



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER



TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Patrick Urich, City Manager *Patrick Urich*

DATE: July 3, 2024

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.

City of Peoria Accepting Applications and Resumes for Treasurer

Applications are still being accepted for the Peoria City Treasurer vacancy, left open by the pending resignation of Stephen Morris due to “personal and professional commitments”. The resident filling the interim position will remain in office for the remainder of the term. The general election for City Treasurer will be April 1, 2025.

The City Treasurer is responsible for the administration and management of the collection, verification, recording, and depositing, of all taxes, fines, and fees due to the city. The vacancy of the office will be filled by appointment by the Mayor, with

the advice and consent of the City Council. The annual salary for this position is \$123,529.18 with an additional compensation of \$8,000 from the Peoria Township office.

To be considered for office, the applicant must have been a resident of the city of Peoria for at least one year and is statutorily eligible for office. A person is not eligible to take the oath of office

The graphic is a vertical rectangular poster with an orange background. At the top center is a white megaphone icon. Below it, in a white rectangular box, is the text "ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS" in large green letters, followed by "Interim City Treasurer" in blue. Below that is a green box with "DEADLINE: JULY 21" in white. Underneath is the website "peoriagov.org" in blue. At the bottom center is the City of Peoria logo.

for a municipal office if that person is, at the time required for taking the oath of office, in arrears in the payment of a tax or other indebtedness due to the municipality or has been convicted in any court located in the United States of any infamous crime, bribery, perjury, or other felony, unless such person is again restored to his or her rights of citizenship that may have been forfeited under Illinois law as a result of a conviction, which includes eligibility to hold elected municipal office, by the terms of a pardon for the offense, has received a restoration of rights by the Governor, or otherwise according to law. Any time after a judgment of conviction is rendered, a person convicted of an infamous crime, bribery, perjury, or other felony may petition the Governor for a restoration of rights (65 ILCS 5/3.1-10-5).

Regarding the process, Mayor Ali said, "I'm interested in appointing a qualified individual until someone is elected next year. This would be an individual who is not interested in running for the office. I would prefer to not provide any unfair advantage." She continued, "I want it to be a very open and transparent process."

Applicants may complete the interest form and submit their resume on the city of Peoria website on the Mayor's page. The deadline for submission is Sunday, July 21, 2024.

Streets, Parking Lots, and Bridges to be Impacted on July 4 due to Red, White & BOOM!

Beginning at noon on Thursday, July 4, Downtown Peoria streets will be restricted due to the Red, White, & BOOM! fireworks display sponsored by Choose Greater Peoria and i3 Broadband.

Drivers should exercise caution and patience throughout the day and evening. The use of alternative routes is advised, and delays should be expected.

9 am Parking Lot Closures

The Liberty Street Riverfront parking lot and the parking lot adjacent to Martini's on Water will be closed at 9 a.m.

- The Caterpillar parking lot at Washington Street and Hamilton Boulevard will be only available for VIP event permit holders and persons with disabilities.

Noon Road Closures

The following roads will be closed and parking restrictions will go into effect.

- Water Street will be closed from State Street to Eaton Street.



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- Walnut Street will be closed between Washington Street and Water Street.
- Harrison Street will be closed between Washington Street and Water Street.
- Liberty Street will be closed between Washington Street and Water Street.
- Main Street will be closed between Washington Street and Water Street.
- Hamilton Boulevard will be closed between Washington Street and Water Street.

During this time, the only traffic allowed in these areas will be vendors, exhibitors, 401 Water Street property owners, and Ameren employees. Vendors will be required to present their permit to enter the Riverfront. Vendor entry and exit into the Riverfront will not be allowed after 4 p.m.

8 p.m. Road Closures

The following roads will be closed and parking restrictions will go into effect.

- Liberty Street will be closed between Adams Street and Washington Street.
- Fulton Street will be closed between Adams Street and Washington Street.
- Main Street will be closed between Adams Street and Washington Street.

8:30 p.m. Bob Michel Bridge Closure

The Bob Michel Bridge will be closed to BOTH pedestrian and vehicular traffic starting at 8:30 p.m..

