



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER



**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Patrick Urich, City Manager 

**DATE:** June 2, 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.

**Update on Energy Supply Changes and Cost Increases- Local Aggregate Supply Customers Will Return to Ameren Supply for Next 12 Months**

Peoria County – Community members who were previously under contract with Homefield Energy for their energy supply will be switched to Ameren supply through May 31, 2023. Residential and business customers should plan for noticeable increases to their energy bill.

“Ameren’s supply rate is approximately \$0.12 per kilowatt hour,” states Patrick Urich, Peoria City Manager. “Homefield Energy customers had previously been paying approximately \$0.05 per kilowatt hour. Community members should expect pricing increases not just during the summer months, but for the next year.”

In April, customers were informed they would be on Ameren supply for at least June and July. Participating local governments in the aggregate learned yesterday that they will not be able secure a contract for the remainder of the fiscal year by the June 3 deadline, so customers will revert to Ameren supply for the next 12 months.

Customer bills vary depending on usage and if they have selected budget billing, among other things. A quick way to calculate the increased monthly bill is to multiply by two. For example, if a customer’s average household monthly energy bill is \$125, they can estimate the new monthly bill to be \$250.

Customers are encouraged to examine their Ameren statements and educate themselves on their consumption of energy, alerts on pricing, budget billing changes, and information on assistance.

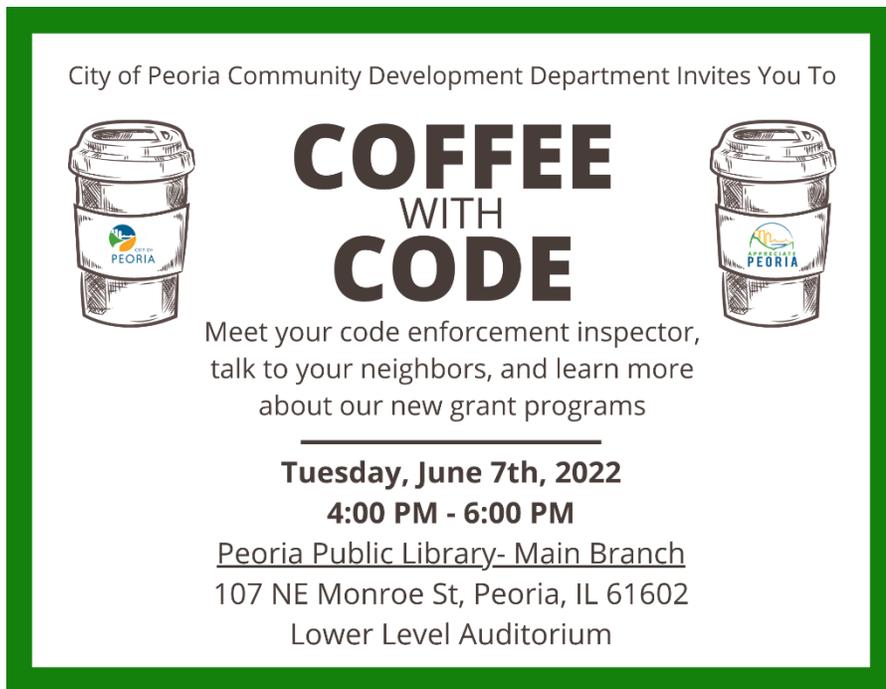
Residents should be aware they may be solicited by other energy suppliers.

“We urge all aggregate customers to be wary of any third-party offers,” said Scott Sorrel, Peoria County Administrator. “Should the aggregate enter a supply contract in 2023, all current customers will automatically go onto the aggregate pricing. Residents are not required to do anything at this time or in the future.”

There are local programs available for those struggling to pay their energy bill. Find organizations by zip code at [www.ameren.com/account/agency-finder](http://www.ameren.com/account/agency-finder) This tool lists township offices and local not-for-profits that offer assistance programs in your particular area. You can also call 2-1-1 or (309) 999-4029 for assistance.

