



**Peoria City/County  
Health Department**

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## 2019 Joint Legislative Agenda

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### Requests for Direct Sponsorship

- **Joint Request – Sales and Use Tax Reform:** Reform sales and use taxes related to internet / online sales. Specifically, converting online sales tax collection from a point-of-origin to a point-of-destination methodology.
- **City Request – Broaden Sales Tax Base:** Taxing services (in addition to goods) would increase state and local revenues, bring Illinois in line with most other states, and allow localities to lower home rule sales tax rates on goods.
- **City Request – Public Safety Pension Reform:** Support common sense reforms for the public safety pension system, including adoption of a 30-year rolling amortization period and allowing Police and Fire pension boards the ability to make investments similar to IMRF. Support consolidation of all downstate police and fire pension funds into a downstate police pension fund and downstate fire pension fund that treats each municipal obligation separate and unique, but consolidates investment responsibility into one entity.
- **County Request – County Motor Fuel Tax Law:** Expand 55 ILCS 5/5-1035.1 to include counties with a population greater than 100,000 at the time of the most recent federal census.
- **County Request – Juvenile Justice Reform:** Find lead sponsor in House (other than Gabel) for SB 2581 (Mulroe) to make time from arrest to detention hearing 48 hours (federal standard); requires an evidence and data-based screening tool be created by July 1, 2020.
- **County Request – Bail Reform Act:** Appropriate dollars in State Supreme Court budget for their request to fund pre-trial supervision staffing.
- **PCCHD / County Request - Grant Accountability & Transparency Act (30 ILCS 708/):**
  - Part 1: IDOT has determined that Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) allotments to local governments are a grant and therefore subject to GATA. MFT allotments are not grants and should be exempt from GATA.
  - Part 2: While the intent of GATA in supporting increased accountability within government is appreciated, the state implementation creates additional burdens to local government; reporting of non-grant funding (WIC benefits, VFC inventory, MFT), dependency outside of the scope and control of individual agencies, and reporting/reimbursement delays.
- **PCCHD Request – Increase Public Health Funding;** Increase funding to the Local Health Protection Grant from the current \$18.1 million to \$26 million (represent \$2/resident cost). The LHP Grant

supports essential public health funding of disease control, investigation, prevention, and assessments.

- **PCCHD Request – Health Impact Assessment (HIA):** Establish a state policy for requesting and conducting HIA, thus allowing for ensured integration of health concerns in policy decisions, legislative development, and collaboration by various stakeholders. In addition, LHD will be required to continue development of Community Health Needs Assessments and Improvement Plans as identified within 77 IL Admin Code 600.
- **PCCHD Request – Increased Funding and Legislation on Integrated Data Systems between Government, Healthcare, and Human Service Providers.** Integrated health systems allow for development of appropriate programming for diversion and housing.

#### Request for Position Support

- **Joint Request - Illinois Fiscal Concerns:** Support efforts that protect and enhance existing revenue base of local governments in the face of increasing pressure to use traditionally local revenues to bridge the State budget gap.
- **City / PCCHD Request - Walkable Urban Areas:** Funnel the local share of State Motor Fuel Taxes directly to municipalities or require IDOT to comply with local design guidelines and policies when rehabilitating infrastructure. **(PCCHD endorses through BOH HiAP)**
- **City Request - Preserve Home Rule Powers:** Support efforts to preserve home rule authority when drafting statewide legislations (i.e. cannabis, video gambling, etc.)
- **City Request - Abandoned Property Process:** Support change to Abandoned Property legislation to allow municipalities to petition the Court to declare vacant lots abandoned similar to the process for vacant abandoned structures.
- **City Request - Tax Buyer Fees:** Sponsor legislation to implement a non-refundable fee when taxes are purchased through the County tax auction that would be specifically earmarked for blight removal efforts related to demolition and lot maintenance for abandoned properties.
- **City Request - Blight Task Force Recommendations:** Support Illinois Housing Development Authority's recommendations from Blight Task Force related to allowing counties and municipalities to recoup costs related to Trustee property maintenance from auction proceeds.
- **County Request – Probation Funding:** Support supplemental appropriation to the Supreme Court budget to increase funding for probation services.
- **County Request - Medicaid Pending for Skilled Nursing Facilities:** Resolve backlog of CMS' Macon County office to comply with Federal Law and rule on Medicaid Pending requests with 45 days.
- **PCCHD Request – Tobacco21 (SB 2332):** Support raising the minimum age of tobacco sales from 18 to 21 years old to improve tobacco control and align with Tri-County Health Priorities. The bill was vetoed by Governor Rauner August 24<sup>th</sup>. The Senate passed a veto override on November 14<sup>th</sup> however the House did not have the 3/5 vote on November 28<sup>th</sup>.
- **PCCHD Request – Role of Public Health within Scope of Legalization of Marijuana:** Public Health along with medical associations continue to oppose legalization of marijuana however, understanding that legislation towards legalization is a probability, Public Health is advocating for supporting a healthy equity framework to address the legalization within Illinois.

