



MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Trustees
FROM: Village Administrator Evan Walter and Staff
DATE: February 18, 2022
RE: Village Administrator's Weekly Report

The following is the Village Staff's weekly report of upcoming Village meetings, staff updates, and various reports. This memo is provided every Friday and distributed to Trustees, Staff, and posted on the Village web site. Any concerns or questions should be directed to the Village staff at (630) 654-8181.

Upcoming Public Meetings

- ~~Monday, February 21: Plan Commission – 7 PM; Board Room – Canceled~~
- Monday, February 28: Board of Trustees – 7 PM; Board Room
- Wednesday, March 2: Economic Development – 6 PM; Board Room
- Monday, March 7: Plan Commission Training Session – 6 PM; PD Training Room
- Wednesday, March 9: Board of Fire & Police – 7 PM; PD Conference Room
- Monday, March 14: Board Budget Workshop – 5:30 PM; Board Room
- Monday, March 14: Board of Trustees – 7 PM; Board Room
- Monday, March 21: Plan Commission – 7 PM; Board Room
- Monday, March 28: Board of Trustees – 7 PM; Board Room
- Wednesday, March 30: Mobile DMV – 10 AM – 2 PM; Board Room
- Monday, April 4: Plan Commission – 7 PM; Board Room
- Wednesday, April 6: Economic Development – 6 PM; Board Room
- Monday, April 11: Board of Trustees – 7 PM; Board Room
- Tuesday, April 12: Police Pension Board – 7PM; Conference Room
- Wednesday, April 13: Board of Fire & Police – 7 PM; PD Conference Room
- Monday, April 18: Plan Commission – 7 PM; Board Room
- Monday, April 25: Board of Trustees – 7 PM; Board Room

Village Highlights and Updates

FY2023 Budget Update: The budget is in final preparation and will be publicly released on February 25 with a budget workshop scheduled for 5:30pm on Monday, March 14 prior to the regularly scheduled Board meeting. Please call me to schedule a meeting to review the budget outside of a public meeting if you are so inclined.

Plan Commission Training: Staff is in process of finalizing a Plan Commission training for the Plan Commission, Board of Trustees, and other Village officials as desired on Monday, March 7 in the Police Training Room. The training will be presented by staff and the Village Attorney. All are invited to participate; dinner will be provided. Further details and an agenda will be distributed next week.

President's Day: Monday, February 21 is the observance of President's Day. All Village offices will be open during normal business hours.

Reports and Briefings

- ❖ **IML Statehouse Briefing:** Attached is the Illinois Municipal League Statehouse Briefing dated February 14, 2022.
- ❖ **IML Federal Focus:** Attached is the Illinois Municipal League Federal Focus dated

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February 14, 2022

This edition of the *Statehouse Briefing* highlights a message from the Illinois Municipal League (IML) regarding IML's opposition to pending Tax Increment Financing (TIF) legislation, IML's 2022 "Moving Cities Forward" platform, cybersecurity resources from the IML Risk Management Association (RMA), a virtual workshop from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) on diversifying business partnerships with the state and a call for educational topic submissions.

Update on TIF Legislation

On February 10, IML Executive Director Brad Cole met with Senator Gillespie (D-Arlington Heights) concerning her proposal to amend the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act (TIF Act), [SB 2298](#) ([available via this link](#)).

[IML provided an update to all TIF communities](#) ([available via this link](#)), announcing that Senator Gillespie intends to adopt an amendment to SB 2298 and move the bill as early as next week.

IML opposes this amendment and requests that municipal officials immediately contact their State Senator to oppose SB 2298. If you do not have contact information for your State Senator, please consult the [General Assembly website, which is available via this link](#).

[On February 11, IML sent a letter to Senate President Don Harmon and all other State Senators requesting that they oppose this legislation](#) ([available via this link](#)).

Legislative Update

Both chambers of the Illinois General Assembly are scheduled to return this week.

IML is pursuing the passage of its [2022 State Legislative Agenda](#) ([available via this link](#)), the entirety of which is filed in at least one chamber. The agenda has been updated to reflect bill numbers and bill sponsors.

IML Director of Legislative Affairs Mitchell Remmert [provided a legislative update video, which may be viewed on our Education Resources page, available via this link](#).

Weekly Bills of Concern

- [SB 2298 – TIF/Redevelopment Project Area](#) ([Oppose](#), [Preemption Bill](#), [Mandate Bill](#), [Revenue Reduction Bill](#))
- [HB 308 – Pension Code-Downstate Police and Fire Financing](#) ([Support](#), [IML Initiative](#), [Key Bill](#))
- [HB 3530 – Employee Security Act](#) ([Oppose](#), [Mandate Bill](#))
- [HB 4691 – Municipal Code-Sell Water/Sewer Utility](#) ([Oppose](#), [Preemption Bill](#))
- [HB 4829 – Government Immunity-Data Breaches](#) ([Support](#), [IML Initiative](#), [Key Bill](#))
- [HB 5508 – Municipal Code-Water Reconnection Fee](#) ([Oppose](#), [Preemption Bill](#), [Revenue Reduction Bill](#), [Mandate Bill](#))

Municipal officials can register their position on legislation assigned to legislative committee hearings at

[my.ilga.gov \(available via this link\)](#). All legislation, as well as IML's position on the bills we are tracking, is available on our website at [iml.org/billtracking](#).

