

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Patrick Urich, City Manager 

DATE: March 16, 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.

Office of the City Council and Mayor-Policy Session

There will be a special city council meeting to hold a policy session to discuss solid waste collection service on Tuesday, March 20 at 6:00 p.m

Additional information may be found by clicking [HERE](#)

Office of the City Council and Mayor-Water Buyout Page

A new page has been created on the city's website to update the public on the water buyout discussion. Included on this page are items presented at council meetings and an email address to send questions. Questions will be gathered and posted with the answers at a later date. To view this page, click [HERE](#)

City of Peoria and Several Retired Peoria Police Officers Win Civil Rights Case

A Federal Court has granted the City of Peoria's and several retired Peoria Police Officers' motion for summary judgment dismissing a civil rights lawsuit filed by Christopher Coleman. Judge Sara Darrow of the U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois, in an opinion issued on March 9, 2018, held as a matter of law that no reasonable jury could side with Coleman concerning his civil rights lawsuit or return a verdict in his favor.

In 2015, Coleman filed a civil rights lawsuit against retired Peoria Police Officers Patrick Rabe, Terry Pyatt, Timothy Anderson and Michael Ford claiming they violated Coleman's constitutional rights which resulted in his 1995 conviction of armed robbery and sexual assault. Over the past few years, attorneys representing Coleman, the City of Peoria, and the involved officers have embarked on gathering evidence to prove or disprove Coleman's claims, including reviewing thousands of police documents and deposing scores of witnesses.

The City and the officers felt that the evidence gathered did not support Coleman's claims and filed a motion for summary judgment asserting they were entitled to judgment in their favor. The evidence was presented to Judge Darrow and after a thorough review she found there was insufficient evidence to support the constitutional violations Coleman said occurred.

“We are very pleased with the court’s decision,” said James G. Sotos, attorney for the City of Peoria and the Peoria Police Officers named in the lawsuit. “This is a positive resolution for both the City and the police officers who were wrongfully accused of misconduct in this case. Despite the claims made by Coleman, the evidence shows that the officers acted appropriately, there was probable cause to arrest Coleman, and that he received a fair trial in 1995.”

Community Development—Home Show

From February 23rd-25th, the City of Peoria Community Development Department staffed a booth at the 2018 Spring Home Show at the Peoria Civic Center. Each year, the Home Builders Association of Greater Peoria hosts this event featuring different exhibitors displaying a wide range of interior, exterior, home building, and home remodeling services and products.



The 2018 Home Show was a great opportunity for residents to get answers to simple building code questions as well as current and future planned development around town. This year, members of our Urban Planning and Building Safety divisions spoke with about 800 residents and homeowners about building requirements.



Peoria Fire Department-Annual Report

Please see attached.

Peoria Public Library—Library Journal Features Roberta Koscielski, Deputy Director

Roberta Koscielski | Movers & Shakers 2018 – Advocates



Conversation Catalyst

Roberta Koscielski has a long history with the Peoria Public Library (PPL)—and with Common Place Family Learning Center, a community education nonprofit on Peoria’s south side, where she trained as an adult literacy tutor and eventually joined the board. That early connection set the tone for her entire 34-year library career.

In 2012, Peoria city mayor and the county state’s attorney asked Koscielski to help lead a new approach to reducing gang violence in the city, using David Kennedy’s book *Don’t Shoot: One Man, a Street Fellowship, and the End of Violence in Inner-City America* (Bloomsbury USA) for Peoria Reads! (a one-book, one-city program PPL cofounded with Common Place in 2001) as a catalyst for community conversation. The Don’t Shoot project became a successful cornerstone of Peoria’s antiviolence efforts. Now, the Peoria Police Department holds “Call Ins” at PPL, in-person after-hours meetings with gang members, while their families receive support services in separate meetings. In 2016, Peoria Reads! took on the skyrocketing opiate addiction issue, again collaborating with local government. It featured Sam Quinones’s *Dreamland: The True Tale of America’s Opiate Epidemic* (Bloomsbury). “The more I personally learned about the heroin and opioid epidemic, the more I was motivated to increase awareness,” says Koscielski, who extended the Dreamland project beyond the normal Peoria Reads! audience and time line to include community forums, a health

practitioner symposium, a “one-book” project at a local high school, and presentations at a 55-and-older learning institute. The latter programs reached two demographics significantly impacted by the opiate crisis: teens and elders.

According to Koscielski, libraries are a “place to learn about issues, discuss them together, and work on solutions.” She calls them “thinkingspaces.”

[Access the online version of this article HERE](#)

Peoria Police Department-St. Patrick’s Day Parade—Don’t Drink and Drive

The Peoria Police Department today announced it will conduct special patrols this St. Patrick’s Day to crack down on drunk drivers and encourage people to wear their seat belts.

Widely celebrated across the country, St. Patrick’s Day is one of the deadliest holidays due to the number of drunk drivers on the road. Drunk driving kills more than 10,000 people each year in our country, and each of those deaths is preventable.

“We’re urging our community’s residents and guests to plan ahead for St. Patrick’s Day celebrations,” said Lt. Earnest McCall. “If you’re going to drink, designate a sober driver before you go out. Remember: It’s not just about you. There are other people on the roads who want to get where they are going safely.”

Designating a sober driver and not letting friends drive drunk are two easy ways to avoid a tragic crash or an arrest for drunk driving. Following are some additional tips.

If you’re hosting a St. Patrick’s Day party:

- Remember, you can be held liable if someone you serve is involved in a drunk driving crash.
- Make sure your guests designate a sober driver in advance or help arrange ride-sharing with sober drivers.
- Serve plenty of food and non-alcoholic beverages.

Keep phone numbers for local cab companies or your favorite ride-sharing app

handy and take keys away from anyone who is thinking of driving drunk.

If you’re going out for St. Patrick’s Day:

- Designate a sober driver ahead of time and give that person your car keys.
- If you don’t have a designated driver, call a cab, use ride-sharing, have a sober friend or family member pick you up or stay where you are and sleep it off.
- Never let a friend leave your sight if you think they’re about to drive after drinking.
- Buckle up – it’s your best defense in a crash.

Pedestrians are at risk, too. If you are walking, keep an eye out for cars. Even a sober driver is a risk if you are drinking and walking. Designated drivers: Be alert for impaired walkers who may not obey street signs and pedestrian signals.

The Illinois St. Patrick’s Day *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over* campaign is funded by federal highway safety funds administered through the Illinois Department of Transportation.

PeoriaCorps--PeoriaCorps shares green infrastructure practices with Richwoods High School students for National Americorps Week

Americorps Week, held March 11th – 17th, is an opportunity to highlight the work and service of thousands of Americorps members and volunteers around the nation.

On Wednesday March 14th, PeoriaCorps members participated in National Americorps Week by serving at Richwoods High School to talk Green Infrastructure. Corps member Rai-vyon Criss discussed with students about using recycled materials,



like tires, to create planters and other types of green infrastructure practices in landscaping projects.