## Capital Projects

- **Joint Request – Connected Autonomous Vehicle Technologies:** Support funding a digital copy of the street network and surroundings to support innovation strategies related to the region’s strength in Connected Autonomous Vehicle technologies. Its applications include enabling greater efficiencies in municipal public works and transportation.
- **City Request - West Main Street:** Support funding for the rehabilitation of West Main Street from Farmington Road to Adams Street (Districts 1 and 2).
- **City Request - Pioneer Parkway:** Support funding for the rehabilitation of Pioneer Parkway from Knoxville to Allen Rd (District 5).
- **City Request - Glen Avenue:** Support funding for the rehabilitation of Glen Avenue from University to War Memorial Drive (District 4).
- **City Request – Allen Road:** Support funding for the rehabilitation of Allen Road from War Memorial Drive to Willow Knolls (District 5).
- **City Request - Commercial Street:** Support the extension of Commercial Street from Oak to Persimmon (District 1)
- **City Request - Western Avenue from Farmington to Lincoln:** Support funding to reconstruct Western Avenue from Farmington Road to Lincoln (State Project – Districts 1 and 2).
- **City Request - Adams and Jefferson:** Support funding to convert Adams and Jefferson to two-way traffic from Bryan St. northeast to the convergence of the streets (District 1).
- **City Request - Knoxville Avenue:** Support funding for the reconstruction of Knoxville Avenue from Pennsylvania to McClure (State Project - District 2 and 3)
- **City Request - Sterling and War Memorial Intersection Reconstruction:** Support funding to reconstruct the intersection of Sterling and War Memorial (State Project District 4).
- **City Request - Pedestrian Infrastructure on State Routes:** Support funding for construction of pedestrian infrastructure on existing state routes, especially War Memorial/150 and Knoxville (State Routes Districts 2, 3, 4 and 5).
- **City Request - Warehouse District Parking Structure:** Support funding for a parking deck in the Warehouse District to accommodate the parking needs of new residential units (District 1)
- **City Request - New South Side Fire Station/Community Center:** Support funding for the construction of a new fire station and community center on the South Side of Peoria (District 1)
- **City Request - Ameren Substation relocation at Sterling:** Support funding to relocate the Ameren Substation from Sterling Avenue (District 4)
- **County Request – Lake Street Reconstruction:** Support funding to reconstruct Lake Street from Sheridan Road to Ill Rte 40 / Knoxville Avenue to an urban cross-section.
- **County Request – Gale Avenue Reconstruction:** Support funding to reconstruct Gale Avenue from Sterling Avenue to Forest Hill Avenue to an urban cross-section.
- **County Request – Sheridan Road Reconstruction:** Support funding to reconstruct Sheridan Road from Glen Avenue to Northmoor Road to an urban cross-section.

- **County Request - Maxwell / Middle Roads Reconstruction:** Support funding to reconstruct Maxwell Road from Ill Rte 116 to E.M. Dirksen Parkway, including rehabilitation of a bridge structure over unused Union Pacific RR right-of-way.
- **County Request – Willow Knolls Road Reconstruction:** Support funding to reconstruct Willow Knolls Road from Allen Road to University Street to an urban cross-section.
- **County Request – US Rte 24 Improvements:** Support IDOT funding to safety improvements in Peoria County for US Rte 24 from I-474 to Fulton County line.
- **PCCHD/County Request – Roof Replacement:** Support funding to replace the roofs of the Peoria County Juvenile Detention Center and Peoria City-County Health Department.
- **County Request – Jail HVAC Upgrades:** Support funding to replace HVAC systems at the County Jail.
- **County Request – Juvenile Detention & Health Department Roofs:** Support funding to replace both roofs at the Juvenile Detention Center and Peoria City-County Health Department.
- **County Request – Replace Fleet Garage and Salt Dome:** Support funding to replace the County Fleet Garage and adjacent Salt Dome.
- **County Request – Election Commission:** Support funding to acquire the land and building where the Peoria County Election Commission currently resides.
- **County Request – PCAPS Veterinary Surgical Suite:** Support funding for either an addition or remodeling of PCAPS to create a veterinary surgical suite for in-house spay-neuter procedures.
- **PCCHD Request – Support Funding that promotes HiAP approach towards Capital Projects;** incorporating Complete Streets projects to address multi-usage, increase walkability, and promote neighborhood safety.