



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER



TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

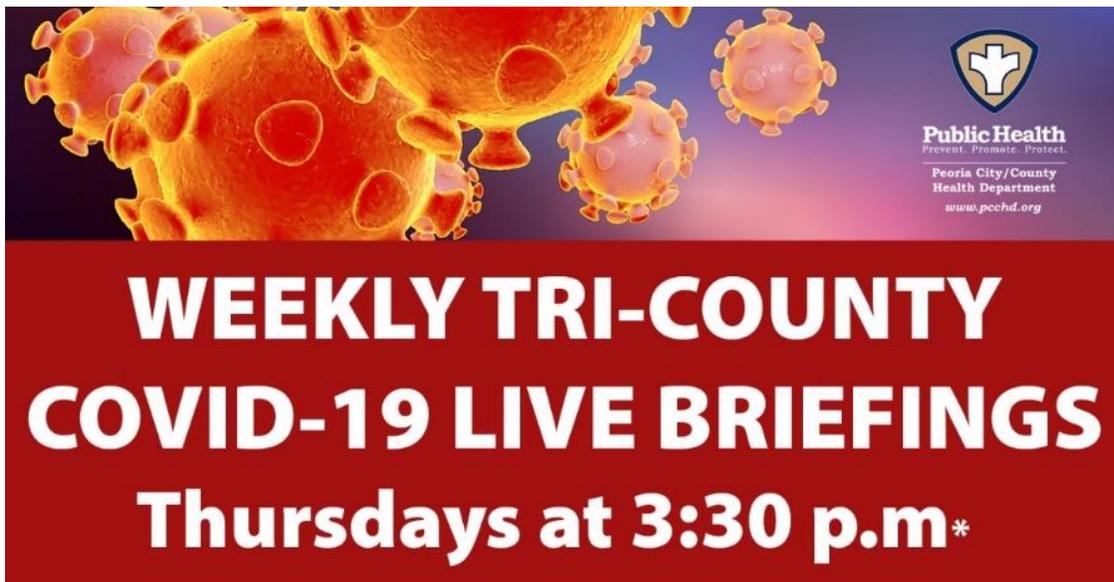
FROM: Patrick Urich, City Manager 

DATE: March 25, 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

A banner for a COVID-19 press briefing. The top half features a blue background with several orange and yellow virus particles. On the right side, there is a logo for "Public Health" with a white cross on a blue shield, and the text "Prevent. Promote. Protect." below it. Underneath that, it says "Peoria City/County Health Department" and "www.pcchd.org". The bottom half of the banner has a red background with white text that reads "WEEKLY TRI-COUNTY COVID-19 LIVE BRIEFINGS Thursdays at 3:30 p.m.*".

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**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

Peoria City/County Health Department Celebrates 15,000 Person to Receive their First #COVID19 Vaccine Dose at the Heddington Oaks Vaccine Clinic



And that person receiving their first dose was Justin Mishler from Community Development! As a reminder—as of March 22, all government employees are now eligible for the vaccine.

Community Development- Requests for Public Comments on 2021 HUD Annual Action Plan

The City of Peoria Community Development Department is requesting 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 30-day comment period runs 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/> under “Publications”.

The Annual Action Plan is subject to amendment or approval by the City Council.

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 Input Needed for the Community Revitalization Plan

After two years of knocking on doors, holding public meetings, and surveying residents, the Community Revitalization Plan (CRP) for the Near Northside, Near Southside, and East Bluff neighborhoods is nearly complete. Intended as a blueprint that provides an overview of what residents want to see, the CRP will serve as a guide for elected officials and City staff when considering opportunities for growth or investment in the Near Northside, Near Southside, and East Bluff neighborhoods.

Starting in 2019, Community Development staff walked door-to-door working with community partners and social agencies to gather feedback in the Near Northside, Near Southside, and East Bluff neighborhoods. In late 2019 and early 2020, the city of Peoria hosted multiple public meetings to present preliminary results from survey and interview responses. The goal for this outreach effort was to listen to concerns and understand what residents want to increase housing quality and affordability, job opportunities, and sense of community. Now that the draft document has been created, the city of Peoria Community Development Department needs your help to ensure that all themes and goals have been captured to guide future projects and investments in these neighborhoods.