IML Unveils Moving Cities Forward Platform

On February 8, IML President Julie Moore Wolfe, Mayor of Decatur, joined IML Executive Director Brad Cole at the Illinois State Capitol to unveil IML's [2022 "Moving Cities Forward" platform \(available via this link\)](#). The platform aims to ensure the long-term success of Illinois' cities, villages and towns.

RMA Cybersecurity Resources

Every municipality is at risk from cyber threats that can disrupt essential services and potentially impact public safety. On January 18, 2022, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) released updated information and guidelines on implementing cybersecurity measures ([available via this link](#)).

Cybersecurity resources from RMA and the Election Infrastructure Subsector Government Coordinating Council (EIS-GCC) are linked below:

- [RMA Fact Sheet: Cyber Fraud Through Social Engineering](#)
- [RMA Fact Sheet: Cybersecurity Update](#)
- [RMA Fact Sheet: DataSafe Resources](#)
- [RMA Fact Sheet: Prepare for the Worst: Cybersecurity Tips to Keep Your Municipality Safe](#)
- [RMA Fact Sheet: Steps to Take Due to a Cyber Attack](#)
- [EIS-GCC Fact Sheet: Mis-, Dis-, and Malinformation](#)
- [EIS-GCC Fact Sheet: Rumor Control Page Start-Up Guide](#)

IML Releases Resource on Statement of Economic Interests Form

Public Act 102-0664, effective January 1, 2022, amended provisions of the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act and expanded the disclosure of financial interests required to be included in the Statement of Economic Interests form that must be filed annually with the county clerk.

IML developed a fact sheet to assist municipal officials in the completion of the Statement of Economic Interests form, which is available with all IML fact sheets on our website (<https://iml.org/factsheets>) and is [directly available via this link](#).

Summit for Success: IDOT Virtual Workshop Aims to Diversify Business Partnerships with State

IDOT is hosting the 2022 Summit for Success, a one-day virtual workshop geared toward providing female- and minority-owned businesses with opportunities to make connections and develop skills to grow their business by participating in IDOT's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program. The free workshop will be held Thursday, February 17, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Registration information and other event details are [available via this link](#). Questions can be directed to IDOT's Bureau of Small Business Enterprises at (217) 782-5490.

2022 Educational Topic Submissions

IML is planning to host numerous educational opportunities including the IML Annual Conference, online seminars and in-person workshops throughout the year for our members. We are eager to partner with subject-matter experts who can translate their knowledge and experience into solutions that help municipal officials better serve their communities.

If you know a speaker whose area of expertise aligns with a possible IML educational event or who would like to present, [please consider submitting a topic proposal or speaker recommendation today](#).

[Topic recommendations for the IML Annual Conference \(September 15-17, 2022\) will be accepted until April 1, 2022](#). We will keep this submission process open throughout the year to benefit from your suggestions for other or future possible educational events.

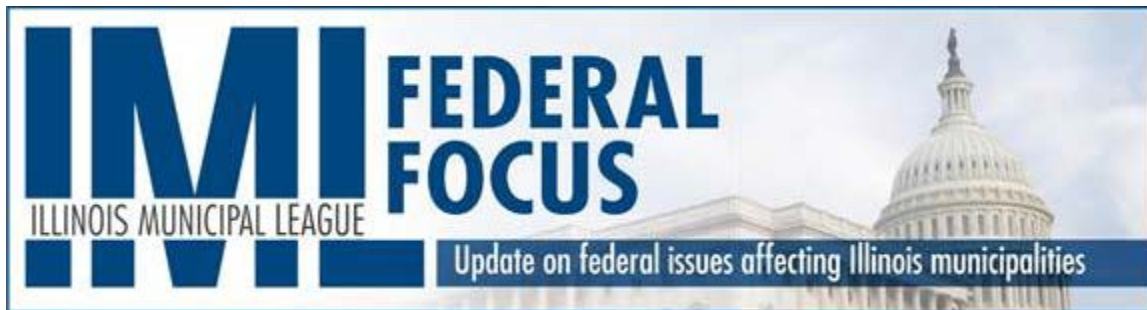
Contact Us

As always, IML staff will continue to monitor any prospective legislative developments and aggressively advocate on behalf of our membership. Should you have any questions, please contact our Legislative Department at (217) 525-1220 or IMLLegislation@iml.org. Thank you.