Ameren’s website also outlines energy-saving tips and additional billing options at [www.amerenillinois.com/energyassistance](http://www.amerenillinois.com/energyassistance).

**Community Development-Community Development Department Invites Neighbors to Coffee with Code**

A flyer for a 'Coffee with Code' event. It features two coffee cups on either side of the main text. The text reads: 'City of Peoria Community Development Department Invites You To COFFEE WITH CODE Meet your code enforcement inspector, talk to your neighbors, and learn more about our new grant programs Tuesday, June 7th, 2022 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Peoria Public Library- Main Branch 107 NE Monroe St, Peoria, IL 61602 Lower Level Auditorium'. The flyer is enclosed in a green border.

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On Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM, the Community Development Department is inviting neighbors to Coffee with Code. The event will be held at the Peoria Public Library- Main Branch at 107 NE Monroe St in the lower-level auditorium. Coffee with Code gives residents and community members the opportunity to meet their code enforcement inspector, talk to their neighbors, and learn more about our new

grant programs.

For more information, please contact Neighborhood Enhancement Coordinator Kaylee Drea at 309.494.8624 or [kdrea@peoriagov.org](mailto:kdrea@peoriagov.org).

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



This month Peoria Public Schools celebrated the anniversaries of two of the city's oldest schools: Franklin Primary School and Whittier Primary School.

Franklin Primary School celebrated its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, but the origins of the school date to Peoria's Fifth District School, located at the corner of Moss

Ave. and Garfield.

In the 1800s, nine schools were built in Peoria, each designated by a numbered district. The locations of most of those are unknown.

The Fifth District School was built in 1856 and Ephriam Hinman is its first acting principal. Seven years after the Civil War ended, a group of African-American parents asked if their children could attend The Fifth District School. Though most of the school board members were opposed, Lucie Tyng was a strong advocate for the parents. It is thought that Franklin School was never segregated.

The Fifth District School was renamed Franklin School in 1886 and In 1919 construction began on the first Franklin School on Columbia Ave.

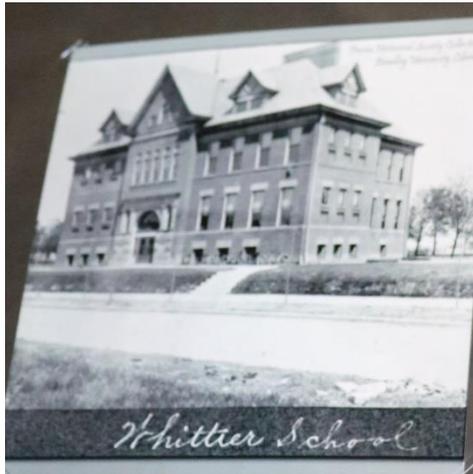
On Wednesday, June 1, 2022, members of the Franklin School community gathered for the fourth graders' award ceremony. Then the student body and staff gathered on the back playground for a group photo and embarked on a peace march through the neighborhood.

Franklin students prepare for a Neighborhood Peace Walk around their neighborhood.

Just ten years after Franklin School's renaming, about a mile west, on the other side of newly-opened Bradley Polytechnic Institute, the school board accepted plans for an eight-room school designed by local architects Reeves and Baillie. The building would cost \$20,000 and serve 250 first through fourth grade students living in Peoria and West Peoria. Whittier School opened on

January 4, 1897. Each year the school added a grade until it served students in first through eighth grades.

In 1916, an addition was built to accommodate eight more classrooms, an office and a lunchroom/auditorium. This addition still stands today. The enrollment had grown to 625 students.



In the 1930s, Whittier's eighth grade students began attending Roosevelt Jr. High School. Calvin Coolidge School opened in 1937, serving West Peoria students in grades first through eighth. Whittier enrollment dropped to 350 and remained at that level until the mid-40s. It began to grow again as WWII ended and the baby boom began.

