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TO: Chris Setti  
City of Peoria, Illinois

FROM: Tim McAnarney  
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DATE: February 12, 2015

SUBJECT: January 2015 Monthly Report

- January 8, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- January 8, 2015: I participated in Pension phone conference call with approximately 15 other cities regarding Peoria Police and Fire Pension position.
- January 9, 2015: I advised City Manager Patrick Urich and State's Attorney Jerry Brady our strategy for getting garbage collection notices in the property tax bill.
- January 12, 2015: I met with Mayor Ardis and Councilman Spain and attended inaugural activities.
- January 13, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- January 14, 2015: I attended Legislative Session and Legislative inaugural events in the evening. I met with Legislative leaders.
- January 15, 2015: I met with Congresswoman Cheri Bustos and Mayor Ardis in Peoria.
- January 16, 2015: I attended Legislative meeting in Peoria.
- January 30, 2015: I developed River's Edge Historic Tax Credit strategy with the four (4) other cities.



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DATE: March 12, 2015

SUBJECT: February 2015 Monthly Report

- February 3, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- February 3, 2015: I met with State Senator LaHood to sponsor our Abandoned Land Bill (SB 1630).
- February 4, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- February 4, 2015: I met with State Senator Koehler to sponsor our Property Lien Bill (SB 1380).
- February 5, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- February 5, 2015: I helped draft SB 1380 with Attorney.
- February 5, 2015: I met with the Legislative Reference Bureau (LRB) to draft SB 1380.
- February 6, 2015: I met with Representative Moffitt's staff to draft HB 3350 (companion bill for SB 1630).
- February 11, 2015: I talked with Mayor Ardis and U.S. Congresswoman Bustos on our CSO problem.
- February 12, 2015: I participated in the 15 Mayors discussion on municipal pension reform.
- February 17, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- February 17, 2015: I met with other River City representatives on SB 1642 (Historic Tax Credits) to plan strategy for committee hearing.
- February 18, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- February 18, 2015: I attended Legislative reception for new legislators.
- February 18, 2015: I met with Democrat Legislative staff regarding SB 1380 and explained our needs.
- February 19, 2015: I attended meeting at the Illinois Municipal League (IML) with lobbyists from about 25 cities to set our legislative priorities.
- February 24, 2015: I had follow-up meeting with Senate Democrat staff on SB 1380.
- February 24, 2015: I was host of Radio WFMB political talk show for 3 hours regarding Illinois government and politics.

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- February 25, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- February 25, 2015: I talked with Realtors regarding SB 1630 trying to reach some compromise on bill.
- February 26, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- February 27, 2015: I met with GOP and Democrat House and Senate staff regarding our Historic Tax Credits (SB 1642).



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DATE: April 10, 2015

SUBJECT: March 2015 Monthly Report

- March 2, 2015: I set up meeting with Mayor Ardis, Alderman Weaver and Senate President Cullerton's Chief-of-Staff, Dave Gross, regarding our historic tax credits bill.
- March 2, 2015: I attended Representative Sandeck's fundraiser in Springfield.
- March 2, 2015: I attended Representative Larry Walsh's fundraiser in Springfield.
- March 2, 2015: I met with the Illinois Municipal League to get their support for SB1380.
- March 3, 2015: I set up meeting with Senator Koehler, the Illinois Realtors Association, Credit Union League and Illinois Bankers Association to work on compromise language for SB1380 (abandoned land lien bill).
- March 3, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- March 4, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- March 4, 2015: I attended House Legislative Reception at Arlington's Restaurant in Springfield.
- March 5, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- March 9, 2015: I met with Senate Staff to set up Revenue Committee Hearing on SB1642 (Historic Tax Credit Bill).
- March 9, 2015: I attended Representative Hoffman's fundraiser in Springfield.
- March 9, 2015: I attended Senator LaHood's fundraiser in Springfield.
- March 10, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- March 10, 2015: I met in Springfield with Patrick Urich and Chris Setti regarding our legislative agenda.
- March 11, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- March 11, 2015: I met with Illinois Realtors Association on SB1380 to try and reach a compromise.
- March 11, 2015: I helped Mayor Ardis prepare for Senate Committee hearing and worked with other city lobbyist and attended the Hearing on SB1642. It was testimony only.
- March 11, 2015: I attended Senate Legislators Reception at Augie's Restaurant in Springfield.

