. The Peoria i-team is part of the BloombergPhilanthropies i-teams program to help cities solve problems in new ways to deliver better results for residents.

Mayor Jim Ardis, an early supporter of the project said "Peoria is known for its innovative spirit; we're not afraid to be the first mover on better solutions - green infrastructure like The Well Farm is just one example; we hope to be the first city in the U.S. to address stormwater with 100% green infrastructure. It's about a more beautiful, more sustainable future for our residents and businesses."

The Well Farm is supported by a USDA-NRCS Conservation Innovation Grant, a federal program that stimulates the development and adoption of innovative approaches and technologies for conservation on agricultural lands. In 2016, the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) of the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) awarded Fresh Coast Capital in partnership with the City of Peoria, gitm Foundation, and AKRF \$1 million in funds to install an urban agriculture and stormwater management project in Peoria. This grant funding was met with \$1 million in matching funds and resources.

"The Well Farm integrates agriculture, impact investing, community building and green infrastructure—it checks a lot of boxes for USDA and we're excited to watch the project as it grows and delivers enormous benefits to Peoria and similar communities throughout the Nation," said Kari Cohen, Director of the Conservation Innovations Team at NRCS.

The once-vacant property at 1013 Southwest Reed Ave where The Well Farm is located was originally purchased in 1835 by brothers Francis and Samuel Voris, farmers who were attracted to Peoria by the

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rich agricultural soil. The urban farm's new name, The Well Farm at Voris Field, was selected by the community to reflect the site's history and the many benefits of the farm, from helping to clean water and providing agriculture apprenticeship opportunities, to increasing community wellbeing through increased access to fresh produce and a welcoming gatheringspace.

Ribbon Cutting attendees can RSVP for free at <https://wellfarmribboncutting.eventbrite.com>. Please note that this is an outdoor event and will take place rain or shine.

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

Harry Potter author J.K. Rowling said, "I think it's the books that you read when you're young that live with you forever." I have wonderful memories of reading as a child, with favorites like Judy Blume's *Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret*.

As we approach the end of June and the halfway-mark of summer break, please keep encouraging children to read every day. Reading is a crucial investment in the future!

Here are some tips to help keep everyone reading:

- Let your child choose what to read. This can include magazines, newspapers, graphic novels, comic books and even audio books, if children follow along with text. You can check out printed books with accompanying audio on CD at the library. Many children prefer to read nonfiction books, including biographies of their favorite athletes or celebrities or books about science and nature. If you have access to a computer and internet, many children's books, including one of my childhood favorites, Dr. Seuss' *Marco Comes Late* can be found on YouTube or myON Online Reading.
- Make sure your child's choice is the appropriate reading level. For primary-grade readers, the Child Mind Institute offers an easy way to decide called the "five-finger rule." Have your child choose a book, read the first page and raise a finger for each word they don't know. If they have more than five fingers raised at the end of page one, the book is probably too difficult. Your librarian can also help you choose books that are the right level for your student.
- Make reading an adventure! Pack up your books, a flashlight, a blanket and head to the backyard to read under the stars.
- Make reading social. Many parents read to their children during their pre-school years but stop once children can read on their own. Reading a chapter book together, one chapter each day, is a joyful experience for a parent, grandparent or caretaker. This is particularly true if a student's reading skills are behind their maturity level.
- Be prepared! Errand time can be reading time. Keep books in your car. Or if you ride the bus, have a tote bag with a few books ready to grab as you walk out the door. If your child goes to daycare or day camp, be sure to pack a book or two in their backpack.
- Create a reading spot at home. Find a quiet corner away from tv and computer screens where your child can retreat with their favorite books.

I hope all Peoria Public School parents will help their student create great reading memories!

Peoria Public Library branches and hours

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Main Library

Monday – Saturday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. Closed Sunday.

Lincoln Branch

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday – noon – 6 p.m.

Closed Wednesday.

Lakeview Branch

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, noon – 5 p.m.

Closed Thursday.

McClure Branch

Monday – Saturday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Closed Sunday.

North Branch

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, noon – 5 p.m.

Closed Tuesday.

Serve Passionately,



Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat, Superintendent

Code Violation Cases

REMINDER: Housing & Environmental Courts will be switching to Mondays, beginning on Monday, July 9

Please click on the link below for the most updated listing of upcoming cases.

<https://www.quicketsolutions.com/peoria/docket>

Development Review Board

Please see the attached agenda.

