



Office of the City Manager

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Patrick Urich, City Manager

DATE: May 20, 2011

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.

COUNCIL REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE. On April 12, 2011, the City Council created the City of Peoria Redistricting Committee to handle the task of reapportioning areas of the City into equal population Council Districts. The Redistricting Committee held their first meeting on May 12, 2011 and discussed the following items:

1. Purpose of the Committee
2. Existing Council District Population and changes needed to adhere to State Statutes
3. 2010 Census Data relating to total population and housing vacancy
4. Legal requirements for the redistricting process

After discussion, the Committee directed staff to bring back multiple scenarios of possible Council District Boundaries pursuant to the following criteria:

1. Nearly equal population
2. Compact
3. Contiguous
4. Keeping together communities of interest
 - a. Respect identified neighborhoods
5. Major thoroughfares as boundaries

Some requested scenarios include a North-South scenario, an East-West scenario, drawn from center scenario, and existing Council Districts with expansions to reach population requirement scenario. The Committee's next meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2011 at 5:30 PM at City Hall Room 400. This meeting will consist of the review of the proposed scenarios with possible direction to Staff to update or provide additional scenarios. Additional future meetings may be scheduled at this meeting.

HEALTH CARE 2011 1ST QUARTER REPORT. The Health Care 1st Quarterly Report **(Electronic Copy Only)** is included in this week's Issues Update for your review.

PUBLIC WORKS APPRECIATION LUNCHEON. Between the Police Memorial and Awards Ceremonies and Public Works Appreciation Luncheon this week I received a thank you note **(Electronic Copy Only)** from a citizen complementing the Public Works Department on great job they did on snow removal after one of the many snow events that occurred this year.

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HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR. With the recent passing of Joseph Smith, I plan to post the Human Resource Director position in the next week with the intent to fill as soon as possible.

STRATEGIC PLAN WORKSHOP. Mr. Lyle Sumek plans to return sometime in June to hold another workshop with the Council regarding the Strategic Plan for the City of Peoria. No date has been set at this time however, we will be contacting you regarding your availability.