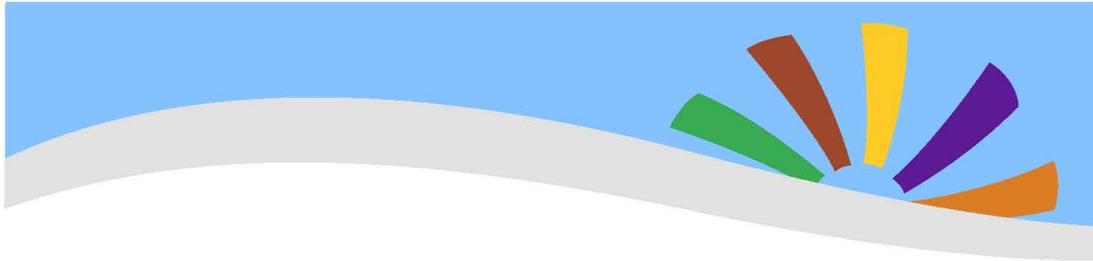
Over the last two months, PeoriaCorps members have met with Richwoods students in the AP Environmental Science and Horticulture classes to conduct surveys regarding green infrastructure practices as well as mine ideas on ways to address the combine sewer overflow challenge. .

After gathering the suggestions from the students, PeoriaCorps members designed and built, using recycled materials, examples of green infrastructure planters that could be incorporated in future landscape projects.

Peoria Corps members also lead a hands-on workshop for the horticulture students on tree pruning, including teaching them the proper way to identify limbs that need to be trimmed and explaining how this practice promotes health and growth in the trees.



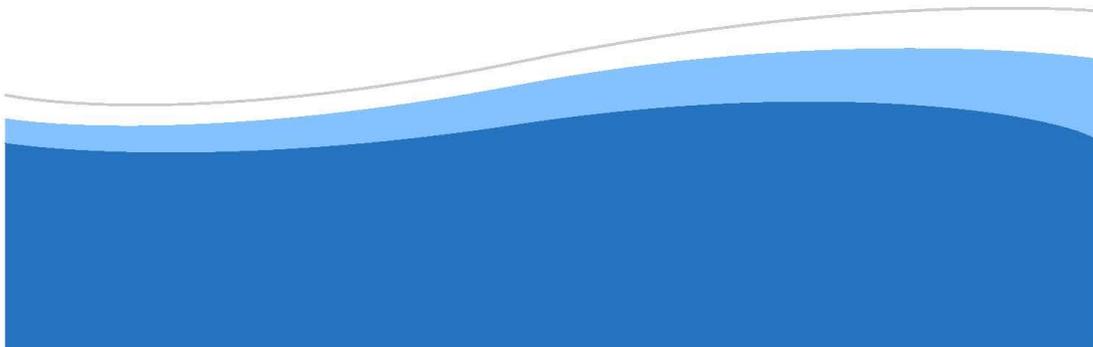
Public Works Open House Save the Date for May 24



SAVE THE DATE
National Public
Works Week
Open House
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Department of
Public Works



We would like to extend an invitation to you and members of your family to attend our Annual Open House on Thursday, May 24, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at 3505 N. Dries Lane, Peoria, IL 61604. Mark your calendars and stay tuned



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DAPCEP brings STEM learning opportunity from the Motor City to the River City

Nearly 100 Peoria Public School 5th through 8th grade students took advantage of an exciting opportunity during February and March.

Meeting each Saturday on the Bradley University campus, the students participated in the Detroit Area Pre-College Engineering Program (DAPCEP). The DAPCEP STEM Saturday program has served 10,000 students at over ten Michigan college and university campuses. This is the first time the program has been offered outside Michigan.

Bringing DAPCEP to Peoria was a combined effort by BU professor Dr. Jacqueline Henderson, BU Caterpillar College of Engineering Dean Lex Akers, BU Alum Stephen Lewis, DAPCEP director Dr. Michelle Reaves and PPS Academic Instructional Officer Dr. Jerry Bell.

DAPCEP STEM Saturday offered classes in:

- Fluids & Water System Engineering-the study of open channel flow systems. Students also applied engineering processes to make dirty water into clean drinking water.
- Engineering in Medicine: Participants explored the integration of engineering and its impact on medical training through patient simulation.
- Chemistry: Students studied polymers, environmental chemistry, biochemistry, and the chemical of enzymes and living things.
- Coding: Students explored coding through hands-on interactive tutorials where they learned concepts such as: inputs and outputs, loops, variables, logic, and function.

Perhaps as important as these specific STEM areas, students learned that following STEM professions can bring about amazing changes in our world. "STEM areas have transformed this country and the world," Dean Akers told the students and parents at the closing lunch. "Someone in this room could be on the NASA crew that goes to Mars in 2030."

Also speaking at lunch, Stephen Lewis told the students that after earning an engineering degree at BU and an MBA at Marquette University, he spent his career with Ford Motor Co. traveling worldwide. "I wanted to bring DAPCEP to Bradley University because I want to make sure that children have opportunities to learn STEM areas early and that they have the chance to be on the Bradley University campus," said Lewis.

I am so proud of these students for giving up their Saturday's for this amazing learning opportunity and I appreciate the efforts of Bradley University and DAPCEP to offer STEM Saturdays to Peoria area students.

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Guided by our strategic plan, we are currently working to develop more STEM opportunities for PPS students, including the implementation of a STEM middle school.

Serve Passionately,



Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat, Superintendent

Code Violation Cases

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

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

Development Review Board Agenda

Please see attached.