8:30 p.m. Interstate 74 Exit Closures

Interstate 74 exits 93, 94, and 95 will be closed starting at 8:30 p.m.



Fireworks Notice from Peoria Fire Chief Sollberger

The following firework devices are novelty items and are approved for use and sale within the City of Peoria:

Party poppers: Small plastic or paper item containing not more than 0.25 grains (16mg) of explosive composition that is friction sensitive. A string protruding from the device is usually pulled to ignite it. This item expels non-flammable paper streamers or non-flammable novelties, or both and produces a small report.

Snapper: Small, paper-wrapped item containing not more than 0.02 grains (1mg) of explosive composition coated on small bits of sand and packaged with sawdust in individual containers of not more than 50 units. When dropped, the device explodes, producing a small report.

Toy Caps: Toy plastic or paper caps for toy pistols in sheets, strips, or rolls containing not more than an average of .25 grains (16mg) of explosive composition per cap.

Snakes or Glow Worms: Pressed pellet or pellets consisting of not more than 0.07 oz (2g) of pyrotechnic composition per pellet that produces as the primary effect a snake-like ash upon burning. The ash expands as the pellet burns.

Smoke generating devices: Small round or cylindrical smoke bombs or devices shaped like tanks, aircraft, cones, or volcanos that emit colored smoke without report.

Sparklers: Handheld piece of flexible metal partially coated with chemicals that burn and sparkle. Typically reach 2000 degrees Fahrenheit and can cause nearly 60% of all reported firework injuries.

The following fireworks devices are considered prohibited, and anyone found in violation will be issued a citation and fine of \$250 according to the City of Peoria Fireworks Ordinance 11-91. The list below details prohibited consumer fireworks but are not limited to:

Handheld fireworks, bottle rockets, firecrackers of any size or type, skyrocket, roman candles, chasers, buzz bombs, helicopters, missiles, planes, sky lanterns, pin wheels, any ground items other than those identified as Approved Consumer Fireworks.



No Recycling, Yard Waste, Trash Pick-Up on July Fourth

GFL will not collect recycling, yard waste, or trash on Thursday, July 4, due to the holiday.

This affects all pick-up routes on Thursday, July 4, and Friday, July 5. Pick-up will be delayed by one day for the Thursday and Friday collections. This schedule should be followed for the remainder of the week:

- If your collection day is Thursday, July 4, pick-up will be delayed to Friday, July 5.
- If your collection day is Friday, July 5, pick-up will be delayed to Saturday, July 6.



Normal collection schedules will continue for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday routes. Regular collection schedules will resume the week of July 8.

To avoid missing a collection, recycling, trash, and yard waste containers must be set out by 6 am on your scheduled day. After pick-up, move your containers from the curb or alley within 24 hours. Containers should be placed in your garage or alongside your house or garage, and not left on the street or sidewalk.

Community Development – City Staff Conducting Consolidated Plan Survey This Summer and Fall

The city of Peoria Community Development Department is using a survey to reach out to residents and community members for their input on the Consolidated Plan. The survey will end on September 20.

The Consolidated Plan informs how the city will use its annual allocation of funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). These funds must be spent to promote safe, affordable housing and community development in low-to-moderate income areas throughout the city.

There are four ways to participate in the survey. The survey is available in English and Spanish.

- **Public Hearing:** Monday, August 5, 11 a.m. at the regular Housing Commission meeting in Room 420 at the Twin Towers, 456 Fulton Street, Peoria, IL 61602
- **Online:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JX66C8F>
- **In-Person:** City Hall, 419 Fulton Street, # 203, Peoria, IL (Monday- Friday, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.)

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- **Community Outreach Events:** Please see the list below

Staff will be available at the following upcoming events to answer questions and distribute the Consolidated Plan survey:

Saturday, July 13, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Peoria Riverfront Market | 200 SW Water Street, Peoria, IL 61602

Thursday, July 18, 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Peoria Park District's Parks on Tap | 901 NE Monroe Street, Peoria, IL 61603

Saturday, July 20, 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

River City PrideFest | 200 SW Water Street, Peoria, IL 61602

Wednesday, July 24, 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

OSF St. Ann's Back to School Event | 1414 W Antoinette Street, Peoria, IL 61605

Staff distributed surveys and spoke with community members at the YANI Collective Juneteenth Fest on Saturday, June 16, and at Freedom Fest on Saturday, June 22 at Trewyn Park.