East Village Growth Cell

Please see the attached agenda

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Housing Court Cases

Please see attached.

Peoria Cares Monthly Reports

Please see the attached report.

Planning and Zoning Commission –SPECIAL MEETING

Please see the attached agenda.



DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD AGENDA

Plans Distributed: June 27, 2018

Comments Due: July 4, 2018

Building/Projects this Week

Job/Project #	Address	Type	Description
17-1710	1004 S WESTERN AVE 18-17-151-002	COMMERCIAL ALTERATIONS	REVISION – Interior Remodel – Christian Youth Center – RM/LA
18-964	2607 W WILLOW KNOLLS RD 14-07-100-024	NEW COMMERCIAL	New Construction, Practice Fields – Peoria Notre Dame – Council District 5 – CF/JN
18-970	900 NE ADAMS ST 18-10-107-006	COMMERCIAL ADDITION	Warehouse Addition – PMP Fermentation – Council District 1 – RM/LA

Building Permits Issued

Commercial		Residential	
New Commercial	-	New Single-Family Residential	3
Commercial Alteration	1	Residential Demolition	1
Commercial Demolition	-	New Deck	4
Electrical	7	Electrical	3
HVAC	2	HVAC	24
Plumbing	-	Plumbing	1

FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY

The following information was provided by the **Community Development Department** and the **Peoria City/County Health Department**. This section is not intended for your review; the intent is to provide additional information.

Community Development Department

Total Construction Value for 2018	\$ 45,956,206.00
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	Council District 1	Council District 2	Council District 3	Council District 4	Council District 5
Planning Inspector	Leah Allison	Kimberly Smith	Shannon Techie	Josh Naven	Josh Naven
Phone	494-8667	494-8612	494-8649	494-8657	494-8657
E-mail	lallison@peoriagov.org	kismith@peoriagov.org	stechie@peoriagov.org	jnaven@peoriagov.org	jnaven@peoriagov.org
Building Inspector	Roberto Medina	Chris Frank	Roberto Medina	Chris Frank	Chris Frank
Phone	494-8623	494-8633	494-8623	494-8633	494-8633
E-mail	rmedina@peoriagov.org	cfrank@peoriagov.org	rmedina@peoriagov.org	cfrank@peoriagov.org	cfrank@peoriagov.org
	Scot Wolf (Downtown & Warehouse District Only)				Roberto Medina
	494-8628				494-8623
	swolf@peoriagov.org				rmedina@peoriagov.org

**CITY OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS
EAST VILLAGE GROWTH CELL ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

RESCHEDULED REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

**THE JULY 3, 2018, EVGC MEETING IS CANCELLED,
AND RESCHEDULED FOR
TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2018
AT 6:00 P.M.**

**EASTERSEALS
COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM
507 EAST ARMSTRONG AVENUE
PEORIA, IL 61603**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 3, 2018, MINUTES

I. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Housing Program Update
- B. EVGC Charter Discussion
- C. Attorney General Grant Update - *LISC*
- D. East Bluff Housing Development Presentation - *Peoria Opportunities Foundation*

CITIZENS' OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE

ADJOURNMENT

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS: IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, PLEASE CONTACT
SHANNON TECHIE AT 494-8649 OR STECHIE@peoriagov.org.**