If you do not wish to receive information from the Illinois Municipal League via email, please reply to this email, include the words "Please remove from list" along with your name, municipality and email address included in the message. If you have updates to your contact information, please submit them similarly. Thank you.

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February 16, 2022

This month's *Federal Focus* highlights a resource from the White House on the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and an announcement of 25 upcoming infrastructure grant opportunities for local governments.

White House Releases Guidebook for Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

The Biden Administration [released a 465-page guidebook \(available via this link\)](#) meant to help state, local and tribal governments navigate programs included in the recently signed \$1.2 trillion infrastructure law.

In an announcement, the White House said the guidebook was meant to serve as "a roadmap to the funding available under the law, as well as an explanatory document that shows direct federal spending at the program level." It provides information on the more than 375 programs within the infrastructure package.

Along with the guidebook, the White House issued a data file that enables users to sort infrastructure programs in the law based on different variables, like which agency is overseeing the money, or the amount of funding available. More on the White House guidebook and data file [is available via this link](#).

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Funding Opportunities for Local Governments

On January 21, U.S. Senators Dick Durbin (D-IL) and Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) announced 25 upcoming infrastructure grant opportunities for local governments as a result of the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act* (IIJA). Local governments throughout Illinois will be able to apply for funding to improve roads, bridges, public transit, water infrastructure, broadband access and more. In addition to these grant opportunities, Illinois will receive more than \$17 billion in dedicated funding as a result of the IIJA. The list of upcoming grant opportunities are below:

Transportation

- [Rebuilding American Infrastructure Sustainably and Equitably \(RAISE\) Grants](#) – This existing competitive grant program at the Department of Transportation provides \$7.5 billion with an additional \$7.5 billion subject to Congressional approval in funding for road, rail, transit and

other surface transportation of local and/or regional significance. Selection criteria include safety, sustainability, equity, economic competitiveness, mobility and community connectivity. Applications will open in the first quarter of 2022.

- [Port Infrastructure Development Program Grants](#) – This existing \$2 billion Department of Transportation program funds investment in the modernization and expansion of U.S. ports to remove supply chain bottlenecks, ensure long-term competitiveness, resilience and sustainability while reducing impacts to the environment and neighboring communities. The infrastructure law expanded the program’s eligibilities to include projects that improve goods movement, as well as port electrification projects, idling reduction solutions, equipment charging infrastructure and related worker training initiatives. The Department of Transportation expects to open applications in February 2022.
- [Bus & Bus Facilities Competitive Grants](#) – This existing \$2 billion program at the Department of Transportation provides capital funding to replace, rehabilitate, purchase or lease buses and bus-related equipment and to rehabilitate, purchase, construct or lease bus-related facilities as well as capital funding for low or no emissions bus projects. Fiscal Year 2021 grant selections will be announced soon. Applications are expected to open for the Fiscal Year 22 grant program in the first quarter of 2022.
- National Infrastructure Project Assistance (also known as “Megaprojects” or MEGA) – This \$5 billion competitive grant program supports multi-modal, multi-jurisdictional projects of regional or national significance. Communities are eligible to apply for funding to complete critical large projects that would otherwise be unachievable without assistance. Selection criteria for the program will be posted on the [Department of Transportation website in February 2022](#).
- [Infrastructure for Rebuilding America \(INFRA\) Grants](#) – This Department of Transportation program supports highway and rail projects of regional and economic significance. Applications will open in the first quarter of 2022. [More about how to apply is available via this link.](#)
- Safe Streets and Roads for All – This new \$5 billion competitive grant program at the Department of Transportation will provide funding directly to and exclusively for local governments to support their efforts to advance “vision zero” plans and other complete street improvements to reduce crashes and fatalities, especially for cyclists and pedestrians. Applications are expected to open in May 2022.
- Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grants – In addition to the \$5 billion formula program distributed to states, this \$2.5 billion discretionary grant program at the Department of Transportation will fund the strategic deployment of publicly accessible electric vehicle

charging infrastructure, as well as hydrogen, propane and natural gas fueling infrastructure, along designated alternative fuel corridors and in communities. The Department is seeking comments on program design [available via this link](#).

- Clean School Bus Program – This new \$5 billion competitive grant program at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will provide funding to replace existing school buses with low- or zero-emission school buses. Applications for funding will be made [available via this link](#) later this spring.
- Reconnecting Communities – The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law creates a first-ever \$1 billion program at the Department of Transportation to reconnect communities divided by transportation infrastructure – particularly historically disadvantaged communities too often nearly destroyed or cut in half by a highway. This new competitive program will provide dedicated funding to state, local, metropolitan planning organizations and tribal governments for planning, design, demolition and reconstruction of street grids, parks or other infrastructure to address these legacy impacts. Applications will open in the second quarter of 2022.
- Rural Surface Transportation Grant – This new \$2 billion competitive grant program at the Department of Transportation will improve and expand surface transportation infrastructure in rural areas, increasing connectivity, improving safety and reliability of the movement of people and freight, and generate regional economic growth. This amount includes specific set asides for small projects (\$200 million), rural roadway lane departure improvements (\$300 million) and the Appalachian Development Highway System (\$500 million). Applications will open in the first quarter of 2022.