For more information, or for persons with disabilities who may need additional assistance, please contact Kathryn Murphy, Grants and Budget Manager [by email](#) or by calling 309-494-8607.

Community Development – Community Cleanup at Morton Square Park on Thursday, June 27



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The Community Development Department hosted a Community Cleanup ‘Pop-Up’ event in the neighborhood surrounding Morton Square Park at 901 NE Monroe St on Thursday, June 27. Community Development staff picked up over 20 bags of trash.

For more information on future community cleanup events, please contact Kaylee Drea, Community Development Engagement Manager, [by email](#) or by calling 309-494-8624.

Community Development – Down Payment Assistance and Housing Rehab Programs to End July 31

The city of Peoria’s Down Payment Assistance Program and Housing Rehabilitation Program will close on Wednesday, July 31 at 3 p.m.

The Down Payment Assistance Program provides help to prospective homeowners to purchase a home in a [Qualified Census Tract \(QCT\)](#) within the city of Peoria. Homebuyers purchasing a house that is currently owner-occupied are eligible for a maximum of \$5,000. Homebuyers purchasing a house that is currently a rental property are eligible for a maximum of \$10,000.

Visit the [Down Payment Assistance Program page](#) to find out if your future home is in a QCT and apply or call the Development Center at 309-494-8600 for more information.

The Housing Rehabilitation Program provides a 50/50 matching grant for exterior building and site improvements for single-family homes with up to \$15,000 of assistance to homeowners in a [Qualified Census Tract \(QCT\)](#) within the city of Peoria.

Applicants must be at or below 120% of the area median income (AMI) by household size.

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6
Maximum Income	\$64,200	\$73,320	\$82,440	\$91,560	\$99,000	\$106,320

Visit the [Housing Rehabilitation Program page](#) to find out if your future home is in a QCT and apply or call the Development Center at 309-494-8600 for more information.

Peoria Fire Department – Three Members Perform Well at Midwest Firefighter Combat Challenge

Three Peoria Fire Department members participated in the Midwest Firefighter Combat Challenge in Valparaiso, Indiana, on June 27-29. Fire engineer Michael Gawelek and firefighters Bryce Colvin and Parker Bartos turned in strong performances in three races: individual, tandem, and relay.



Gawelek placed fifth in Division 1 40-49 males and made the “Lions Den” with a time of under two minutes – an event first for a first-time competitor. Colvin placed seventh in Division 2 Under 40 males. Two teams competed in the tandem races. The River Racers, featuring Bartos and Pekin firefighter Cory Price, placed sixth and the Local 50 Goons, featuring Gawelek and Colvin, placed 11th. The Local 50 Goons placed first in the Relay portion, beating the next team by four seconds.

Peoria Fire Department – Tactical Response Team Updates Aid Equipment

The Peoria Fire Department’s Tactical Response Team recently had a few major upgrades to equipment utilized for aiding rescues in confined spaces. With the addition of wire communications, rescuers can communicate when radios are not operational. The team also received new Supplied Air Systems that allow for unlimited

entry, less entanglement risks, and small profiles as compared to air packs that only allowed 30 minutes of air. Lastly, they received a new harness that will allow safer options to remove patients and more options for removal techniques. This harness replaces a 20-year-old piece of equipment and ensures the safety of all patients.



Peoria Fire Department – “Be Anything” Auction Winner Named

Seven-year-old Grayson Mosler won the auction for the World Wide Day of Play “Be Anything” event day. The event was hosted by the Peoria Park District on May 11 at Glen Oak Park. The prize allowed Grayson to job shadow Peoria firefighters to learn all about fire service and experience a day-in-the-life of what it takes to become a firefighter in the city of Peoria.