Housing Court Cases

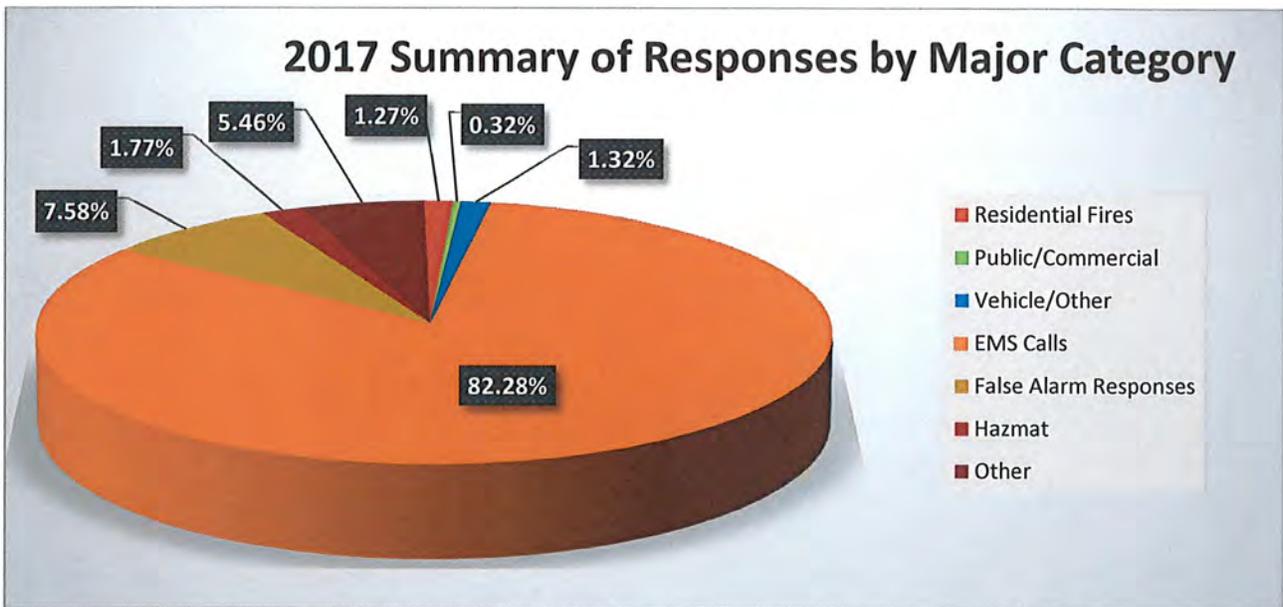
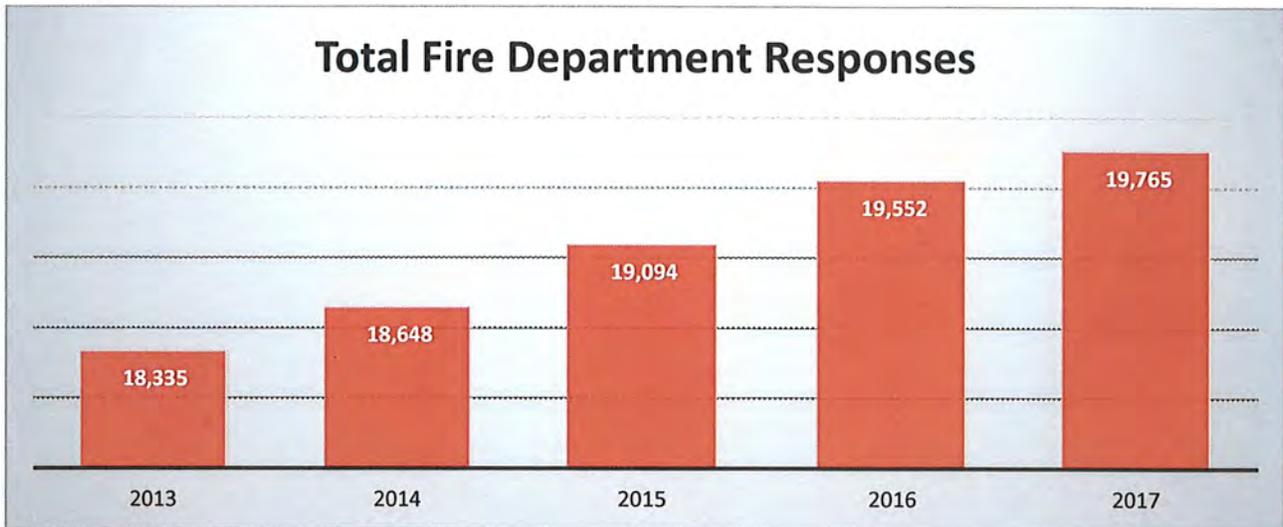
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Peoria Cares—Monthly Reports

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PEORIA FIRE DEPARTMENT

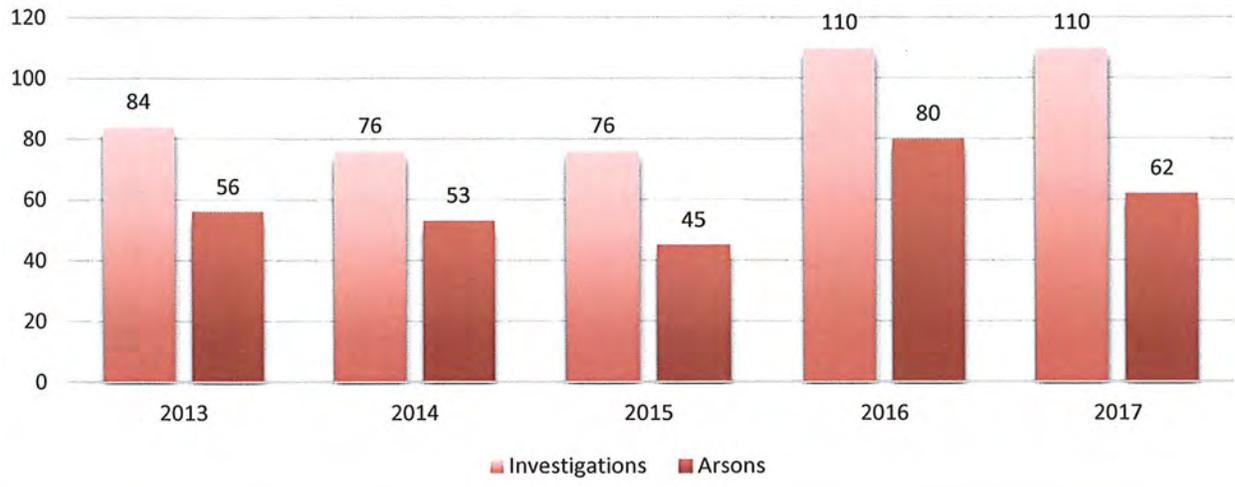
Comparative Fire Statistics - 2017



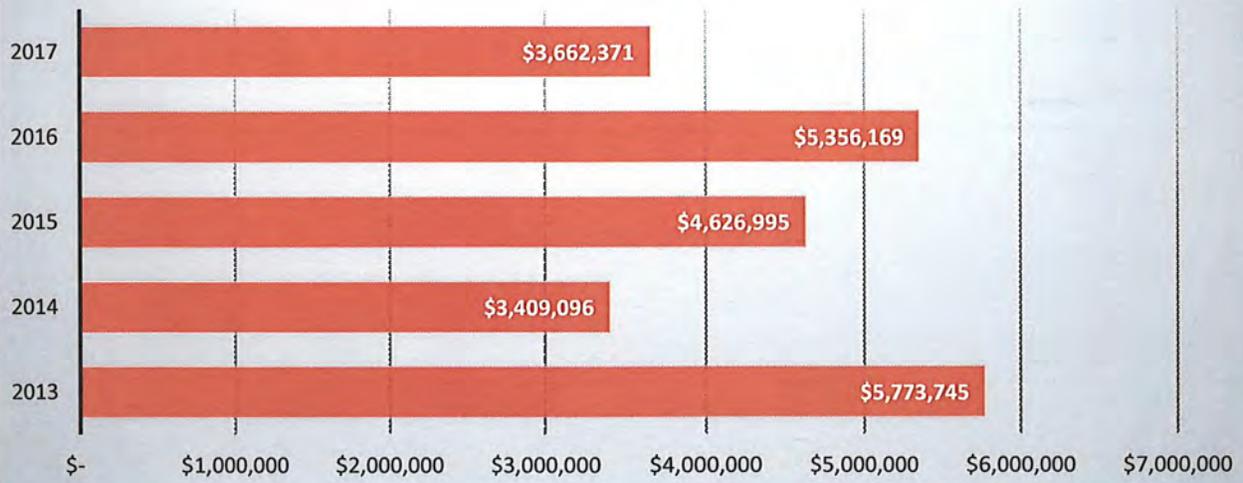
Summary of Responses by Major Category

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Residential Fires	242	229	214	258	252
Public/Commercial	71	51	50	61	63
Vehicle/Other	243	259	252	266	260
EMS Calls	14,625	14,679	15,420	16,053	16,263
False Alarm Responses	1,575	1,771	1,645	1,637	1,498
Hazmat	432	452	480	385	349
Other	1,147	1,207	1,033	892	1,080
Total Fire Department Responses	18,335	18,648	19,094	19,552	19,765