HOUSING COURT DOCKET

7.3.2018

44 CASES

AM	NO	9:00 AM	SHORT, DENNIS	HC-18-554	ATLANTIC 2112 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
AM	C	9:00 AM	SJ LLC	HC-18-513	DELAWARE 2407 N	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
AM	NO	9:00 AM	COHEN, JEFF	HC-18-481	FRYE 1209 E	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
AM	NO	9:00 AM	RINGENBERG, STEVEN	HC-18-553	MAYWOOD 726 E	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
AM	NO	9:00 AM	RANDLE AUNDRES	HC-18-019	PEORIA 1822 N	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
AM	NO	9:00 AM	JONES, KENT & ARA	HC-18-573	REPUBLIC 602 E	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
AM	NO	9:00 AM	JICTB, INC.	HC-18-160	THRUSH 321 E	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
AM	NO	9:00 AM	SALISBURY RICHARD	HC-17-1061	WISCONSIN 2202	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
JS	NO	9:00 AM	AUGUST SCHMITZ TRUST	HC-18-564	AUTUMN RIDGE 5706 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
JS	NO	9:00 AM	AUGUST SCHMITZ TRUST	HC-18-565	AUTUMN RIDGE 5714 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
JS	NO	9:00 AM	DURFLINGER, CHAD	HC-18-568	AUTUMN RIDGE 5720 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
JS	NO	9:00 AM	AUGUST SCHMITZ TRUST	HC-18-567	AUTUMN RIDGE 5727 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
JS	NO	9:00 AM	MONGE, RICHARD	HC-18-569	AUTUMN RIDGE 5728 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
JS	NO	9:00 AM	AUGUST SCHMITZ TRUST	HC-18-566	AUTUMN RIDGE 5734 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
JS	C	9:00 AM	BARR PROPERTIES INC	HC-18-570	AUTUMN RIDGE 5740 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
JS	C	9:00 AM	GREENLIGHT HOLDINGS, LLC	HC-18-571	AUTUMN RIDGE 5741 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
JS	NO	9:00 AM	DANZ, WARREN	HC-18-369	KNOXVILLE 5207 N	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
JS	NO	9:00 AM	TANK VIRGINIA/TIMOTHY	HC-17-1031	RANDWICK 6607	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
JS	NO	9:00 AM	LORRAINE & WILLIAM SEPHUS	HC-18-364	RUSSELL 920 W	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
LA	NO	9:00 AM	SMITH, GREGORY	HC-18-323	PROCTOR 1927 W	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
LA	NO	9:00 AM	GOMEZ, JUAN & MARIA	HC-18-267	SEIBOLD 2816 W	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
LA	C	9:00 AM	MIDWEST PROPERTY INVESTORS, LLC	HC-18- 552	WISWALL 2420 W	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
NR	O	9:00 AM	REPP, MARGARET	HC-18-076	BIGELOW 1403 N	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
NR	NO	9:00 AM	RUNYON, SARA	HC-18-426	BOURLAND 1202 N	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
NR	O	9:00 AM	TILLMAN, STEPHANIE	HC-18-068	ELLIS 1218 N	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
NR	NO	9:00 AM	COVERT, MICHAEL	HC-18-435	FRINK 1107 N	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
NR	NO	9:00 AM	REEVES, PETER	HC-18-391	FRINK 1115 N	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
NR	NO	9:00 AM	FREIDT, ANTHONY	HC-18-387	FRINK 1205 N	3-Jul-18	REVIEW	
NR	O	9:00 AM	THOMPSON, ANTHONY	HC-18-560	GARFIELD 1121 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
SD	NO	9:00 AM	GAFFNEY, KELLY	HC-18-562	HAUNGS 615	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
SD	NO	9:00 AM	SCHUMACHER, LLOYD	HC-18-563	HAYWARD 509	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
SD	C	9:00 AM	CONSOLIDATED PROPERTIES, LLC	HC-18-561	MONROE 1401 NE	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	

TD	NO	9:00 AM	NACE, MICHAEL	HC-18-556	AVALON 3207 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	O	9:00 AM	BROWN, DEAUNDRE	HC-16-1559	ELMWOOD 2404 N	3-Jul-18	REVIEW
TD	NO	9:00 AM	CLARK WILLIAM/DIANE	HC-17-677	GIFT 617 W	3-Jul-18	REVIEW
TD	O	9:00 AM	TODD, LATOCHA & RODREQUS	HC-18-572	GIFT 818 W	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	C	9:00 AM	SAM PROPERTY GROUP, LLC	HC-18-558	MACHIN 1616 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	C	9:00 AM	CONSOLIDATED PROPERTIES, LLC	HC-18-559	MACHIN 1716 N	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	NO	9:00 AM	MAY, LARRY	HC-18-279	MCCLURE 818 W	3-Jul-18	REVIEW
TD	NO	9:00 AM	COHEN, JEFF	HC-18-256	MCCLURE 826 W	3-Jul-18	REVIEW
TD	NO	9:00 AM	FINNEY, CATHERINE & DAVID	HC-18-249	MCCLURE 910 W	3-Jul-18	REVIEW
TD	O	9:00 AM	HOCKENBURY, PATRICK	HC-18-557	MELBOURNE 802 W	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	O	9:00 AM	ESTATE OF TRAVIS FOLEY	HC-17-649	NEBRASKA 1123 W	3-Jul-18	REVIEW/DEFAULT PEND. \$1500
TD	NO	9:00 AM	EAKLE, RANDY	HC-18-555	WISWALL 2422 W	3-Jul-18	FIRST APPEARANCE

