



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER



TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
FROM: Patrick Urich, City Manager *Patrick Urich*
DATE: March 1, 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.

WATER BUYOUT-Information at www.peoriagov.org/waterbuyout

The city council has until November 2 to consider passing a resolution to purchase the water company, putting it under the city's list of services. Due to an ordinance passed in 1889, the council has the opportunity to revisit this decision every 5 years. There is now a "water buyout" page, located at www.peoriagov.org/waterbuyout, which will contain information presented at council meetings, questions and answers and information on city policy sessions. Please email waterbuyout@peoriagov.org and questions will be answered, compiled and posted in a timely manner.

PADEAT Career Fair

The Peoria Area Diversity in Employment Action Team (PADEAT), along with several community partners, will host the 5th Annual Women and Minority Construction Trades Career Fair on Saturday, March 3, 2018. Attendees will learn about various responsibilities across the trades as well as available apprentice schools and future employment opportunities in the area.

The Peoria Area Diversity in Employment Action Team is an ad-hoc committee on equal employment in the Building Trades. Their mission is to "facilitate education, communication, and training to enhance opportunity for union construction employment that represents the demographics of the Greater Peoria region as covered by the West Central Illinois Building and Construction Trades".

WHAT: 5th Annual Building Trades Career Fair

WHEN: Saturday, March 3, 2018 from 9:00 a.m.-noon

WHERE: Manual High School, 811 S. Griswold St. Peoria, IL

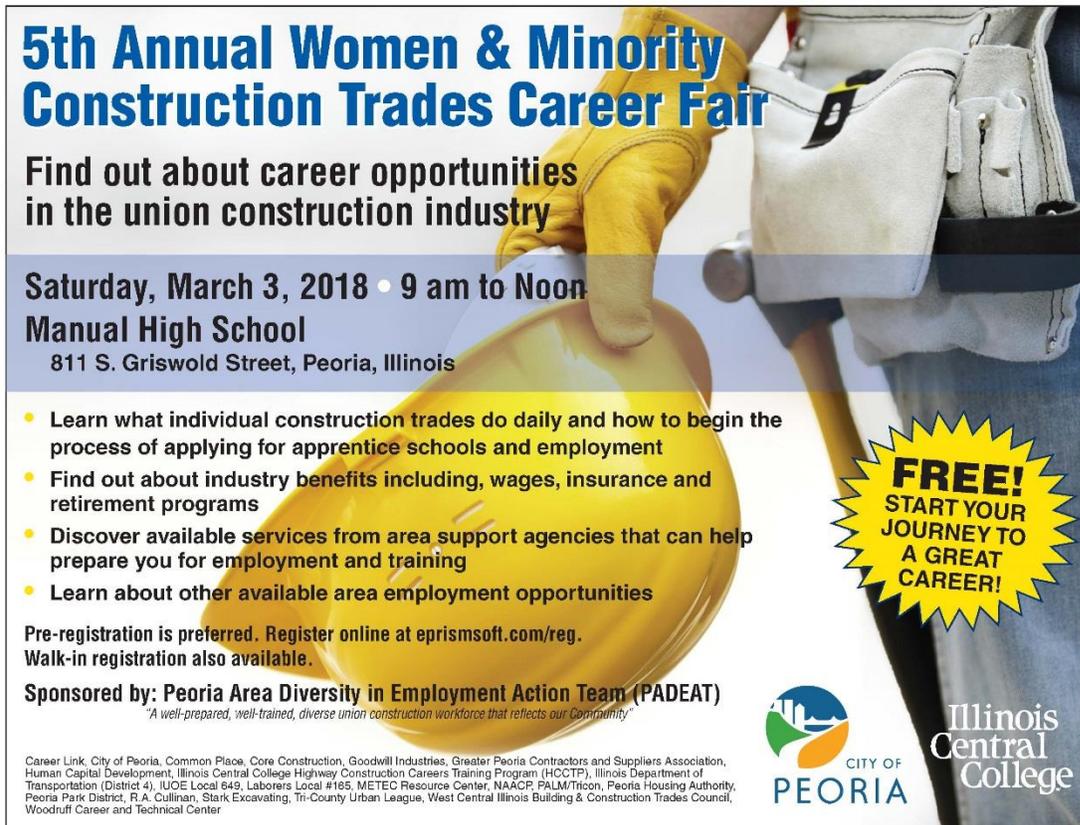
COST: FREE EVENT

PRE-REGISTER: www.eprismsoft.com/reg

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Pre-registration is preferred. Register at www.eprismsoft.com/reg
Walk-in registration is also available.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: <http://www.peoriagov.org/public-works/constructioncareerspeoria/>