Public Works – Jefferson/Adams Conversion Update

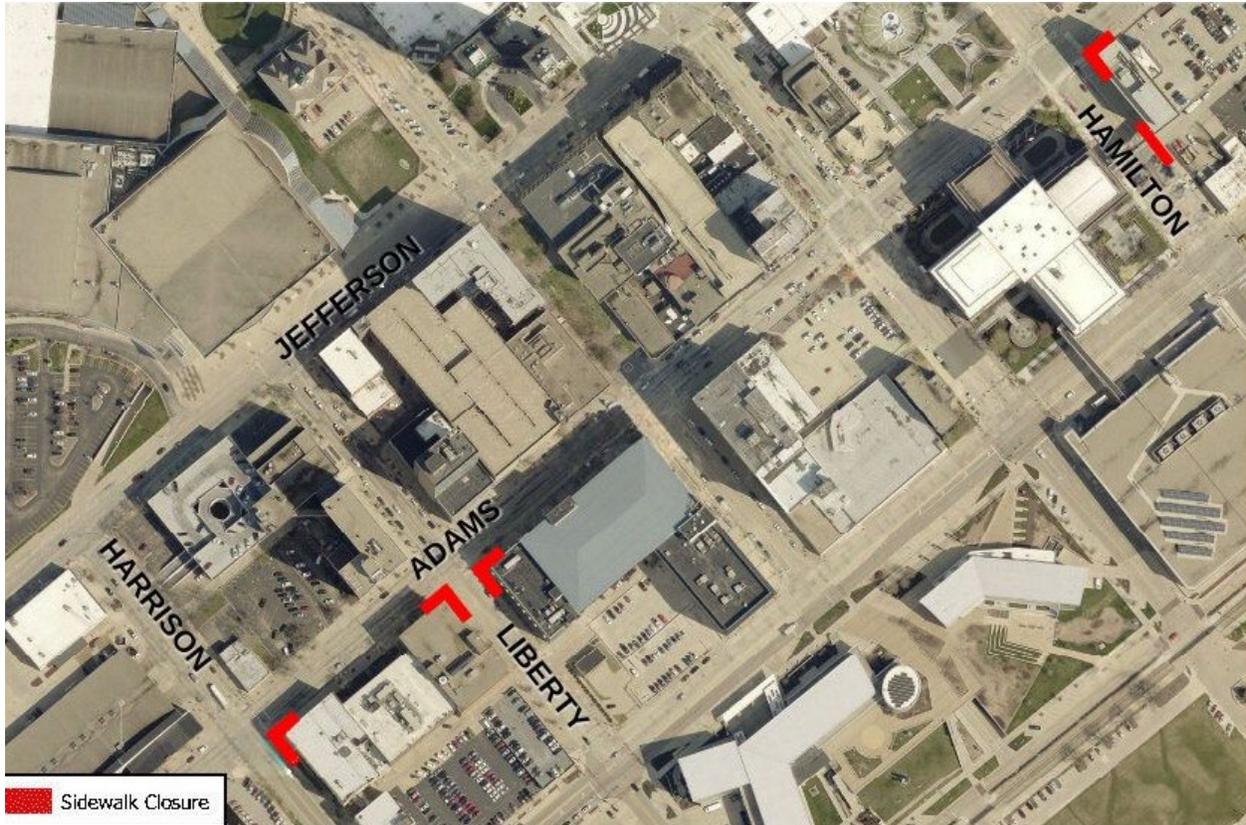
Starting on Monday, July 8, the northbound drive lane of Hamilton Boulevard between NE Washington Street and NE Adams Street will be closed for sidewalk removal work. The sidewalks along Hamilton Boulevard between 202 Hamilton Boulevard and 200 NE Adams Street will have limited pedestrian access.

Sidewalk work continues at the intersections of Harrison Street, Liberty Street, and Hamilton Boulevard along Adams Street. Sidewalks remain closed near 332, 300, and 200 SW Adams Street and 200 NE Adams Streets.

The sidewalks at the intersection of Hamilton Boulevard and Adams Street near 200 NE Adams Street are nearing completion. Pedestrians should continue to use caution near these closures and cross the street at the next available intersection.