Peoria Cares



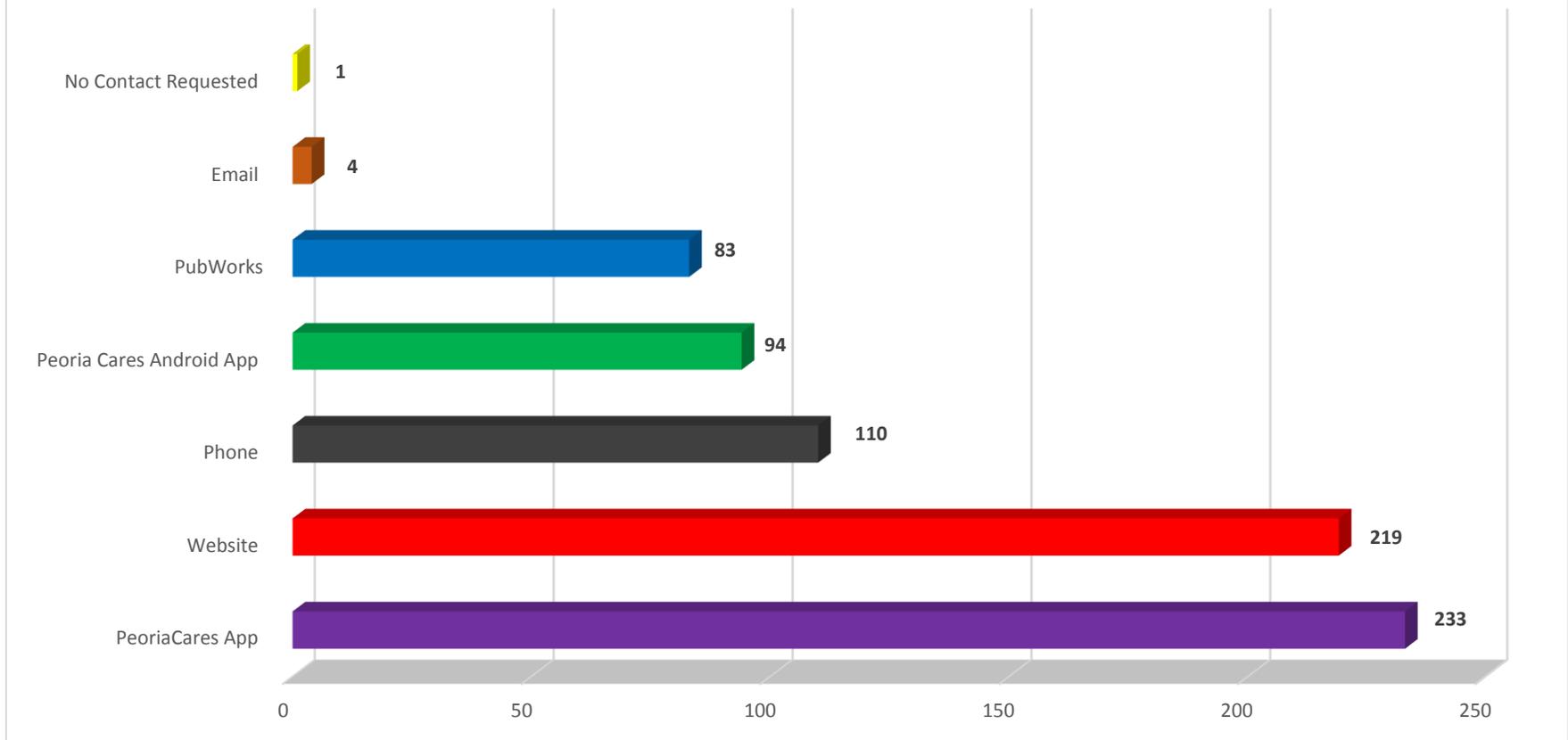
2018 Monthly Report

From: The Office of the City Manager

Presented to: City of Peoria, Mayor and Council Members

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

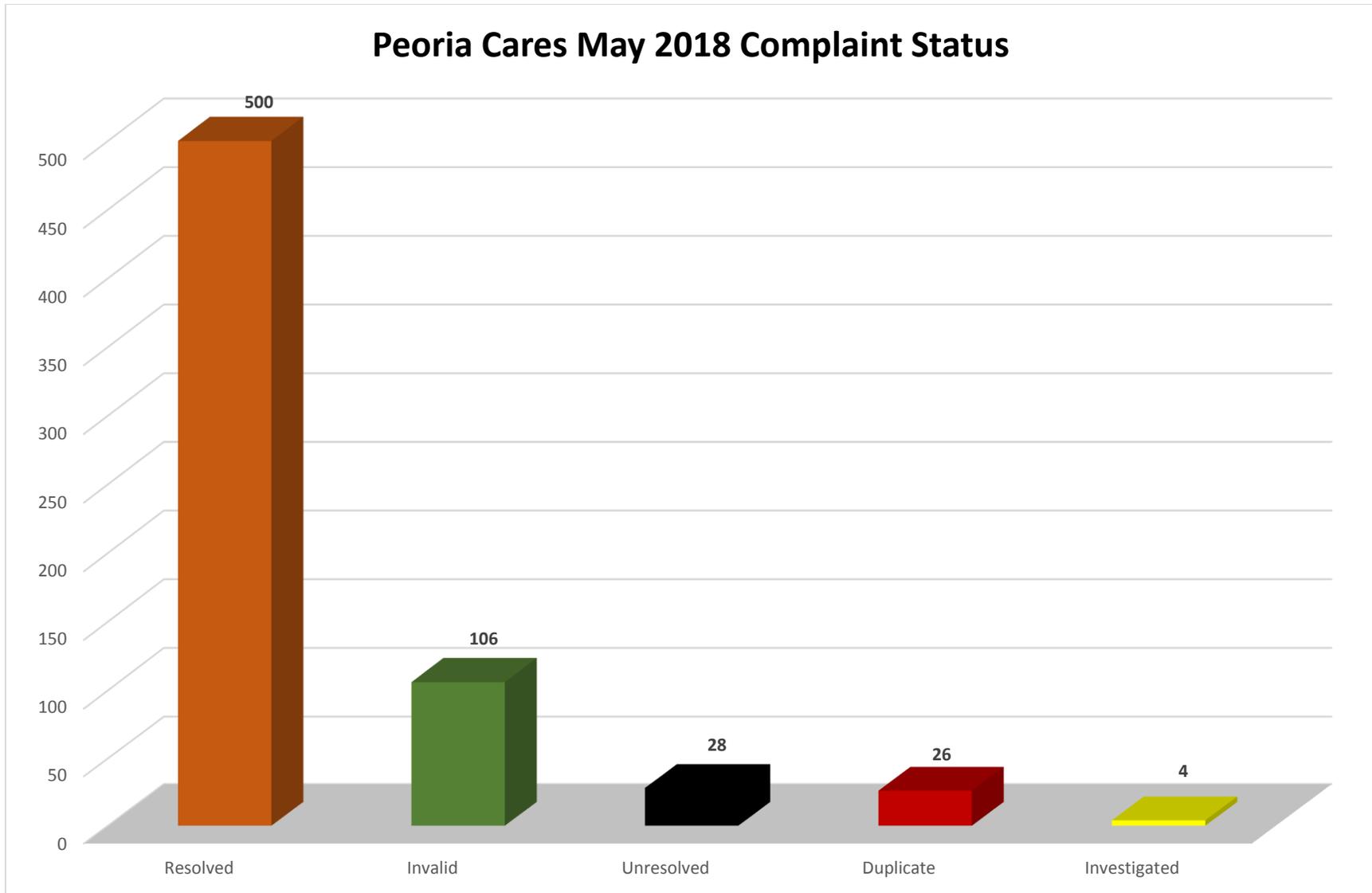
Peoria Cares Communication Transactions During the Month of May 2018



In May, a total of 820 calls were received from the Peoria Cares phone line. There were 110 phone calls that generated a Peoria Cares case. 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. A few of the citizen phone calls required, research and information gathering for other assistance offered, in the Greater Peoria Tri-County Communities.



