



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER



TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Patrick Urich, City Manager *Patrick Urich*

DATE: March 24, 2022

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.

Community Development-2022 Community Cleanups Kick-Off in the West Bluff



The city of Peoria Community Development Department kicked off the cleanup season in the West Bluff with two pop-up clean up events last Wednesday, March 16th at 734 W Main Street and 1302 N Sheridan Road.

In total, staff and community volunteers picked up 23 bags of litter and debris!

The Community Development Department will be hosting cleanups at different locations in all five districts throughout the spring and summer as weather permits. For more information on future community cleanup events, please contact Neighborhood Enhancement Coordinator Kaylee Drea at 309-494-8624 or kdrea@peoriagov.org.



Community Development- Community Development Talks to Job Seekers at Northwoods Mall Job Fair

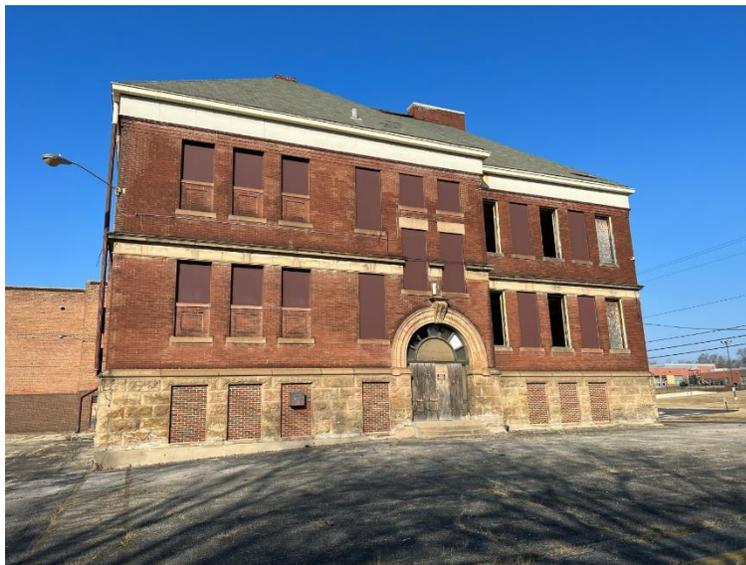
On Saturday, March 19th, the Community Development Department attended the Northwoods Mall Job Fair to recruit local job seekers for several open positions in the department.

City staff from the Code Enforcement Division volunteered at a table from 11 AM – 4 PM speaking to multiple interested candidates about what it's like to work at the City of Peoria.

For more information on the Community Development Department's hiring efforts, please contact Director Joe Dulin at 309-494-8631 or jdulin@peoriagov.org

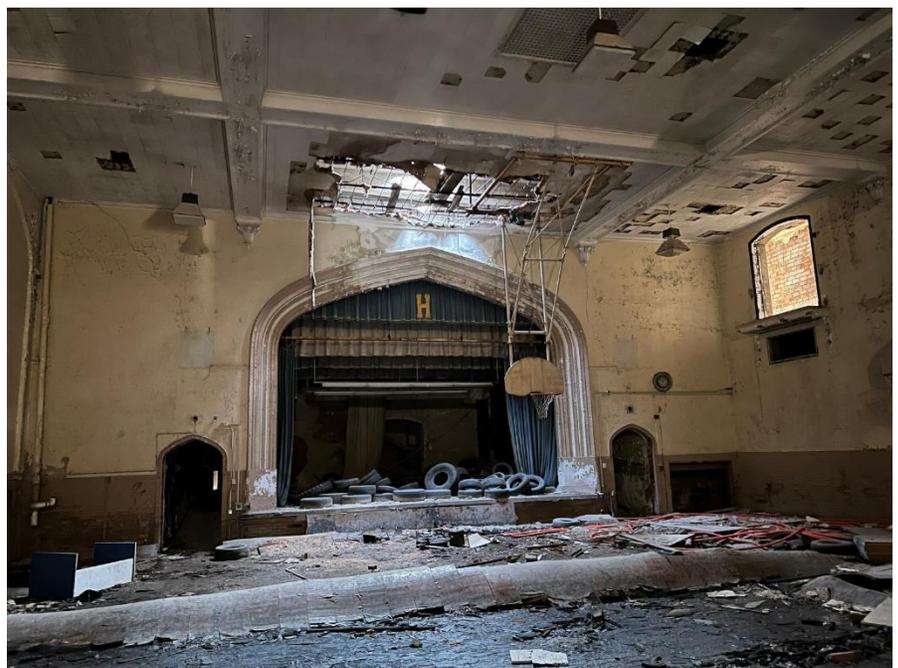
Community Development-First Steps Towards Demolition: Environmental Testing at Harrison and McKinley Schools