Climate, Energy & Environment

- [Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Program](#) – This existing Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) program will distribute \$1 billion to support communities undertaking hazard mitigation projects to reduce the risks they face from disasters and other natural hazards. Communities will apply as sub-applicants under their states. Applications for Fiscal Year 22 are expected to open no later than September 30, 2022.
- [Flood Mitigation Assistance](#) – \$3.5 billion from this existing FEMA program can be used for projects that reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings insured by the [National Flood Insurance Program](#). Communities will apply as sub-applicants under their states. Applications for Fiscal Year 22 are expected to open no later than September 30, 2022.
- [Brownfields Remediation Program](#) – This existing EPA program will provide \$1.2 billion in

grants and technical assistance to communities to assess and safely clean-up contaminated properties and offer job training programs. Communities are currently able to request funding for Targeted Brownfields Assessments through their regional EPA office. Additional competitive funding opportunities will be announced this spring.

- [Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants](#) – This Department of Energy block grant program will provide \$550 million to states, local governments and tribes for projects that reduce energy use, increase energy efficiency and cut pollution. The first funding opportunity is expected for release in the fall of 2022.
- Grants for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Improvements in Schools – This new Department of Energy Program will provide \$500 million for local government education agencies and nonprofit partners to make energy efficiency, renewable energy and clean vehicle upgrades and improvements at public schools. The opportunity to apply for funding is expected to be open in the fall of 2022.
- Energy Improvement in Rural or Remote Areas – This new Department of Energy program will provide \$1 billion to entities in rural or remote areas (defined as cities, towns or unincorporated areas with fewer than 10,000 inhabitants) to increase environmental protection from the impacts of energy use and improve resilience, reliability, safety and availability of energy. Applications for funding are expected to be open in the fall of 2022.
- Grants for Energy Efficiency and Resilience Code Adoption – This Department of Energy program will provide \$225 million to state energy agencies, in partnership with local building code agencies, codes and standards developers, utilities and other entities, to enable sustained, cost-effective implementation of updated building energy codes to save customers money on their energy bills. Applications for funding are expected to be open by the end of 2022.
- Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs – This new Department of Energy program will provide \$8 billion to support the development of at least four regional clean hydrogen hubs to improve clean hydrogen production, processing, delivery, storage and end use. Applications for funding will open in the summer of 2022.
- Community Wildfire Defense Grant Program – This new \$1 billion program at the Department of Agriculture will provide grants to communities at risk from wildfire to develop or revise their community wildfire protection plans and carry out projects described within those plans. It will include a mix of formula and competitive funds. Applications are expected to open early in 2023.

Broadband, Cyber & Other Programs

- [ReConnect Program](#) – This existing Department of Agriculture program will provide almost \$2 billion in loans and grants for projects that provide broadband in rural areas. Applications will likely open in the third quarter of 2022 (and towns in rural areas can apply for the current \$1.15 billion in loans and grant funding application deadline of February 22, 2022).
- Middle Mile Grants Program – This new \$1 billion program at the Department of Commerce provides grants for the construction, improvement or acquisition of middle mile broadband infrastructure. Applications will likely open during the second quarter of 2022.
- State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program – This new \$1 billion program at the Department of Homeland Security makes available federal funds to state, local and tribal governments to address cybersecurity risks and cybersecurity threats to information systems that they own or operate. Applications will likely open during the third quarter of 2022.
- Smart Grid Investment Grant Program and Energy Sector Operational Support For Cyber Resilience Program – These two Department of Energy programs will provide \$3 billion and \$50 million, respectively, for electric utilities, including municipal and co-operative utilities, to modernize the electricity grid and increase resilience to cybersecurity threats. Applications for the Smart Grid program are expected to be open by the end of 2022, and applications for the Cyber Resilience program are expected to be open in the summer of 2022.
- Water & Groundwater Storage and Conveyance – This existing \$1 billion program at the Department of Interior provides funding for water storage projects with capacity between 2,000 and 30,000 acre-feet, as well as projects that convey water to or from surface water or groundwater storage. The Department will hold its final stakeholder sessions this month and open applications later this spring.
- [Emergency Watershed Protection Program](#) – This existing Department of Agriculture program will provide \$300 million in technical and financial assistance to project sponsors for the design and construction of measures to help repair damages from a recent disaster. Applications open in February 2022.

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