5th Annual Women & Minority Construction Trades Career Fair

Find out about career opportunities in the union construction industry

Saturday, March 3, 2018 • 9 am to Noon
Manual High School
811 S. Griswold Street, Peoria, Illinois

- Learn what individual construction trades do daily and how to begin the process of applying for apprentice schools and employment
- Find out about industry benefits including, wages, insurance and retirement programs
- Discover available services from area support agencies that can help prepare you for employment and training
- Learn about other available area employment opportunities

Pre-registration is preferred. Register online at eprismsoft.com/reg.
Walk-in registration also available.

Sponsored by: Peoria Area Diversity in Employment Action Team (PADEAT)
"A well-prepared, well-trained, diverse union construction workforce that reflects our Community"

FREE!
START YOUR JOURNEY TO A GREAT CAREER!

CITY OF PEORIA
Illinois Central College

Career Link, City of Peoria, Common Place, Core Construction, Goodwill Industries, Greater Peoria Contractors and Suppliers Association, Human Capital Development, Illinois Central College Highway Construction Careers Training Program (HCCTP), Illinois Department of Transportation (District 4), IUOE Local 649, Laborers Local #185, METEC Resource Center, NAACP, PALM/Tricon, Peoria Housing Authority, Peoria Park District, R.A. Cullinan, Stark Excavating, Tri-County Urban League, West Central Illinois Building & Construction Trades Council, Woodruff Career and Technical Center

Community Development—Landlord Training



On Thursday, February 22nd and Monday, February 26th, the Community Development



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Department held the 2018 Annual Training Session for Non-Owner Occupied Property Owners at the Peoria Civic Center.

The City of Peoria requires all non-owner occupied properties to be registered and pay an annual fee of \$150 per single family home. This requirement applies to vacant residential property, rental property, and properties that are not your primary residence.



This year, the City offered training sessions that provided landlords with information on property maintenance and the real estate market, as well as their legal rights and responsibilities as landlords and credit counseling. This year saw 1,250 property owners in attendance across three training sessions. Attending the Annual Training Session for Landlords and Non-Owner Occupied Property Owners reduces the registration fee to \$75 per single family home.

Special thanks to our guest speakers from PAAR, Prairie State Legal, and Navicore Solutions for their time and expertise

Community Development—CDBG Roof Program Lottery

The Community Development Department is currently accepting entries for the 2018 CDBG Roof Program lottery. Applicants may come to City Hall Room 300 any time during regular business hours to submit a household for the lottery by completing an entry form until 5 p.m. on Wednesday, March 7. The lottery will take place on Friday, March 9 at 1 p.m. Entrants are not required to be present at the lottery. The first 20 selected entries will have one week to submit all required documentation before moving on to the next household on the list. There is a limit of one entry per household, but no limit to the total number of households that may enter the lottery. Households must meet all CDBG eligibility criteria including owning the home for at least one year, meeting HUD income limits, and having homeowners insurance. For complete eligibility, please view the application materials at http://www.peoriagov.org/content/uploads/2012/11/2018-Roof-Program-Notice_1516228028_add.pdf

or contact the Community Development Department, Grants Management Division at 494-8600.

National League of Cities referring to Tax Reform and Cities-What the 'Tax Cuts and Jobs Act' Will Mean for Cities

By Brian Egan in Advocacy, Business, Economic Development, Federal Government, Finance, General, taxation on December 20, 2017

After a last-minute procedural delay forced the House of Representatives into a re-vote, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (H.R. 1) this morning passed both houses of Congress. The bill will now head to President Trump, who is expected to sign it into law.

The Senate had to make several last minute changes to the bill early this morning, which prompted the second House vote. While the procedural concerns delayed the process by a day, it did nothing to change the final outcome.

Over the last two weeks, Members of Congress and staffers from both chambers have raced to produce and pass a final bill onto the President's desk before Christmas. We've been tracking tax reform for several months, so here's a quick snapshot of what city leaders need to know about the final bill.

