

The event will allow attendees to learn about the City’s procurement process, register with the City’s [Minority and Women-Owned Business Registry](#), and meet with additional government agencies. Light refreshments will be served, and free parking will be available in the Civic Center parking lot at Monroe and Fulton Streets.

The event will begin with brief presentations from the State of Illinois Commission on Equity and Inclusion and their Business Enterprise Program and presentations from the Minority Business Development Center and Bradley University’s Small Business Development Center. Representatives from Peoria County, Peoria Public Schools, Peoria Park District, Greater Peoria Sanitary District, CityLink, West Peoria, Illinois Central College, and the construction trades will also be on-site.

Mayor Ali stated, “This is a wonderful opportunity for minority business owners to learn more about the government procurement process and opportunities to do business with the city and other government entities. This event aims to foster diversity, increase economic empowerment, and grow local businesses within our community.”

Registration for the event is encouraged. Please visit the [city of Peoria's Equal Opportunity Office page](#).

PeoriaCorps Welcomes 10th Cohort



The 10th cohort of PeoriaCorps took the AmeriCorps pledge on Friday, March 15 in conjunction with the 30th anniversary of the AmeriCorps program! PeoriaCorps is a six-month AmeriCorps-based personal and career development service program for citizens interested in volunteering

in their community and developing employability skills. Although the program targets individuals aged 18-28, there are no upper age restrictions for participants.

In service to the City of Peoria, participants maintain green infrastructure sites while building employability, professional development, and leadership skills. Members complete up to 900 service hours and earn multiple industry-recognized credentials, including OSHA 10, HAZWOPER, and CPR/First Aid Certifications

Community Development - 2024 Neighborhood Mini Grant Program

The city of Peoria will accept applications for the Neighborhood Mini Grant Program from Monday, March 4th at 9:00 AM through Friday, April 8th at 3:00 PM.

The Neighborhood Mini Grant Program provides neighborhood and homeowner associations funding for projects that improve neighborhoods and build community. The maximum funding amount per project is \$5,000. Applicants must show proof of community support for their project. Projects must be completed and all funds must be spent by Friday, December 13th, 2024.

Eligible projects include:

- Security cameras
- Block parties
- Tree-plantings (non-fruit bearing) and landscaping
- Public space improvements such as benches, picnic tables, shelters, or pergolas
- Outreach
- Placemaking
- Public art

How To Apply

There are three ways to apply to the Neighborhood Mini Grant Program.

- Online: Visit the [Neighborhood Mini Grant](#) page
- Call: (309) 494-8600
- In-Person: Visit City Hall, 419 Fulton Street, Room 203, Peoria, IL 61602 (Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM)

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The application period begins at 8:00 AM on Monday, March 4th, and ends at 5:00 PM on Friday, April 8th. Applications will be reviewed by City staff and decisions will be made in mid-April.

For more information, please contact Neighborhood Enhancement Coordinator Kaylee Drea by [email](#) or by calling 309-494-8624.

Community Development Department Invites Neighbors to Coffee with Code


**COFFEE
WITH
CODE**

Meet your code enforcement inspector
and learn about our grant programs

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

PEORIA PUBLIC LIBRARY
107 NE Monroe St, Peoria, IL 61602
Lower Level Auditorium



The graphic also features a photograph of a community meeting where several people are seated around a long table, engaged in conversation.

On Thursday, March 21st 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 allows residents and community members to meet their code enforcement inspector, talk to their neighbors,

and learn more about our grant opportunities.

For more information, please contact Neighborhood Enhancement Coordinator Kaylee Drea by [email](#) or by calling 309-494-8624.

Peoria Police Department – Visit to Rolling Acres Middle School

Several PPD Officers and Command Staff personnel paid a visit to Rolling Acres Middle School on March 15. This month the students are participating in a letter-writing campaign for First Responders thanking them for all they do and encouraging them to keep up the good work. Most of the letters were passed out during the 2nd shift roll call.



Peoria Police Department – Police Honored by Special Olympics Illinois



The Peoria Police Department was awarded with this beautiful plaque for Outstanding Financial Support to the 2023 Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Illinois.

The plaque was presented to Peoria Police Chief Eric Echevarria

Peoria Public Works- Jefferson/Adams Conversion - Work at the intersections of Harrison and Liberty at Adams Street continues for OWTW Project

Sidewalks near 400 and 300 SW Adams remain closed for improvements

Sidewalk removal and preparation work for new curb and gutter continues this week at the intersections of SW Adams Street and Harrison Street, and SW Adams Street and Liberty Street, weather permitting.

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With the work, the sidewalks near 400 SW Adams and Harrison Street, and 300 SW Adams Street and Liberty Street remained closed. Pedestrians should 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.

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 Update –Peoria Public Schools Job Opportunities Text Line



Friendly reminder! You can easily access current job openings for Peoria Public Schools by texting "JOBS" to 30929. This convenient technology ensures that we can efficiently fill our open positions with the best candidates for the 2024-2025 school year. We're excited to welcome remarkable staff to join our team!

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With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name.

Dr. Sharon Desmoulin-Kherat, Ed. D

Community Development Weekly Report

- Please see attached

WEEKLY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

CITY OF PEORIA – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Date: 03/14/2024 - 03/20/2024

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	2	10
Development Center Permits Issued	65	620
Total Value of Development	\$ 1,894,962	\$ 23,103,018

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
COM-11911-2024	4032 N Westport Ct	Commercial Alteration	Ext. Alt. – Replace roof on condo	4	JR
COM-11910-2024	4240 N Brandywine Dr	Commercial Alteration	Int. Alt./Change of Occupancy – SNS Roofing and Gorilla Pit	2	KW
RES-11916-2024	6611 N Mt Hawley Rd	New Single Family Home	NSFD	5	JR
PZ-1758-2024	401 NE Adams St	Planning and Zoning Commission	Special Use for Social Service Institution – Salvation Army	3	KW

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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-11908-2024	7713 N Orange Prairie Rd	Permanent Sign	Install 4 wall signs – Aqua Tots	4	JR
HPC-1767-2024	518 W High St	Historic Preservation Commission	Certificate of Appropriateness – Roof repair	2	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
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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
-			

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

Properties Demolished			
Parcel Number	Address	Council District	Ownership Type and Reason
-			

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
800 SW Adams St	Pop Up Chicken Shop	Plans Approved	1
1800 NE Perry Ave	Woodruff CTC	Plans Received	3
2411 N Knoxville Ave	King Zone	Plans Received	2

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Community Development Department Contact Information

Staff who are typically assigned to manage development applications.

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Urban Planner
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Matt Ziller (MZ)
Building Inspector
494-8628

Craig Reid (CR)
Building Inspector
494-8925

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Building Inspector
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