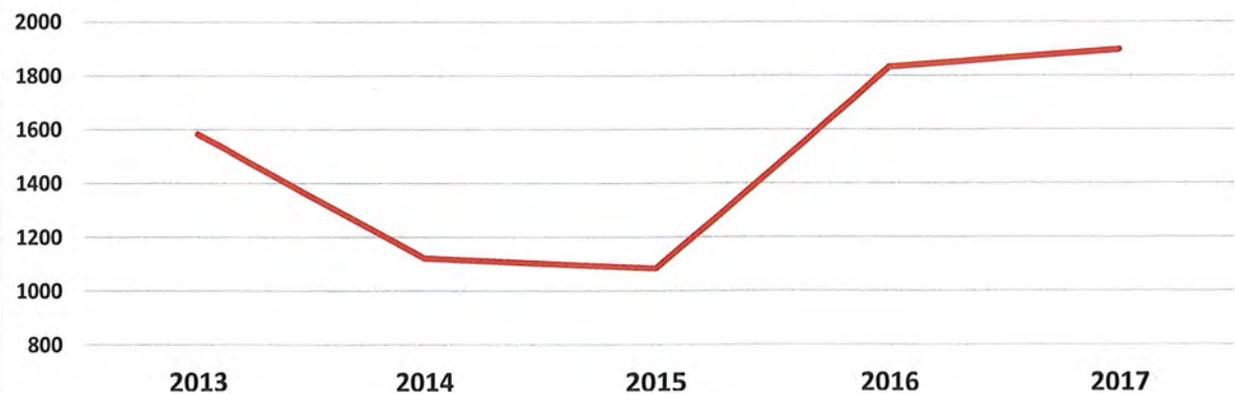
Investigations / Arsons



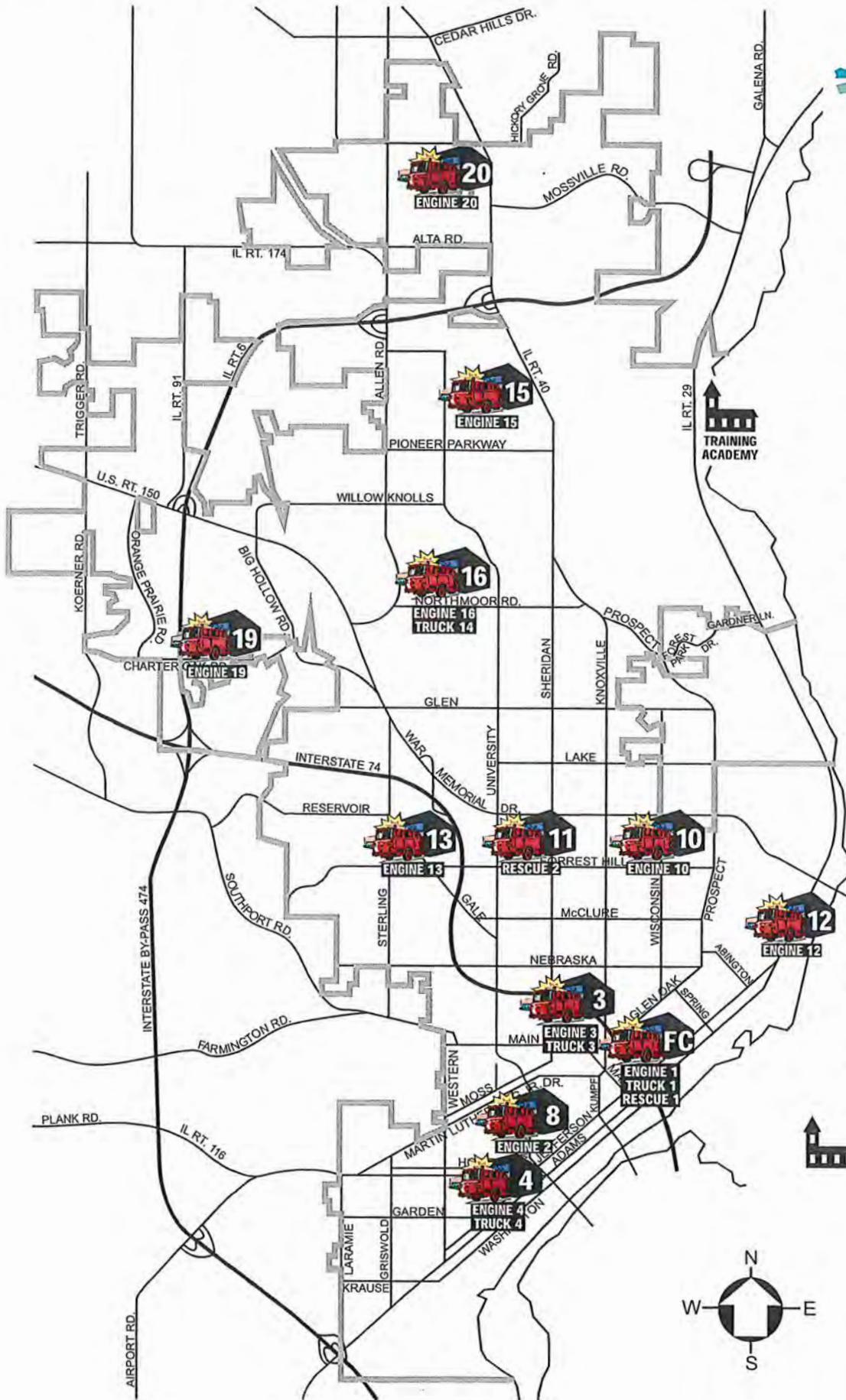
Dollar Loss



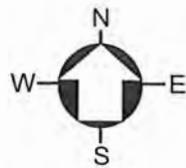
Building Inspections



Peoria Fire Department Station Locations



- FC FIRE CENTRAL**
505 NE MONROE ST.
61603
- 3 STATION #3**
1204 W. ARMSTRONG AVE.
61606
- 4 STATION #4**
2711 SW JEFFERSON AVE.
61605
- 8 STATION #8
FIRE GARAGE**
832 W. HURLBURT ST.
61605
- 10 STATION #10**
3316 N. WISCONSIN AVE.
61603
- 11 STATION #11**
1025 W. FLORENCE AVE.
61604
- 12 STATION #12**
3004 NE ADAMS ST.
61603
- 13 STATION #13**
2114 W. RICHWOODS BLVD.
61604
- 15 STATION #15**
717 W. DETWEILLER DR.
61615
- 16 STATION #16**
2105 W. NORTHMOOR RD.
61614
- 19 STATION #19**
5719 FROSTWOOD PKWY.
61615
- 20 STATION #20**
2020 W. WILHELM RD.
61615
- FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY**
7130 N. GALENA RD.
61615