1) Publicly Issued Tax Exempt Municipal Bonds Continue to Be Safe

As a result of the efforts of thousands of local leaders, Congress heard the message that the tax exemption on publicly issued municipal bonds was not negotiable. While all versions of the bill protected this vital tool, Congress did take aim at other forms of bonds that help build stronger, healthier and more economically vibrant cities.

2) Local Leaders Helped Save Private Activity Bonds (PABs) in Final Bill

The House version of the bill proposed eliminating the exemption for interest earned on PABs, but the Senate bill spared this tool that helps finance city infrastructure like hospitals, water-sewage systems, transit systems and university campuses.

Local leaders helped stress the importance of PABs to their members of Congress, while NLC staff helped rally signatures from members of Congress for a letter of support out of Congressman Sam Graves' (R-MO-6) office. A nationwide advocacy effort pushed the needle and resulted in a final bill that preserves the tax exemption for PABs.

3) Advance Refunding Bonds Lose their Preferential Tax Treatment

The final bill slashes the tax exemption for interest earned on one-time refunding bonds. Local leaders continue to stress the utility of these bonds that have the potential to save cities millions, and we remain hopeful that technical corrections in the future may reinstate this tool.

4) State and Local Tax Deduction (SALT) Continues to Be Restricted

One of the main city concerns of tax reform is how SALT would fare. The final bill maintains the deduction for up to \$10k in property taxes combined with either income or sales tax. While this is real progress from

where we started, it still puts the deduction beyond the reach of the millions of middle class families who currently deduct their local taxes.

5) Key Tax Credits Survive with Some Restrictions

Cities initially faced possible elimination of the Historic Tax Credit (HTC), New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) and Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC). While the HTC and LIHTC were slightly limited, local leaders were mostly able to successfully advocate for and preserve important tax credits for cities.

6) Local Leaders Have Helped Make the Bill Better, But It's Still a Step Back for Cities

In a time of increasing preemption and declining federal investment in cities, the state and local tax (SALT) deduction has been a lasting tool for protecting local decision-making when setting local tax rates. Coupled with the elimination of advance refunding bonds, we cannot afford further attempts to push cities to do more with less.

City leaders nationwide have worked hard to send clear messages to Congress and have succeeded in making a bad bill better, but the fact remains: this final tax bill continues to target some of the tools that help millions of middle class families and the cities in which they live.

A Talk on The Small Scale Development Movement
Do you want to learn more about how you can become a small real estate developer for a project in your neighborhood? Are you an advocate or local leader looking to encourage better buildings in your community?

**March 7, 2018 at 6pm OR
March 8, 2018 at 1pm**
Peoria Riverfront
Museum Auditorium

CITY OF PEORIA INNOVATION TEAM
Incremental Development Alliance

Innovation Teams (i-teams) Come Learn about the Small Scale Development Movement!

Do you want to learn more about how you can become a small real estate developer for a project in your neighborhood? Are you an advocate or local leader looking to encourage better buildings in your community? Join the City of Peoria's Innovation Team and the Peoria Small Scale Development Host Committee for a lecture by Bernice Radle, Founder of Buffalove Development, to learn more about the upcoming Small Scale Development Workshop.

What Guest Lecture - A Talk on The Small Scale Development Movement

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When Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 6PM
OR
Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 1PM
Where The Peoria Riverfront Museum, Lakeview Room, Lower Level
222 Southwest Washington Street Peoria, IL, 61602
Register [Click here!](#)

Who Should Attend?

- Individuals in construction, design, planning or real estate looking to either **enhance their current practice or make career transition**
- Volunteers or professionals in business associations, main streets associations, historic preservation groups and neighborhood improvement groups looking to **champion incremental development in their communities**
- Public sector professionals in city management, economic development, planning, and related agencies who are looking to **make it easier for small development projects to occur** in their town
- Professionals in non-profit development organizations, churches, and community development or housing development **organizations who need new strategies for small lot development**
- Private banking professionals specializing in mortgages, commercial real estate loans or SBA loans and professionals as at Community Development Financial Institutions and Community Foundations **who want to become more effective investors**

The workshop is facilitated by the [Incremental Development Alliance](#), a national non-profit that works to build local wealth in neighborhoods through ground-up real estate development. See the attached flyer and register today at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-talk-on-the-small-scale-development-movement-tickets-43179011586>

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

The school shooting in Parkland, Florida and the national social media movement that followed has, understandably, been a topic of conversation – at our dinner tables, our workplaces and in our classrooms. As you know, plans are being made to organize students and teachers to walk out of the classrooms for 17 minutes on March 14 and April 20 to honor the lives lost in Florida.