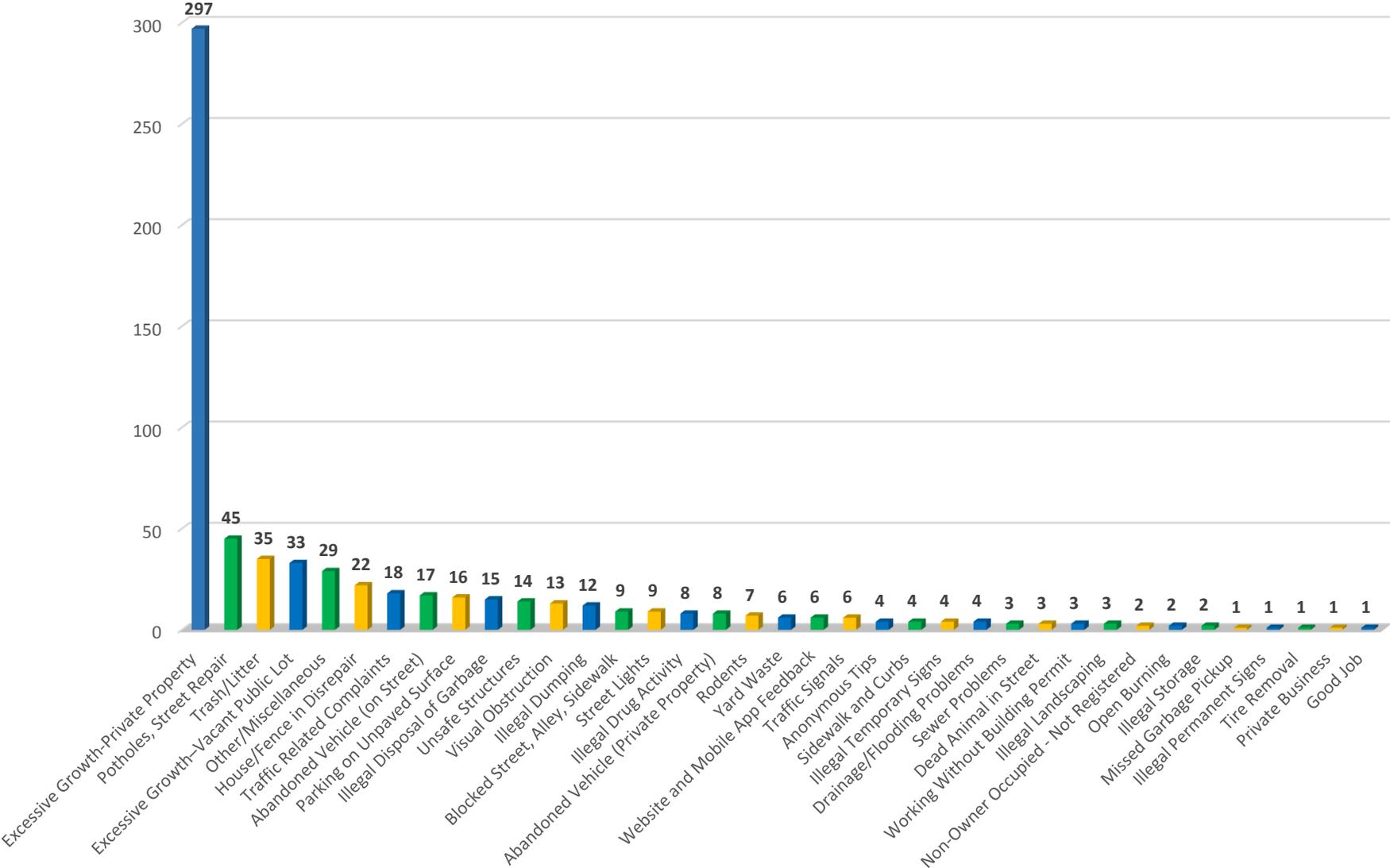
Peoria Cares May 2018 Complaint Status



The 28 unresolved Peoria Cares complaints, will be handled in a time sensitive manner, by its respective department(s). Each month, our goal is to follow-up with all departments unresolved complaints, and to ensure we can quickly respond to citizen's needs.



Peoria Cares May 2018 Complaints by Category





**SPECIAL MEETING
PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2018
CITY HALL, ROOM 400 – 1:00 P.M.**

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF JULY 5, 2018 MINUTES**
- 4. REGULAR BUSINESS**

Deliberations will be held at the end of each case after public comment has been closed. No public comment is allowed during deliberations.

CASE NO.
PZ 18-28
*(Continued
from
07/05/2018)*

Hold a Public Hearing and forward a recommendation to City Council on the request of Tim Roth, of the Vecino Natural Bridge, to obtain a Special Use for waiver(s) related to a mixed use development in the WM (West Main Form) District, for generally addressed as 839 W Main, more specifically including addresses of 839 W Main Street, 1013 and 1029 Orange Street, 834, 838, and 842 Russell Street, and 1010, 1012, 1016, 1018 and 1022 Garfield Avenue (Parcel Identification Nos. 18-05-429-001 through 18-05-429-011, and 18-05-429-013), Peoria, Illinois (Council District 2).

- 5. CITIZENS' OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION**
- 6. ADJOURNMENT**