2017 Peoria Fire Department

2017 Busiest Companies

Busiest Company Overall

R-1 2,880 runs

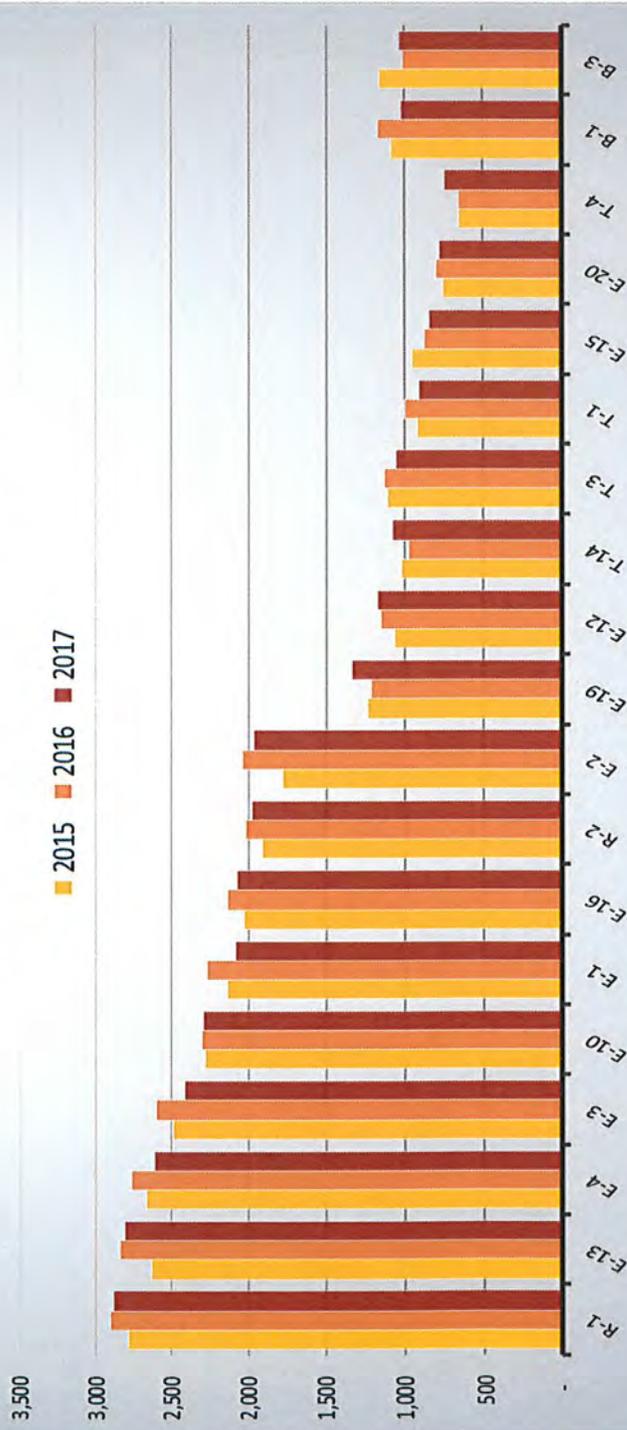
Busiest Engine Company

E-13 2,805 runs

Busiest Truck Company

T-14 1,075 runs

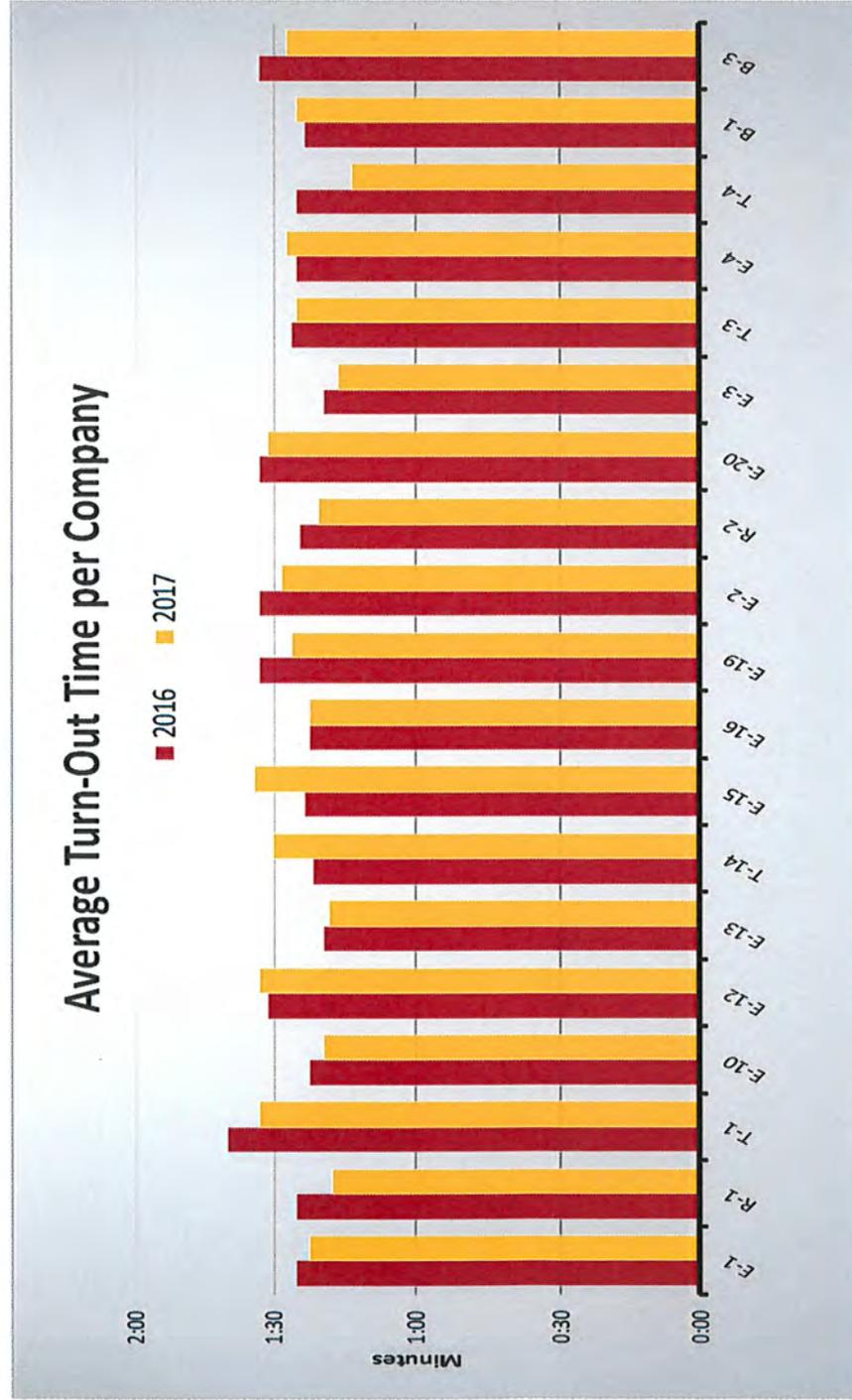
Responses per Company



Company	2015	2016	2017
R-1	2,792	2,908	2,880
E-13	2,634	2,839	2,805
E-4	2,668	2,762	2,612
E-3	2,494	2,606	2,413
E-10	2,289	2,310	2,296
E-1	2,139	2,274	2,085
E-16	2,035	2,142	2,081
R-2	1,908	2,025	1,974
E-2	1,783	2,043	1,968
E-19	1,238	1,216	1,336
E-12	1,062	1,149	1,167
T-14	1,022	973	1,075
T-3	1,104	1,125	1,049
T-1	925	1,001	908
E-15	952	871	840
E-20	756	805	779
T-4	653	662	748
B-1	1,085	1,174	1,016
B-3	1,155	1,007	1,031