Residents and other stakeholders are invited to comment on the draft CRP at a series of three virtual meetings co-hosted by the Community Development Department and Emily Mueller from the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA). The public is invited to attend any of the below virtual meetings accessible through this Zoom link: [Virtual CRP Zoom Meeting](#). Please note that space is limited. The meetings will also be live streamed to the City's YouTube [channel](#).

East Bluff, Monday, April 5th, 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Near Northside, Wednesday, April 7th, 6:00 to 7:00 PM
Near Southside, Thursday, April 8th, 6:00 to 7:00 PM

Discussion will focus on the goals and recommendations found on pages 165-169 of the plan. These pages represent the outcomes of the survey, interviews, and data collected for the plan. The entire draft plan can be accessed via this link: [Community Revitalization Plan](#).

Input received at these meetings will be sent to the Planning and Zoning Commission before it is sent to City Council. Please direct any questions to Kerilyn Weick, Senior Urban Planner, at 309-494-8600 or kweick@peoriagov.org.

Economic Development—Peoria Business Recovery Grant Spotlight: Reign Construction Inc.
Owner Bridget Booker

Reign Construction, LLC, 801 W Main St, Peoria



Reign Construction Inc. was founded by Bridget Booker in 2016. Reign provides quality services to Peoria and the surrounding areas. Reign Construction is the employer of union Ironworkers Operators and Painters. Reign prides itself in hiring minorities and women. Bridget Booker became the only African American woman from the trades in Peoria Illinois to being a founder and owning a union construction company.

Ms. Booker is the mother of four children. In 2010, she started in the Highway Careers Construction Training Program. Bridget joined the Ironworkers 112 of Peoria, IL in 2012, becoming the first (and only) African American Journeywoman within the local. Near the end of Bridget's third year apprenticeship, she lost her son, Deon. At the Ironworker's caucus in 2016, Bridget stood up and shared her story of miscarrying on a jobsite. The telling of her story was instrumental in the International Ironworkers creating the first ever Maternity Leave in Construction in 2017. Bridget has become an



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advocate for women in construction and continues to champion issues related to women this field.

Reign Construction has performed projects for the Minority Business Development Center, AMEREN, OSF Headquarters and the Peoria Airport.

You can learn more about Reign Construction and Bridget Booker at:

<http://www.reignconstructioninc.com/>

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/bridget-booker-617705136/>

Peoria Police Department—Retirement Announcement

After 27 years of service, Lieutenant Dave Armstrong has officially retired. He has held many titles including Recruit Officer, Officer, Detective, Sergeant, and Lieutenant.

During his career, Lt Armstrong worked in many capacities including Patrol Operations, Criminal Investigations as both a Juvenile Detective as well as a Violent Crimes Sergeant before being promoted to Lieutenant.

Congratulations Lt Armstrong and enjoy your next chapter!



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

Six Peoria Public Schools seniors and their families received a surprise this week when Bradley University president Stephen Standifird and I visited each PPS high school as part of its Bradley University Hometown Scholars Reveal to present two seniors from each school a full-tuition, four-year scholarship.

The students' parents and family members were invited to their high schools under the guise of an award presentation. The students were called out of class, unaware that their parents and family members were present or that they would be receiving the scholarship.

The scholarship winners are:

- Manual High School - **Diego McNeeley Ortega** and **Estela Quinterro**. Ortega plans to study Arts and Communication and Quinterro plans to study Education.
- Peoria High School – **David Bond** and **Tyson Heerman**. Bond plans to study Business and Heerman plans to study Health Sciences.
- Richwoods High School - **Brianna Hill** and **Daniela Gomez-Flores**. Both students are International Baccalaureate (IB) students. Hill plans to study engineering and Gomez-Flores plans to study journalism.

Bradley University associate director of admission Lindsay Lindberg said the students were chosen based on outstanding academic achievements and financial need. The Hometown Scholars program was announced last summer and is designed to strengthen the partnership between Bradley and PPS by helping local students achieve their academic goals.