Lane and parking restrictions remain in effect along SW Adams Street. On-street parking restrictions are marked. Drivers should look for unbagged, available parking meters for on-street parking. **If parking meters are bagged with “No Parking” signs, drivers should not park at those spots.**

Additional parking, lane, and sidewalk restrictions will be forthcoming as the Adams Street and Jefferson Avenue One-Way to Two-Way (OWTW) Conversion Project progresses.



Community Development Weekly Report

- Please see attached

Zoning Board of Appeals Agenda

- Please see attached

WEEKLY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

CITY OF PEORIA – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Date: 06/27/2024 - 07/03/2024

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	3	38
Development Center Permits Issued	61	1528
Total Value of Development	\$ 1,104,125	\$ 60,192,47

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.
- Items listed below with the prefixes HPC, PZC or ZBA in the first column are considered **Plans**. **Plans** are development applications that require multiple departments to review for compliance and include a public hearing before a City Commission; in some cases, **Plans** may also require a final decision by the City Council.
- All other items listed below are **Building Permits**. **Building Permits** are development applications that require multiple departments to review for compliance but do not require a public hearing or City Council review.
- The **Staff Assigned** to each item is the primary contact person for any inquires.

Plan/Permit #	Address	Type	Description	Council District	Planner Assigned
COM-12894-2024	7707 N Knoxville Ave	Commercial Alteration	Int. Alt. – J.P. Morgan Chase	5	JN
COM-12943-2024	8903 N Pioneer Rd	Commercial Alteration	Ext. Alt. – install roof mounted solar panels – Meadowview Lawncare	5	JN
COM-12923-2024	4325 N Sheridan Rd	Accessory Structure	Dumpster Enclosure – Sheridan Plaza	3	KW
PZ-1939-2024	111 SW Adams St and 230 SW Jefferson Ave	Planning and Zoning Commission	Special Use for Mural – Niagara and Jefferson Parking Deck	2	KW

Additional Activity

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

Plan/Permit #	Address	Type	Description	Council District	Planner Assigned
SIGN-12888-2024	4921 N Glen Park Pl	Permanent Sign	Install 1 wall sign – Total Spectrum	2	KW
SIGN-12932-2024	1401 W Glen Ave	Permanent Sign	Install 1 canopy sign – Friar Tuck	2	KW
SIGN-12931-2024	4823 N Sheridan Rd	Permanent Sign	Install 2 canopy signs – Bloody Mary Brunch Co.	3	KW

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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. 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	Received Through
18-04-351-024	401 W High St	2	Quit Claim Deed

Properties Transferred to New Owner			
Parcel Number	Address	Council District	Transferred Through
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Properties Demolished			
Parcel Number	Address	Council District	Ownership Type and Reason
14-19-178-006	5105 N Cherill St	2	Private - Planned
18-04-128-001	1830 N Linn St	2	Private - 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
2416 N University St	R&M Mart Inc	Plans Received and Approved	2
3311 N Sterling Ave	Bagels Coffee & More	Plans Approved	1
6001 N Knoxville Ave, Suite 100	The Coventry Room LLC	Plans Received	3
7411 N University St	Swagat Food & Grocery	Plans Received	5

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Community Development Department Contact Information
Staff who are typically assigned to manage development applications.

<p>Leah Allison (LA) <i>Asst. Director of Com. Dev.</i> 494-8667</p> <p>Josh Naven (JN) <i>Senior Urban Planner</i> 494-8657</p> <p>Kerilyn Weick (KW) <i>Senior Urban Planner</i> 494-8606</p> <p>Julia Rose (JR) <i>Urban Planner</i> 494-8649</p>	<p>Rich Storm (RS) <i>Building Safety Manager</i> 494-8632</p> <p>Matt Ziller (MZ) <i>Building Inspector</i> 494-8628</p> <p>Craig Reid (CR) <i>Building Inspector</i> 494-8925</p> <p>Issac Garcia (IG) <i>Building Inspector</i> 494-8921</p>
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**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2024
CITY HALL, ROOM 400 – 1:00 P.M.**