While our hearts and prayers go out to the victims and families of this tragedy, Peoria Public Schools students and staff will remain in school. We believe students' and parents' voices can and should be heard on this issue. However, there are many ways to express one's opinion without disrupting our learning environment or causing concern for student safety.

We remain concerned about our children's mental and physical safety. When students leave our building during the school day, our staff loses control of a safe and supportive environment. Elementary aged children are not equipped to fully process and understand such events and participation could lead to an increased sense of fear and helplessness. The American School Counselor Association recommends that parents and adults:

- Listen to children's fears and concerns
- Limit exposure to television and social media

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- Reassure children that the world is a good place, but there are people who do bad things
- Keep routines as normal and predictable as possible – this includes attending school
- Remind children that we have drills and procedures in place to keep them safe.

Over the last several years, we have taken many steps to make our schools safer for students and staff. Our Social Emotional Learning and School Safety Departments both play big roles in continuing this work on a daily basis, building relationships with students, asking questions, maintaining visibility, referring students to resources and intervening when appropriate. Our school safety officers greet students at entrances in the morning and wand, they check for any security related structural issues as it pertains to building safety and integrity, they monitor traffic on school grounds and crossing guards throughout the city, they investigate safety issues and concerns during the normal school day, they serve as a DCFS, Peoria Police, and SEL liaisons, they visit classrooms for bully/cyber bully prevention presentations, and they conduct active shooter drills annually at each school with the help of Peoria Police. In addition, they are proactive by implementing student Interventions (over 200 documented during 2017-2018 school year, and 382 during 2016-2017 school year) .

We also have reporting structures in place at each building, along with a District-wide Tip Line, available by calling 309-606-4877 or at www.peoriapublicschools.org, to report issues for investigation and celebrate successes. Each building has an emergency crisis plan and a grief counseling plan in place and we also conduct crisis drills with students each school year so they know what to do in case of an emergency.

There are several ways to react to such a tragedy to promote change. For PPS, I believe the best way is more about predictability of our operation and the safety of the majority. Some ways our students are reacting while remaining in school are:

- Writing letters to the affected school, students and community, and to state and federal legislators.
- Fundraisers for victim's families
- Posters to promote a safe school environment.
- Student leader roundtable discussions.
- Grade level appropriate classroom discussions related to the national debate on improved school safety and/or gun control as it relates to government and current events.
- Having a "sit-in" in the hallway as a last resort at the high school level.

Together we can provide a safe and supportive environment for all students and staff so that we can achieve our mission of ensuring that each student reaches his or her full academic potential and is a well-balanced citizen. I appreciate your support and your trust in our District.

Serve Passionately,



Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat, Superintendent

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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

Please see attached.



DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD AGENDA

Plans Distributed: February 28, 2018

Comments Due: March 7, 2018

Building/Projects this Week

18-207	8717 N KNOXVILLE 14-05-278-018	NEWCOM- NEW COMMERCIAL	REVISION - New Construction – Subway – Council District 5 - JN
18-227	202 NE MADISON 18-09-227-018	COMALT – COMMERCIAL ALTERATION	Interior Alteration – South Side Office of Concern – Council District 1 - LA
Project 18-29	MULTIPLE PARCELS	PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION	Special Use – Notre Dame practice fields – Council District 5 -JN

Building Permits Issued

Commercial		Residential	
New Commercial	-	New Single-Family Dwelling	4
Commercial Alteration	1	Residential Demolition	-
Commercial Demolition	-	Residential Repairs/Alterations	6
Electrical	3	Electrical	10
HVAC	2	HVAC	17
Plumbing	5	Plumbing	3

Certificates of Occupancy Issued

Address/Location	Business Name	Date Issued	CD
5017 W American Prairie	Oasis Hair Salon	2/22/2018	5

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	\$ 7,757,068.00
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Peoria City/County Health Department

Address/Location	Business Name	Information Update	CD
500 Main St	Rumbergers		1
3201 NE Adams	Squirt		1
619 W Main	Something 2 Taco 'Bout		2
841 W Main	Town Food Mart		2

	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	kismith@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				9

