



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER



TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Patrick Urich, City Manager *Patrick Urich*

DATE: Dec. 4, 2025

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.

**Call for Artists: Suite 207 Exhibit at City Hall**

The city of Peoria is accepting applications to display art in Suite 207 of City Hall, 419 Fulton Street. Since opening in January 2022, the exhibit in Suite 207 has featured the work of 35 local artists. This year-long program grew out of the Public Arts Advisory Commission’s 2021 effort to create a formal process for displaying art created by local artists in City Hall.

The current exhibit features 15 artists and will remain on display through January 2026. Each participating artist receives a dedicated webpage with images of their work and an artist statement, along with a short video highlighting their practice. Artwork for the upcoming exhibit will be on display from March of 2026 through January of 2027.

Eligible applicants must live in or maintain a studio in Peoria. Artwork must be two-dimensional, framed, and ready to hang. A full list of requirements and the application, along with current and past artists, is available [on the city of Peoria website](https://www.peoriagov.org/ArtworkOnDisplay). The application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 16, 2026.

**Call for Artists**

**Art on Display in Suite 207**  
 Now accepting applications  
[peoriagov.org/ArtworkOnDisplay](https://www.peoriagov.org/ArtworkOnDisplay)

Applicants must submit:

- A completed application (available on the city's website)
- An artist statement, brief biography, and high-resolution images (jpg preferred)

Questions may be directed to Stacy Peterson by email at or 309-494-8560.

presents for the event.

### **Peoria Fire Department Receives Recognition for Installing 1,000 Smoke Alarms**

The Peoria Fire Department has officially installed 1,000 smoke alarms through the Be Alarmed! Smoke Alarm Installation Program, in collaboration with Illinois Fire Safety Alliance Camp I Am Me (CIAM) and the Office of the



Illinois State Fire Marshal (OSFM). The Peoria Fire Department received a plaque from CIAM to acknowledge this achievement at a press event on December 2 at Peoria Fire Central, 505 NE Monroe.

The Peoria Fire Department is only the fifth fire department in the state of Illinois to install 1,000 alarms while participating in the program over the past two years.

“Participating in the Be Alarmed! Smoke Alarm Installation Program through the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance has been a tremendous benefit to not only the Peoria Fire Department, but to the entire city of Peoria,” Peoria Fire Department Division Chief of Prevention Nate Rice said. “We aim to ensure that every home in Peoria is equipped with working smoke alarms because we know that they save lives. The Peoria Fire Department has seen a decrease in fire injuries and fire deaths over the past two years and utilizing the Be Alarmed! program has contributed to this success.”

The Be Alarmed! Smoke Alarm Installation Program is a fire safety education and smoke alarm installation program administered cooperatively between CIAM and OSFM. The program distributes fire safety education materials and 10-year sealed battery smoke alarms to fire departments in the state of Illinois. The fire departments then deliver the educational materials while installing smoke alarms in at-risk homes within their communities at no cost to the residents.

Peoria residents can sign up for smoke alarm installations through the program on the [city of Peoria website](#).

### **Peoria Public Works – Jefferson/Adams Conversion Project Update**

This December, sidewalk work will continue on a pair of intersection corners along Jefferson Avenue, as the weather allows. The work is part of the Adams Street and Jefferson Avenue One-Way to Two-Way Conversion Project.

Work will continue at the following intersections:

- The northeast corner of Hamilton Boulevard and N.E. Jefferson Avenue, near 200 N.E. Jefferson Avenue.
- The northeast corner of Main Street and N.E. Jefferson Avenue, near 100 N.E. Jefferson Avenue.

As a reminder, when sidewalks are closed, pedestrians should use caution in the area and cross the street at the next available intersection.

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 in 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.

Drivers should be mindful of workers in the area and watch for no-parking areas. Extra caution should be exercised in the area.

### **Peoria Public Schools Bringing Back Traditional Snow Days**

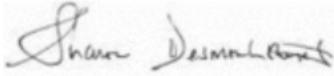
I am excited to share that beginning this winter, Peoria Public Schools will bring back traditional snow days. This means e-learning will no longer be used during inclement weather. Instead, students can enjoy these rare days to relax, play, and make lasting memories.

As always, student safety remains our top priority. Please be mindful of the wind chill factor before spending time outdoors on a snow day. If temperatures drop too low, we encourage everyone to stay inside and keep warm.