MEETING AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MAY 9, 2024 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. Public hearing on the request of Roxanne Ibe for 825 Adams LLC, to obtain Major
ZBA 1841-2024 Variances from the City of Peoria Unified Development Code Section 6.5.A. Warehouse District General Requirement, to remove the required 3-foot tall minimum floor height to establish a ground floor residence; Section 6.6.6.B.5. Street Wall Materials, to remove the required 2-foot tall brick base course from the required street wall; and Section 6.8.3.G. Parking Lot Plantings to remove the requirement for parking lot trees in a Class WH (Warehouse Form) District for the property located at 825 SW Adams St, (Parcel Identification No. 18-09-313-021), Peoria, IL (Council District 1)

CASE NO. Public hearing on the request of Joseph Walters of Walters Irish Properties, LLC, on behalf
ZBA 1896-2024 of Anne Zumwalt, to obtain a Minor Variance from the City of Peoria Unified Development Code Section 4.5.4. Building Envelope Standards, to reduce the side yard setback from 20 feet to 12 feet, in a Class I1 (Industrial/Business Park) District, for the property located at 1040 W Olympia Dr (Parcel Identification No. 14-05-402-007), Peoria, IL (Council District 5)

CASE NO. Public hearing on the request of Cody Giebelhausen of Civic Digital Displays, LLC, on
ZBA 1904-2024 behalf of Tri-County Water Treatment, to obtain a Major Variance from the City of Peoria Unified Development Code Section 8.3.10.C.2 Off-Premise Freestanding Signs, to allow for the placement of an off-premise freestanding sign on a street designated as a minor arterial per the Official Thoroughfare Map of the City of Peoria and a Major Variance from the Section 3.5.6 Setback Regulations, to reduce the required setback from a designated thoroughfare from 25 feet to 10 feet, in a Class C1 (General Commercial) District, for the property located at 7305 N University St (Parcel Identification No. 14-07-276-010), Peoria, IL (Council District 5)

CASE NO. Public hearing on the request of Theodore Maestranzi to obtain a Major Variance from the
ZBA 1905-2024 City of Peoria Unified Development Code Section 5.4.2 Residential Accessory Structures and Storage Buildings to reduce the setback between a principal structure and an accessory structure from 10 feet to 2 feet 7 inches and a Minor Variance from Section 5.4.2 Residential Accessory Structures and Storage Buildings to increase the size of an accessory storage building from 1,092 square feet to 1,284 square feet in order to construct a detached garage with covered patio in a Class R6 (Multi Family Residential) District for the property located at 906 N Sheridan Road (Parcel Identification No. 18-04-351-056), Peoria, IL (Council District 2)

CASE NO. Public hearing on the request of Joshua Loveless to obtain a Major Variance from the
ZBA 1907-2024 City of Peoria Unified Development Code Section 5.4.6 Fences and Walls, to increase the height of a fence in the front yard from 3 feet to 6 feet, in a Class R4 (Single Family Residential) District for the property located at 2605 N Prospect Road (Parcel Identification No. 14-34-178-024), Peoria, IL (Council District 3)

CASE NO. Public hearing on the request of Brian Woelfle of Wolf Construction Inc., on behalf of Chris and Lindsay Sereno, to obtain a Major Variance from the City of Peoria Unified Development Code Section 8.1.5.F Access/Driveways, to allow for a gravel driveway, in a Class R2 (Single Family Residential) District, for the property located at 6710 N Skyline Dr, (Parcel Identification No. 14-10-376-018), Peoria IL (Council District 5)
ZBA 1915-2024

CASE NO. Public hearing on the request of Shawn M. and Jeannie Goldring to obtain a Major Variance from the City of Peoria Unified Development Code, Section 4.2.4, Building Envelope Standards, to reduce the accessory structure front yard setback from 25 feet to 0 feet and a Major Variance from Section 5.4.6, Fences and Walls, to increase the height of a front yard fence from 3 feet to 6 feet, in a Class R3 (Single Family Residential) District for the property located at 6409 N Brookwood Ln (Parcel Identification No. 14-18-101-017), Peoria, IL (Council District 4)
ZBA 1917-2024

5. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

6. CITIZENS' OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION

7. ADJOURNMENT