



## City Council Meeting – Nov. 17, 2025 Staff Responses to Questions

Before each City Council meeting, questions that have been posted by the City Council relating to the agenda for that evening will be posted to the City's website. Below are the responses to this week's questions.

### **7. Reports**

#### **a. Consider Acceptance of RTA Special District Financing Study**

Q: May the City Council be provided with a brief summary of the \$600,000 bond issued in 2001 for Special Service Area No. 1 and how the funds were utilized?

A: The funds were used to purchase the parking lot adjacent to the Metra Station (Siegel) and to refinance debt associated with the purchase of the parking lot north of Hamilton Street. (Hi-Hat).

Q: How is 2025 ridership for Metra shaping up compared to 2024?

A: Metra reports that ridership fluctuates each month, but is averaging about 16% higher in 2025 compared to 2024.

Q: Please confirm that acceptance of this study by the City Council merely means accepting it into the public record? Will it be used as background for further discussion?

A: Correct.

### **10. Reports**

#### **b. Consider Resolution No. 2025-138 Restating and Extending the Site Plan Approval Granted by Resolution 2023-120 for a Second Time for the Construction of a Proposed 5,000 square foot, Single-Story, Commercial Building and Associated Site Improvements for the Property Located Between 602 and 626 E. State St. (Khanna Dentistry)**

Q: The copy of the email from Dr. Khanna was not included in the agenda. May a copy be shared?

A: The executive summary mistakenly indicates the City received an email requesting the extension. Rather, the applicant was informed via email that extension of the site plan approval is required because a building permit has not been issued. After receiving the email, the applicant confirmed the desire to extend the site plan approval by phone.

Q: With the commencement of the East State Street reconstruction project, is the original site plan still valid or will there need to be any adjustments made?

A: The original site plan approval remains valid. The building permit is ready to be issued, pending final engineering approval and receipt of a permit from the Illinois Department of Transportation.