Total	30,694	31,892	31,063

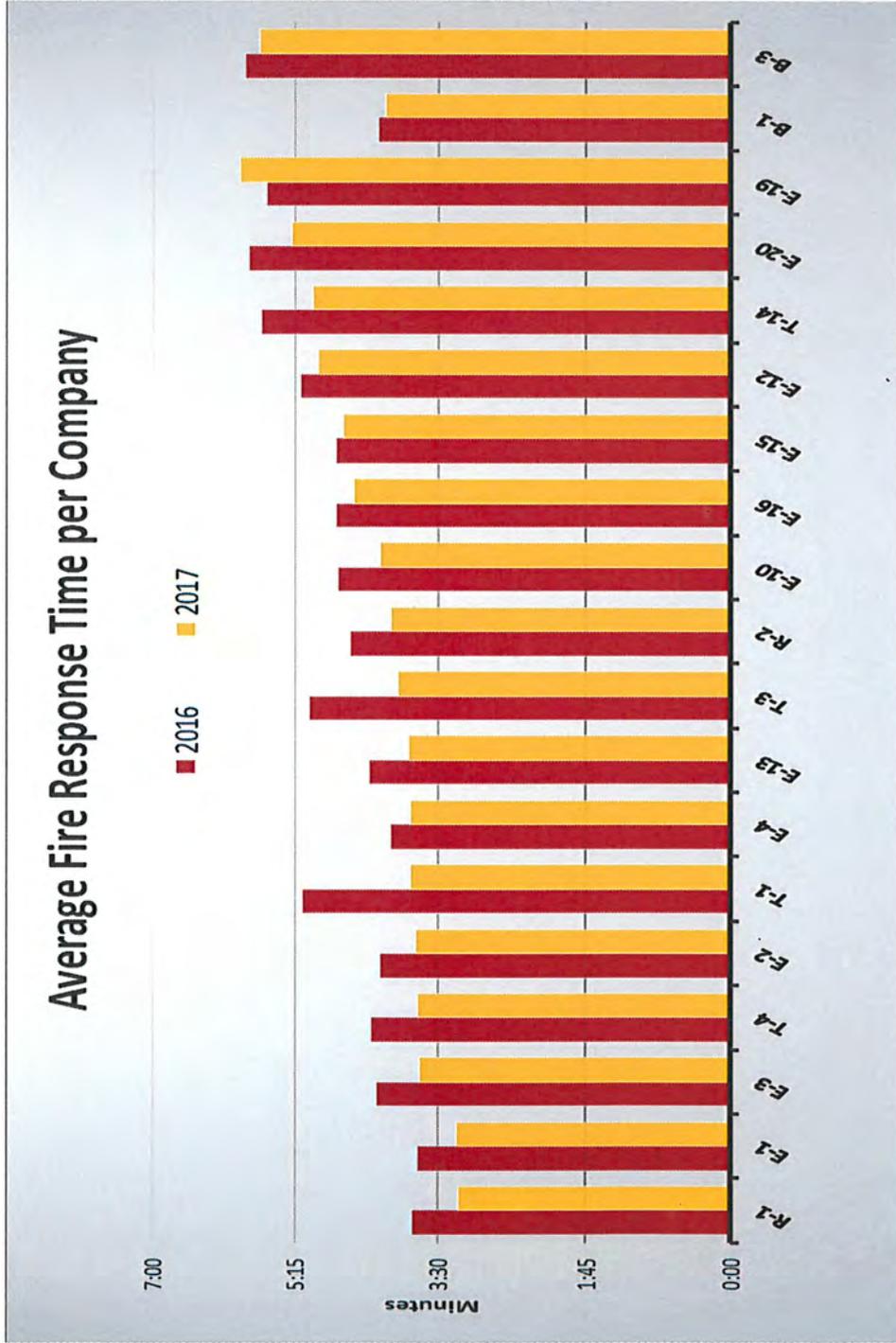
2017 Peoria Fire Department

Number of Calls	Average Fire Response Time	Average Turnout Time
19,765	4:25	1:26



Turn-out time is the amount of time from when the fire station and firefighters are notified of a call until the beginning point of travel time.

2017 Peoria Fire Department



Company	2016	2017
R-1	3:49	3:16
E-1	3:45	3:17
E-3	4:15	3:44
T-4	4:19	3:45
E-2	4:13	3:46
T-1	5:11	3:50
E-4	4:05	3:50
E-13	4:21	3:52
T-3	5:05	3:59
R-2	4:35	4:05
E-10	4:44	4:12
E-16	4:45	4:33
E-15	4:45	4:40
E-12	5:12	4:58
T-14	5:41	5:03
E-20	5:50	5:19
E-19	5:37	5:57
B-1	4:14	4:09
B-3	5:52	5:42

Fire response time is the sum of turnout time and travel time.



DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD AGENDA

Plans Distributed: **March 14, 2018**
 Comments Due: **March 21, 2018**

Building/Projects this Week

18-149	5408 W LANDENS WAY 13-11-304-002	NEW COMMERCIAL	REVISION - New Construction – Country Financial – Council District 5 - JN
18-302	10408 N CENTERWAY DR 09-29-378-005	COMMERCIAL ALTERATION	Interior Alteration – OSF Urgo (Landlord portion) – Council District 5 - JN
18-321	10809 N KNOXVILLE 09-29-326-001	COMMERCIAL ADDITION	Addition – St Jude – Council District 5 - JN
18-324	704 HAMILTON 18-04-454-001	COMMERCIAL ALTERATION	Interior Alteration – Dream Center – Council District 1 - LA

Building Permits Issued

Commercial		Residential	
New Commercial	-	New Single-Family Dwelling	-
Commercial Alteration	2	Residential Demolition	2
Commercial Demolition	-	Residential Repairs/Alterations	4
Electrical	9	Electrical	6
HVAC	-	HVAC	2
Plumbing	2	Plumbing	7

Certificates of Occupancy Issued

Address/Location	Business Name	Date Issued	CD

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	\$ 11,834,068.00
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Community Development Department

Address/Location	Project Type	Public Hearing Date	CD
N/A	PZ Commission, Text Amendment	4/5/2018	2

Peoria City/County Health Department

Address/Location	Business Name	Information Update	CD
627 Main	Berlin International		1

	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	llallison@peoriagov.org	ksmith@peoriagov.org	stechie@peoriagov.org	jnaven@peoriagov.org	jnaven@peoriagov.org
Building Inspector	Roberto Medina	Chris Frank	Roberto Medina	Chris Frank	Bill Dodd
Phone	494-8623	494-8633	494-8623	494-8633	494-8653
E-mail	rmedina@peoriagov.org	cfrank@peoriagov.org	rmedina@peoriagov.org	cfrank@peoriagov.org	wdodd@peoriagov.org
	Scot Wolf (Downtown & Warehouse District Only)				
	494-8628				
	swolf@peoriagov.org				
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<u>Inspector</u>	<u>Property Owner</u>	<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
AM	SHOLTY RUTH	HC-18-074	CALIFORNIA 3114	REVIEW
AM	GUERRERO, JOSE	HC-18-100	CENTRAL 2141 N	REVIEW
AM	MADRIGAL JUAN	HC-17-1052	CENTRAL 2326	REVIEW
AM	GLUCK-MUNSON KARLA	HC-17-990	MISSOURI 1629	TO POST
AM	A & A PROPERTY GROUP	HC-17-1020	MISSOURI 1837	REVIEW
AM	CALBUR HOME LOANS	HC-17-869	NEBRASKA 0909 E	REVIEW
AM	BRIAN REAY & MICHAEL HAMPTON	HC-18-160	THRUSH 321 E	FIRST APPEARANCE
AM	NUNN KERENSA	HC-18-159	THRUSH 401 E	FIRST APPEARANCE
AM	EDWARD P. MULLANE III TRUST	HC-17-673	WILLOW 925 W	REVIEW
JS	RASHID FLOYD/JANELLE	HC-17-591	KNOXVILLE 7417	HEARING / DEFAULT \$4,400
JS	GALLAGHER, JAMES	HC-18-095	OVERHILL 2712 W	REVIEW
JS	TANK VIRGINIA/TIMOTHY	HC-17-1031	RANDWICK 6607	REVIEW
LA	HAMMITT, SHERI	HC-18-094	ADAMS 3015 NE	REVIEW
LA	CJD PROPERTIES INC	HC-18-158	ANTOINETTE 2300 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
LA	HCD PROPERTIES LLC & FRIEDMAN MANAGEMENT	HC-18-170	DR M L KING JR W 2331 #205	FIRST APPEARANCE
LA	BELLEMEY CHARLES	HC-18-167	GRINNELL 3025 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
LA	ROGER K HEIM TRUST	HC-18-104	HAYES 1903 W	REVIEW
LA	BOON TERESA	HC-18-171	MADISON PARK 435 S	FIRST APPEARANCE
LA	WEEKS, DARREN	HC-17-610	MILLMAN 2130 W	REVIEW
LA	HARDESTY ENTERPRISES LTD	HC-18-168	WESTERN 1501 S	FIRST APPEARANCE
LA	HOLMES SARA	HC-18-169	WESTMORELAND 419 S	FIRST APPEARANCE
LE	CJD PROPERTIES INC	HC-18-113	BLAINE 803 S	REVIEW
LE	MCNEAR JOE	HC-17-918	HOWETT 1405	REVIEW
LE	GABBERT CHARLES T	HC-18-157	MARTIN 1609 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
LE	WILLIAMS ANTHONY R	HC-18-156	MILLMAN 1531 W	FIRST APPEARANCE

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NR	HARPER, BRANDY & HARRIS, CORRY	HC-18-096	FRINK 1222 N	REVIEW
NR	HIGHFILL JOHN	HC-18-161	MAIN 1018 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
NR	STINNETT, CONRAD	HC-17-807	UNDERHILL 1027 N	REVIEW
SD	FOREMAN BRENDA	HC-17-1053	GIFT 0907 W	REVIEW
SD	TODD, MATTHEW	HC-18-089	JEFFERSON 1317 NE	REVIEW
SD	DE GARCIA PRECIADO, MARIA	HC-18-091	MADISON 1209 NE	REVIEW
TD	ADELL VONNIE/ROBERT	HC-17-974	DOUGLAS 1613	REHEARING/DEFAULT \$600
TD	BROWN, DEAUNDRE	HC-16-1559	ELMWOOD 2404 N	REVIEW
TD	HAROLD BREITENBACH ESTATE	HC-17-1050	GIFT 0915 W	REVIEW
TD	BRIDGES BRYSON	HC-18-166	GIFT 1010 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	UPGRADE DEVELOPMENT	HC-18-080	GREAT OAK 1606 UNIT 3	REVIEW
TD	FEDERAL NATL MORTGAGE ASSOC	HC-17-1042	HANSSLER 1015 W	REVIEW
TD	ANDRADA WILMER	HC-18-163	HANSSLER 816 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	MEADOR ALISSA	HC-18-162	HANSSLER 818 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	O'BRIEN	HC-18-151	HUDSON 1920 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	MARTIN RONALD	HC-18-155	KANSAS 2620 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	WELLS FARGO BANK	HC-18-153	LEHMAN 2229 N	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	WHITBY MARK	HC-18-152	MARGARET 1509 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	SUE & JOHN EHLERS	HC-18-164	MCCLURE 1019 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	COCKROFT WILLIE	HC-18-165	MCCLURE 1021 W	FIRST APPEARANCE
TD	UNKNOWN HEIRS OF SANDRA SANDY	HC-18-154	NORTHCREST 2217 N	FIRST APPEARANCE