HOUSING COURT DOCKET 3.6.2018

34 CASES

AM	NO	9:00 AM	UPGRADE DEVELOPMENT	HC-18-123	CALIFORNIA 2003	6-Mar-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
AM	O	9:00 AM	JORDAN, AUGUST	HC-18-072	CORRINGTON 414 E	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
BD	NO	9:00 AM	KELLOG CONDO ASSOCIATION	HC-17-894	WILLOW KNOLLS BLDG. B 3119 W	6-Mar-18	DEFAULT \$6,900	
JS	NO	9:00 AM	ZERBONIA, DANIEL	HC-17-0854	GLEN 2020	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
LA	O	9:00 AM	BRISBIN ESTATE	HC-18-034	LIGONIER 1604	6-Mar-18	TO POST	
LA	NO	9:00 AM	HARDY CHARLES	HC-18-022	LINCOLN 1929	6-Mar-18	TO POST	
LA	NO	9:00 AM	WEEKS, DARREN	HC-17-610	MILLMAN 2130 W	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
LE	NO	9:00 AM	MCCONNELL THERESA	HC-17-1028	BUTLER 1710	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
LE	NO	9:00 AM	QUAD CITY CONSOLIDATED	HC-17-1027	HURLBURT 1014	6-Mar-18	Rehearing/DEFAULT \$1000	
LE	NO	9:00 AM	HATCHER, MANUELA	HC-18-106	JEFFERSON 1703 NE	6-Mar-18	DEFAULT \$900	
LE	O	9:00 AM	MONTGOMERY CALVIN/GERTHA	HC-17-1018	MADISON 1418 NE	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
LE	NO	9:00 AM	HENLEY ANNETTE/CLARENCE	HC-17-1026	SARATOGA 0127 N	6-Mar-18	REHEARING / DEFAULT \$500	
LE	O	9:00 AM	JACKSON CHARLIE/JULIE	HC-18-006	MADISON 1412 NE	6-Mar-18	(TO POST)	
NR	NO	9:00 AM	CONSOLIDATED PROPERTIES	HC-17-914	BEHREND 0806 E	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
NR	NO	9:00 AM	SMITH, GREG	HC-18-073	ELLIS 1217-1219 N	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
NR	C	9:00 AM	SMITH, GREG	HC-18-066	ELLIS 1223 N	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
NR	NO	9:00 AM	SMITH GREG	HC-18-125	N NORTH 1310	6-Mar-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
NR	O	9:00 AM	BUSH SYLVESTER	HC-17-508	RUSSELL 0803 W	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
NR	O	9:00 AM	GIBSON LADELL	HC-17-1081	SHERIDAN 1106 N	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
SCA	NO	9:00 AM	MIDFIRST BANK	HC-17-762	MACQUEEN 716 W	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
SCA	NO	9:00 AM	GUYTON FAMILY TRUST	HC-17-760	SHERIDAN 2405 N	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
SD	NO	9:00 AM	HINRICHS DULCIE/KENNETH	HC-17-887	AVALON 2904	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
SD	NO	9:00 AM	HINRICHS DULCIE	HC-17-886	AVALON 2906	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
SD	NO	9:00 AM	ANDERSON J MICHAEL/PAMELA	HC-17-964	FLINT 2710	6-Mar-18	REVIEW / FINE PENDING \$1500	
SW	NO	9:00 AM	TCF INDUSTRIES INC.	HC-17-724	JEFFERSON 1200 SW	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
TD	NO	9:00 AM	CHRISTMAN, DEBORAH/MICHAEL	HC-18-122	BOURLAND 1629	6-Mar-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
TD	NO	9:00 AM	COLLINS, EDWIN	HC-17-771	DOUGLAS 1624 N	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
TD	NO	9:00 AM	JONES WILLIAM	HC-18-124	ELLIS 2221	6-Mar-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
TD	NO	9:00 AM	UPGRADE DEVELOPMENT	HC-18-123	LINN 2128	6-Mar-18	FIRST APPEARANCE	
TD	NO	9:00 AM	HUD	HC-17-1032	MACQUEEN 0909	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	

TD	NO	9:00 AM	COHEN JEFF	HC-18-075	MACQUEEN 711 W	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
TD	NO	9:00 AM	GUZMAN MARIA	HC-17-884	NEBRASKA 0919 W	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
TD	O	9:00 AM	WHITBY ROGER	HC-17-946	NOWLAND 0916	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	
TD	NO	9:00 AM	BROOKS LISA/NOEL	HC-17-1087	SHERIDAN 1827	6-Mar-18	REVIEW	