In the 1950s, the original Whittier building was considered substandard due to "old, non-fire-resistant construction, small classrooms and structural deterioration." The original school was demolished in 1958.

In 2008, the school board recommended that Whittier be closed. Families from the surrounding community and principal, Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat, advocated to keep the school open. The school board reconsidered and instead demolished the 1950s addition and remodeling the 1916 addition.

The following year, Whittier was awarded the Blue Ribbon School award from the U.S. Dept. of Education. Blue Ribbon Schools are selected based on their overall academic excellence or their progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups. The coveted National Blue Ribbon School designation reflects the work of students, educators, families and communities in creating safe and welcoming schools where students master challenging and engaging content.

In 2021, Whittier modernized again with the removal of old boilers from the 1916 portion of the building and the construction of a new playground.

Both Franklin Primary School and Whittier Primary School have long served as anchors in their neighborhoods of changing economic and ethnic demographics. Growing alongside the university in their midst has brought enormous benefits to the faculty, students and families in these west bluff neighborhoods.

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Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat  
Superintendent

With Gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat  
Superintendent

**Code Violation Docket**

- Please see attached

<u>Inspector</u>	<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Property Owner(s)</u>	<u>Property Address</u>
AA	22-CV-16176	MICHAEL GILLES	1225 W BRONS AVE
AA	22-CV-16187	OLIVIA DYE	2305 NE MADISON AVE
AA	22-CV-16210	KH LLC	3006 NE MADISON AVE PEORIA
AA	22-CV-16218	STEPHEN SOUBA	725 VINE ST
AA	22-CV-16229	TODD NEWELL	1823 W KETTELLE ST
AA	22-CV-16242	A. Z. HENDON	1101 W SMITH ST
AA	22-CV-16246	DAVID RILEY	1541 W BUTLER ST
AA	22-CV-16247	JAVIER A. HIRALDO	1539 W. BUTLER ST
AW	22-CV-16193	TIFFANY VAUGHN	2310 N CENTRAL AVE
AW	22-CV-16202	KEVIN JONES	119 E MCCLURE AVE CB
AW	22-CV-16204	AARON WEBER	224 E MCCLURE AVE
AW	22-CV-16209	AWF LLC	413 E MAYWOOD AVE
AW	22-CV-16227	LAMARCUS BROWN	1107 E WILLCOX AVE
BE	22-CV-16159	JOSEPH ROSS	2902 N ROCKWOOD DR
BE	22-CV-16207	SRF3-040 LLC	2647 W NEBRASKA AVE
DF	22-CV-16181	WILLIAM HEAVER	1500 NE JEFFERSON AVE
DF	22-CV-16183	DAWNA CODY	313 CORNHILL ST
DF	22-CV-16184	BERNICE BURNEY	1601 NE JEFFERSON AVE
DF	22-CV-16248	BIG HOLY LAND TRUST	1301 NE ADAMS ST
DF	22-CV-16256	ROSHMORE	1503 NE MADISON AVE
DF	22-CV-16257	BIG HOLY LAND TRUST	1301 NE ADAMS ST
DF	22-CV-16259	NEW CHICAGO LLC	3008 NE MADISON AVE
DF	22-CV-16260	KH LLC	3006 NE MADISON AVE
DF	22-CV-16266	BARATELLI PROPERTIES LLC	1100 NE GLENDALE AVE
DH	22-CV-16182	ROCKHOPPER INVESTMENTS LLC	900 W MOSS AVE
DH	22-CV-16185	XIAOMEI CASTRO	1003 W COLUMBIA TER
DH	22-CV-16224	MARWIN SPILLER	1115 N ORANGE ST
DS	22-CV-16189	CHRISTOPHER GULLY	521 E ARCADIA AVE
DS	22-CV-16190	MARWIN SPILLER	725 E MCCLURE AVE
DS	22-CV-16197	ADEL MINA	717 E BEL AIRE CT
DS	22-CV-16215	JAMES FOSTER	711 E RAVINE AVE
DS	22-CV-16216	JAVIER CONTRERAS	406 E THRUSH AVE
DS	22-CV-16240	VERNOR WARR III	1511 NE GLENDALE AVE
JS	22-CV-16076	GLENN BOWIE REVOCABLE TRUST	125 SW JEFFERSON ST W-15C
JS	22-CV-16077	MAIN STREET ASSOCIATES	125 SW JEFFERSON ST
JS	22-CV-16142	DENIZENS OF PEORIA LLC	1000 W MCCLURE AVE
JS	22-CV-16165	RSB PETRO INC	3128 N PROSPECT RD
JS	22-CV-16220	EULOGIA FIGUEROA-VALDOVINOS	1716 S FARADAY AVE
JS	22-CV-16233	EDDIE JACKSON	1511 N BESTOR ST
JS	22-CV-16234	EDDIE JACKSON	1205 W THIRD AVE
JS	22-CV-16235	EDDIE JACKSON	221 N WEBSTER ST
JS	22-CV-16236	EDDIE JACKSON	1805 W SMITH ST
JS	22-CV-16237	CARLOS RODRIGUEZ	1612 W SMITH ST
KW	22-CV-16037	ALISHA HUFF & ALBERT HUFF	1204 W FLORENCE AVE
NR	22-CV-16071	TYUS JACKSON & TYAN JACKSON	1811 SW JEFFERSON AVE
NR	22-CV-16072	TYUS JACKSON & TYAN JACKSON	1811 SW JEFFERSON AVE