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We also know that the best way for our students to learn is in our classrooms and in front of our remarkable teachers. Maximizing instructional time is essential for academic success, and returning to traditional snow days helps us make the most of our time together when school is in session.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat". The signature is written in a cursive style and is centered below the text "With gratitude,".

Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat, Ed.D.

Community Development Weekly Report

- See attached

# WEEKLY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

## CITY OF PEORIA – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

**Date: 11/20/2025 – 12/03/2025**

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 virtually. We also offer an in-person option the first Monday of each month at Distillery Labs at 201 SW Adams St. This is a free service for anyone who wants to discuss development with staff from various city departments, local utility companies, the Peoria County 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           | 2           | 70            |
| Development Center Permits Issued | 117         | 2,654         |
| Total Value of Development        | \$2,421,985 | \$239,559,604 |

### 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 inquiries.

| Plan/Permit #  | Address           | Type                    | Description                           | Council District | Planner Assigned |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| MULT 2953-2025 | 2017 W Malone St  | Multi Family Alteration | Int. Alteration                       | 1                | JN               |
| COM 2964-2025  | 210 S Western Ave | Commercial Alteration   | Int. Alteration – DD&J Properties LLC | 1                | JN               |
| COM 2976-2025  | 4201 SW Adams St  | Commercial Alteration   | Change of Occupancy – JB’s Bar        | 1                | JN               |

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### Additional Activity

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

| Plan/Permit #  | Address            | Type                             | Description                               | Council District | Planner Assigned |
|----------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|---|------------------|------------------|
| SIGN 3014-2025 | 1530 W Altorfer Dr | Permanent Sign                   | Freestanding and Awning Sign – We Drive U | 5                | NM               |
| SUBD 505-2025  | 4016 W Crimson Rd  | Subdivision                      | Survey Plat – Sale to Adjacent Owner      | 5                | KW               |
| HPC 504-2025   | 3014 N Prospect Rd | Historic Preservation Commission | Certificate of Appropriateness            | 3                | KW               |

### 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 |
|---------|------|---------------|------------------|
| -       | -    | -             | -                |

### 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 |
| 14-28-277-023       | 3911 N Boulevard Ave | 3                | Judicial Deed    |
| 18-17-153-013       | 1022 S Blaine St     | 1                | Judicial Deed    |
| 14-35-154-036       | 3305 NE Madison Ave  | 3                | Judicial Deed    |
| 18-04-231-012       | 1626 N New York Ave  | 3                | Judicial Deed    |
| 18-08-331-007       | 1404 W Widenham St   | 1                | Judicial Deed    |

| Properties Transferred to New Owner |         |                  |                     |
|-------------------------------------|---------|------------------|---------------------|
| Parcel Number                       | Address | Council District | Transferred Through |
| -                                   | -       | -                | -                   |

| Properties Demolished |                    |                  |                           |
|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| Parcel Number         | Address            | Council District | Ownership Type and Reason |
| 18-05-228-027         | 1821 N Sheridan Rd | 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 |
|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| 7815 N Radnor Rd | Fairways @ GLC | Plans Received/Approved | 5                |

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**Community Development Department Contact Information**

Staff who are typically assigned to manage development applications.

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| <p align="center"><b>Leah Allison (LA)</b><br/><i>Asst. Director of Com. Dev.</i><br/>494-8667</p> <p align="center"><b>Josh Naven (JN)</b><br/><i>Senior Urban Planner</i><br/>494-8657</p> <p align="center"><b>Kerilyn Weick (KW)</b><br/><i>Senior Urban Planner</i><br/>494-8606</p> <p align="center"><b>Julia Rose (JR)</b><br/><i>Urban Planner</i><br/>494-8649</p> <p align="center"><b>Nolan Meyer (NM)</b><br/><i>Urban Planner</i><br/>494-8612</p> | <p align="center"><b>Rich Storm (RS)</b><br/><i>Building Safety Manager</i><br/>494-8632</p> <p align="center"><b>Matt Ziller (MZ)</b><br/><i>Building Inspector</i><br/>494-8628</p> <p align="center"><b>Craig Reid (CR)</b><br/><i>Building Inspector</i><br/>494-8925</p> <p align="center"><b>Issac Garcia (IG)</b><br/><i>Building Inspector</i><br/>494-8921</p> <p align="center"><b>Julio Garcia (JG)</b><br/><i>Building Inspector</i><br/>494-8638</p> |
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