The Community Development Department is currently conducting environmental testing at Old Harrison School. This testing will inform the next steps towards demolishing the structure as it allows the city to test for lead-based paint, asbestos materials, and itemize any hazardous materials found within the building. Environmental testing is a necessary step in demolishing any building to minimize the environmental impact of the demolition to the surrounding area and prevent any life-safety issues



Funding for environmental testing is provided through a grant awarded by the US EPA (Environmental Protection Agency). This grant also provided funding for environmental testing at the Tabor building and McKinley school to ready these sites for redevelopment and demolition, respectively.

For more information, please contact Budget and Grants Manager Kathryn Murphy at kmurphy@peoriagov.org.



Peoria Police Department- St. Patrick's Day Parade

Peoria Police Chief, Eric Echevarria and Assistant Police Chief, Brad Dixon walked in the St. Patrick's Day Parade with the Richard H. Parsons Division.



Peoria Police Department Visit Art, Inc.



Peoria Police Officer Dasa Pham, and Sgt. Sherrell Stinson visited Artists Reenvisioning Tomorrow on March 19 for the Barbie Conference and Career Fair 2022. They talked to attendees about their lives as working for the police department.



Peoria Public Schools – Update from Dr. Kherat

Languages and food differ from country to country, but pop culture is the same.

Whittier Primary School's immersive dual-language second grade spent time this month exploring the Philippines, the home country of teacher Kimberly Dantes, ending the week with a Filipino Culture festival.

The fact that the country consists of 7,107 islands perched on the earthquake-and-volcano-producing Pacific Ring of Fire was interesting. The fact that Filipino people speak 180 languages, and the country has two official languages – Filipino and English – was good to know.

But when a video of a young Filipino girl relayed that she and her peers share their love for Olivia Rodrigo, Ariana Grande and the movie Encanto, the students' delighted reaction was instantaneous and audible.



Dantes, wearing a traditional Filipiniana gown, reviewed what the students had learned about the Philippines, passing out candy to students who remembered correctly. Among the facts students remembered:

- The most popular sport is basketball, and Filipinos follow the NBA and Philippine Basketball League (PBA).
- Filipino families eat rice three times a day.
- The Philippines is the only place in the world where you will see a jeepney, originally a vehicle made from Jeeps left by the U.S. military after WWII, and now the country's most common form of public transportation, extended to carry up to 20 passengers and colorfully painted by local artists.

The students then sang a Filipino children's song, *Tong tong tong tong Pakitng kitong*, and performed a traditional folk dance, called a Cariñosa. You can watch the students' performance here: <https://youtu.be/zJD0VoUjGkg>

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The Whittier Primary School immersive dual-language program adds a grade level each school year. A third-grade class will be added for the 2022-2023 school year.

With Gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat".

Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat, Superintendent

Community Development Weekly Report

- Please see attached

Planning and Zoning Commission Agenda

- Please see attached

WEEKLY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

CITY OF PEORIA – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Date: 3/23/2021

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	9
Development Center Permits Issued	19	296
Total Value of Development (YTD)	\$ 1,103,328	\$ 12,690,164

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-004512-2022	3311 N Sterling Ave Unit 6	Commercial Alteration	Int Alt – Levels Apparel	4	JN
RES-004492-2022	2413 W Cabana St	Solar Voltaic	Roof Mounted Solar – Palmetto Solar	5	LA
PZ-000794-2022	2919 W Garden St	Rezoning	Rezone from R4 to CN	1	LA

Additional Activity

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

Job/Project #	Address	Type	Description	Council District	Planner Assigned
RES-004494-2022	600 E Illinois Ave	NSFD	New Single-Family Dwelling	3	KW

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SIGN-004488-2022	1812 W War Memorial Dr	SIGN	Wall & Freestanding Sign – Comfort Suites	2	BE
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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
1722 W Chanute Rd	Commercial	Hounds Town USA	5
1217 W Glen Ave	Commercial	Club Carwash	3
824 W Moss Ave Unit 4	Multi-Family Dwelling	Unit 4	2

4. Land Bank Activity

- The **City Land Bank** acquires properties to hold for future development, it transfers properties to new owners when possible, and it demolishes unsafe and abandoned structures to reduce blight in the community.

Properties Acquired			
Parcel Number	Address	Council District	Retrieved Through
18-04-156-008	428 W Columbia Terr	2	Quick Claim Deed

Properties Transferred to New Owner			
Parcel Number	Address	Council District	Retrieved Through
18-04-182-013	1302 N Bigelow St	2	Quick Claim Deed
18-03-206-027	1821 NE Madison Ave	1	Side Lot Program
18-05-426-017	1229 N Orange St	2	Side Lot Program

Properties Demolished			
Parcel Number	Address	Council District	Ownership Type & Reason
18-04-204-020	1823 N California	3	City - Planned

5. 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
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Community Development Department Contact Information			
Staff who are typically assigned to manage development applications.			
Leah Allison (LA) Senior Urban Planner	494-8667	Kerilyn Weick (KW) Senior Urban Planner	494-8606
Josh Naven (JN) Senior Urban Planner	494-8657	Rich Storm (RS) Building Safety Manager	494-8632

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Craig Reid (CR) Building Inspector	494-8925		Matt Ziller (MZ) Building Inspector	494-8628
Blake Eggleston (BE) Urban Planner	494-8612		Julia Hertaus (JH) Urban Planner	494-8649
Issac Garcia (IG) Building Inspector	494-8921			



PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022
CITY HALL, ROOM 400 – 1:00 P.M

MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MARCH 3, 2022 AND MARCH 4, 2022 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. Hold a Public Hearing and forward a recommendation to City Council on the request of Maxwell and Cara Ann Johnson, to obtain a Special Use in a Class RE (Estate Residential) District for a Short Term Rental, for the property located at 7725 N Orchard Road (Parcel Identification No. 14-10-102-010), Peoria IL (Council District 3)
PZ 746-2022

CASE NO. Hold a Public Hearing and forward a recommendation to City Council on the request of Seth and Ty Silzer to obtain a Special Use in a Class R-3 (Single-Family Residential) District for a Short Term Rental, for the property located at 5620 N Western Ave (Parcel Identification No. 14-17-353-009), Peoria, IL (Council District 4)
PZ 776-2022

CASE NO. Hold a Public Hearing and forward a recommendation to City Council on the request of Rev. Craig Williams of South Side Mission of Peoria to rezone property from a Class R-4 (Single Family Residential) District to a Class C-N (Neighborhood Commercial) District for the property located at 2919 W Garden Street (Parcel Identification No. 18-18-156-001), Peoria, IL (Council District 1)
PZ 794-2022

CASE NO. Hold a Public Hearing and forward a recommendation to City Council on the request of Dimitar Atanasov and Keila Sierra to obtain a Special Use in a Class R-4 (Single-Family Residential) District for a Short Term Rental, for the property located at 1005 W Moss Avenue (Parcel Identification No. 18-05-469-026), Peoria IL (Council District 2)
PZ 565-2022
Deferred from the February meeting
THIS CASE HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN.

CASE NO. 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 for the East Bluff Neighborhood Area, prepared in partnership with the Illinois Housing Development Authority
PZ 713-2022
Deferred from the March meeting

5. CITIZENS' OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION

6. ADJOURNMENT