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NR	22-CV-16166	JOSEPH MOREDOCK	2801 SW ADAMS ST
NR	22-CV-16167	JOSEPH STONE	1609 W ANTOINETTE ST
NR	22-CV-16264	DEENA D DORSEY	4005 N SHERIDAN RD
NR	22-CV-16265	SUZANNE A MEYER	106 E OAK PARK DR
RF	22-CV-16161	LAWRENCE JACKSON	2431 W MALONE
RF	22-CV-16162	DENISE BLAIR	2504 W MALONE
RF	22-CV-16164	ROMAN CANDELENA	2503 W MALONE
RF	22-CV-16168	KENTEN WATKINS	2507 W STARR
RF	22-CV-16177	ANGELA CHILDS	2131 W MALONE
RF	22-CV-16179	DAVID RILEY	2206 W MALONE
RF	22-CV-16196	ELOISE RAYFORD	2813 W TREWYN
RF	22-CV-16198	LYNHURST 2 LLC	1835 S ARAGO
RF	22-CV-16200	JOAQUIN ROMERO	1714 S LIVINGSTON
RF	22-CV-16201	JOAQUIN ROMERO	1714 S LIVINGSTON
RF	22-CV-16206	JESSIE SMITH	1509 S LIVINGSTON
RF	22-CV-16217	TERRANCE JONES & KAMARA DAVIS	2801 W HAYES
RF	22-CV-16239	SHANELL PARKER	1411 W SMITH
SD	22-CV-16171	ANN B MAST & JOSEPH E MAST	2717 N MILLBROOK DR
SD	22-CV-16205	DAVID RILEY	5833 NORTH MACKINAC DRIVE
SD	22-CV-16231	MARCUS DENSON	729 E LASALLE ST
SD	22-CV-16232	MARCUS DENSON	719 E LASALLE ST
SD	22-CV-16243	JOHN UNZICKER	1713 NORTH MISSOURI AVENUE
SD	22-CV-16244	TIMOTHY BOLLIS	1706 NORTH MISSOURI AVENUE
SD	22-CV-16250	CHRISTOPHER B BRADLEY	602 W SHOSHONE RD
SD	22-CV-16251	CHRISTOPHER B BRADLEY	602 W SHOSHONE RD