Many Bradley alumni who are PPS principals, assistant principals, high school counselors and other staff members were wearing Bradley spirit gear for the occasion.

With Gratitude,



Community Development Weekly Report

- Please see attached

Planning and Zoning Agenda

- Please see attached

Date: 3/24/2021

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.

	This Week	YTD
One Stop Shop Customers	1	12
Development Center Permits Issued	37	309
Total Value of Development (YTD)	\$408,165	\$ 11,699,240

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.

Job/Project #	Address	Type	Description	Council District	Planner Assigned
COM-002376-2021	5001 N University 14-20-179-039	Commercial Alteration	Int Alt – Joseph Health Group	4	LA
COM-002355-2021	901 W Lake Ave 14-20-476-029	Commercial Alteration	Int/Ext Alt – Self-Service Storage	3	KW
COM-002363-2021	1610 W Altorfer Dr 14-05-352-027	Commercial Addition	Addition – Storage shed	5	LA
COM-002389-2021	8200 N Allen Rd 14-06-402-023	Commercial Alteration	Int Alt – L & T Technology	5	LA
SUBD-00269-2021	Taft Homes	Planning and Zoning	Subdivision – Survey Plat	1	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.

Address	Type	Business Name	Council District
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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.

Address	Business Name	Description	Council District
Mobile Unit	The Sweet Trolley	Approved plans	-

- 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			
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
Rich Storm (RS) Plumbing Inspector	494-8632		



**PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2021
CITY HALL ROOM 400 – 1:00 P.M.**

MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MARCH 4, 2021 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 255-2021 Hold a Public Hearing and forward a recommendation to City Council on the request of Michael R Seghetti of Elias, Meginnes and Seghetti, P.C. on behalf of Second Chance Investments, LLC and 110 Illinois St, LLC to rezone property from a Class R-6 (Multi-Family Residential) District to a Class C-G (General Commercial) District for the properties located at 1515 N Dechman Ave and 106, 108, 110 E Illinois Ave (Parcel Identification Nos. 18-04-251-005, 18-04-251-002, 18-04-251-003, and 18-04-251-004), Peoria IL. (Council District 3)

CASE NO. PZ 261-2021 Hold a Public Hearing and forward a recommendation to City Council on the request of City of Peoria to amend Appendix A, the Unified Development Code relating to Menu Boards.

CASE NO. PZ 242-2021 Hold a Public Hearing and forward a recommendation to the City Council on the request of the City of Peoria to amend the Official Comprehensive Plan by incorporating the City of Peoria Housing Needs Assessment and Community Revitalization Plan, prepared in partnership with the Illinois Housing Development Authority.
Deferred from the March 4, 2021 meeting

5. CITIZENS' OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION

6. ADJOURNMENT

Governor JB Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-69, as amended and extended, limits meetings to the lesser of 25 persons or 25% of the overall room capacity. Governor JB Pritzker's Executive Order 2020-07, as amended and extended, requires that public bodies take steps to provide video, audio, and/or telephonic access to meetings. The CDC recommends social distancing of at least six feet between persons. City Hall is currently open to the public Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. To comply with these recommendations and requirements, the City is implementing the following changes and restrictions for the Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting on April 1, 2021 while complying with the spirit of the Open Meetings Act:

Anyone wishing to make a public comment can do so by sending those comments in writing to, Leah Allison, at lallison@peoriagov.org or via fax at 309-494-8674 no later than 5 pm on March 31, 2021. The email or fax should be labeled "Public Comment for April 1, 2021 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting," and we ask that you include your name and address. All submissions received prior to the deadline by the public will be read into the record with up to five (5) minutes of each comment read aloud. The written comments, in their entirety, will be entered into the official minutes of the meeting as an attachment.

Media will be allowed to physically attend the meeting; however, due to capacity restrictions only one person from a media outlet will be allowed inside City Council Chambers.

Temperature screenings are required for access inside City Hall. Face coverings are required to be worn at all times inside City Hall.

The agenda, minutes and video podcast will be available online at <http://www.peoriagov.org/boards-commissions/>