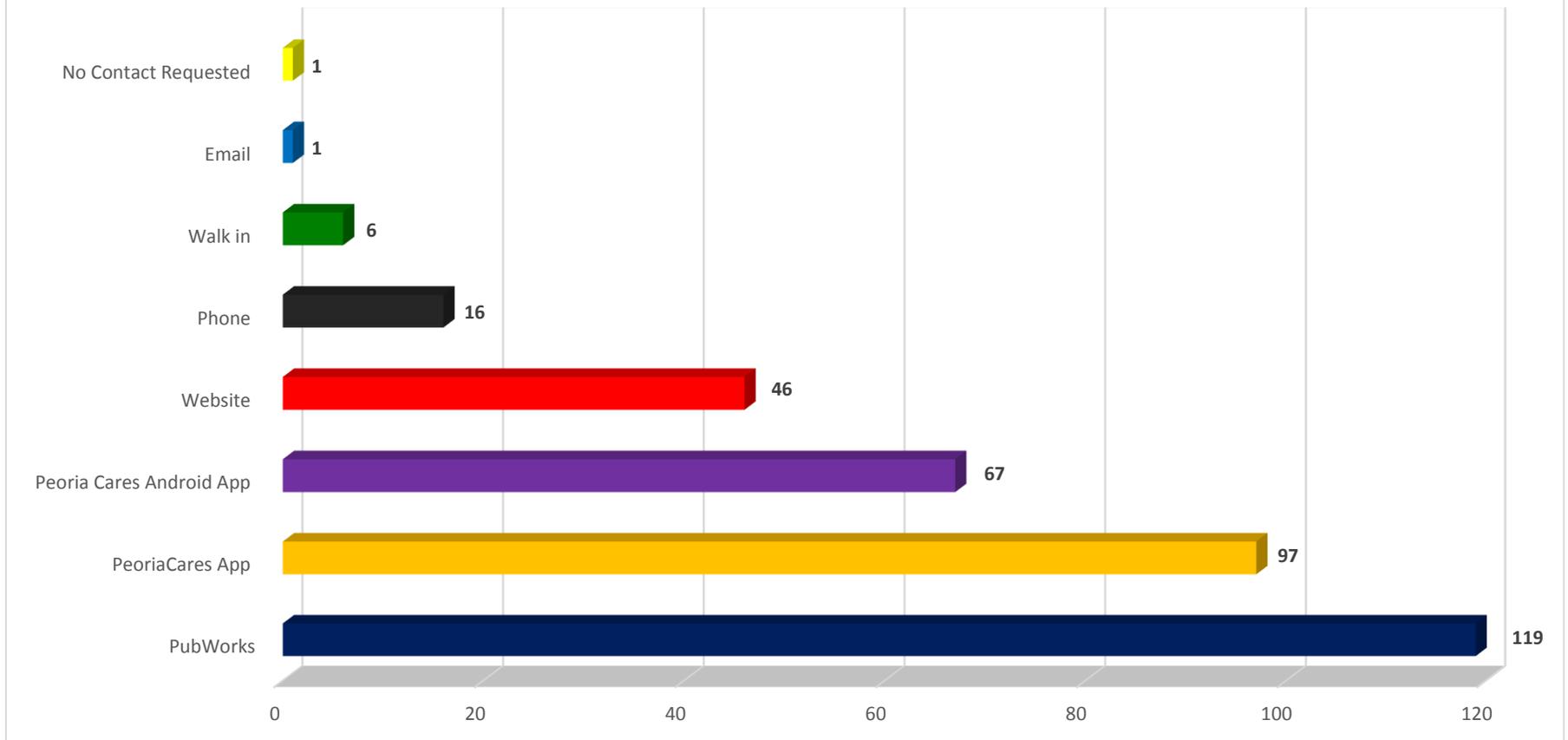
Peoria Cares



2018 Monthly Report

***From: The Office of the City Manager
Presented to: City of Peoria, Mayor and Council Members
Tuesday, March 13, 2018***

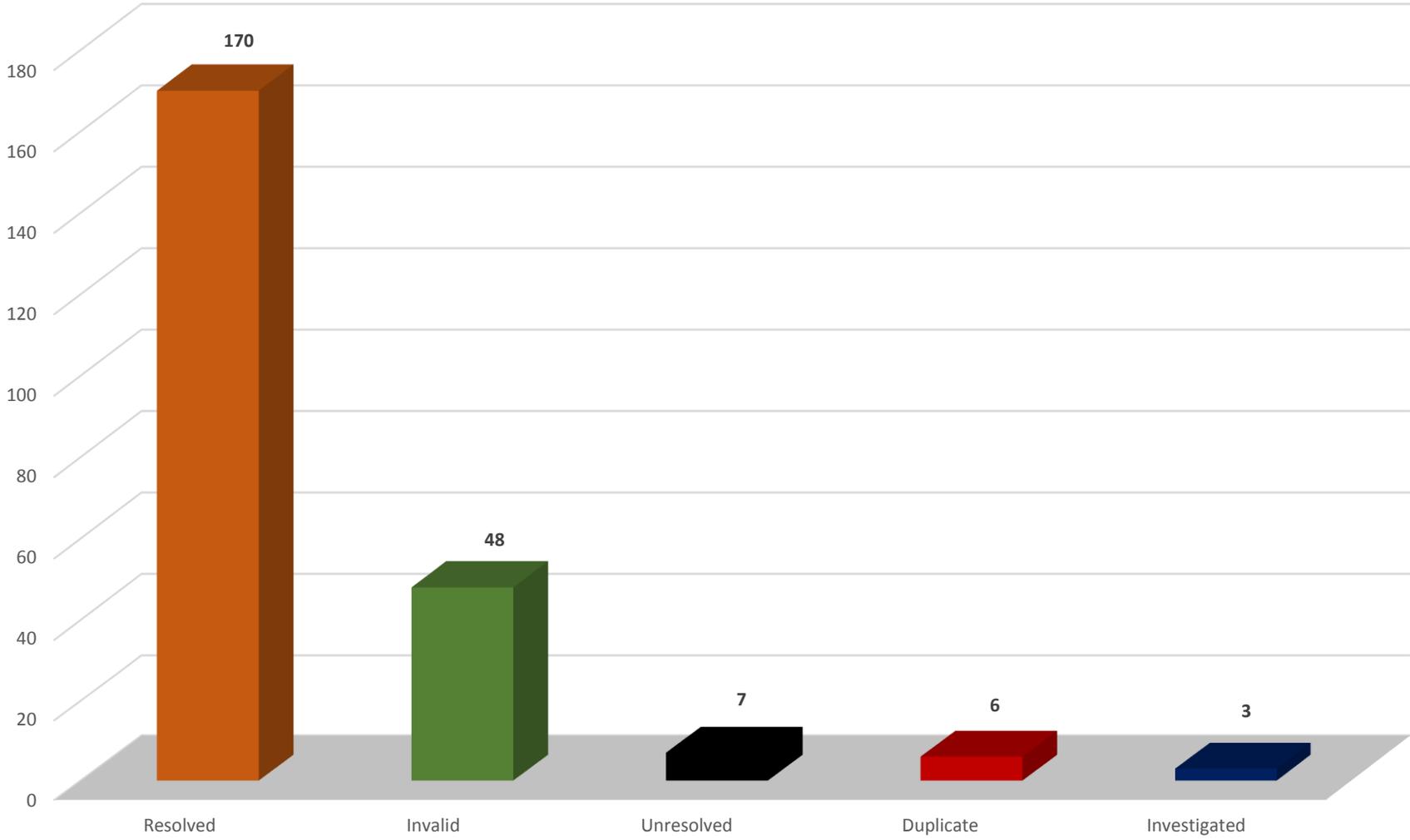
Peoria Cares Communication Transactions During the Month of February 2018



In February, a total of 773 calls were received from the Peoria Cares phone line. There were 16 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 February 2018 Complaint Status



The seven 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 February Complaints by Categories