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- March 12, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- March 12, 2015: I met with Mayor Ardis, Alderman Spain and Patrick Urich in Peoria for legislative update.
- March 16, 2015: I attended Senator Brady's fundraiser in Springfield.
- March 17, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- March 17, 2015: I attended Legislative Reception for all members and staff in Springfield.
- March 18, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- March 19, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- March 19, 2015: I arranged a meeting with Senator Koehler and Illinois Realtors to go over SB1380. We informed the Realtors that we were moving the bill without their support. They refused the compromise that the Credit League had worked out.
- March 20, 2015: I met with the Governor's Budget Director on legislative and financial outlook for Session.
- March 23, 2015: I attended Senator McGuire's fundraiser in Springfield.
- March 23, 2015: I attended Representative Chapa LaVilla's fundraiser in Springfield.
- March 23, 2015: I met with Senate legal staff on SB1630 (irregular parcels – abandoned land bill). I met with Senator LaHood and we agreed to amend bill to only include irregular parcels and not the 3 violations portion of the bill.
- March 23, 2015: I met with Neil Flynn, lobbyist for the garbage collection industry regarding our bill for the inclusion of fees on the Property Tax Bill (SB1629).
- March 24, 2015: I attended Senate Judiciary Committee Hearing on SB1630. It passed.
- March 24, 2015: I met with Senate Koehler and Credit League to finalize amendment on SB1380.
- March 24, 2015: I worked with Patrick Urich to develop talking points for Senator Koehler and myself for Committee Hearing on SB1380.
- March 25, 2015: I testified before Senate Local Government Committee on SB1380. We fell one vote short and will recall at later date.
- March 25, 2015: I supported SB0728 in Local Government Committee. This bill eliminates the need to advertise in the newspaper after the demolition for disposing of property – only need to put on website. (This will save time and money for Peoria.)
- March 26, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- March 26, 2015: At Senator Koehler's direction, I met with Representative DeLuca to try and get our SB1380 language amended to HB2648. This bill has the same basic premise as our SB1380. We were unsuccessful in getting a committee extension,





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DATE: May 17, 2015

SUBJECT: April 2015 Monthly Report

- April 2, 2015: I met in Peoria with U.S. Congresswoman Cheri Bustos' new Chief-of-Staff. We discussed Peoria's economic development plans, IDOT needs and the CSO problem.
- April 8, 2015: I met with U.S. Senator Dick Durbin's Illinois Chief-of-Staff to discuss CSO and IDOT issues.
- April 9, 2015: I met with Illinois Senate Staff to get S.B. 1380's deadline extended (S.B. 1380 allows Peoria to apply a lien against a landlord's other properties if he/she fails to pay for the demolition of another property). Last year Peoria spent \$700,000 to demolish 90 properties. In one instance the City spent \$91,000 to demolish a building even though the owner had 50 other properties worth \$2.5 million. This bill will make slumlords pay for their responsibility.
- April 13, 2015: I attended a fundraiser for Assistant Majority Leader Lou Lang (paid myself).
- April 13, 2015: I worked with Illinois Senate Republican Legal Counsel on language for S.B. 1630 (irregular tracts of land could be sold in an easier manner. We worked out an agreement that removed their opposition.)
- April 14, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 14, 2015: I met with State Senator LaHood and the lobbyist for the Waste Disposal industry regarding S.B. 1629. (This bill allows Peoria – and only Peoria – to include the bill for garbage collection in the property tax bill. Peoria officials believe this could increase revenue by at least \$800,000.)
- April 15, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 16, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 16, 2015: I spoke before the Illinois Association of Housing Authorities at their State Conference in Decatur regarding public housing problems in Illinois.
- April 16, 2015: I lobbied for S.B. 0728 which passed out of Committee. (This bill says Peoria would not have to advertise in the newspaper if the property demolished is under \$5,000. This will save Peoria money.)

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- April 17, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 20, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 21, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 21, 2015: I attended private briefing meeting on Illinois utility and energy issues.
- April 21, 2015: I attended legislative reception for Illinois Special Olympics. Illinois Supreme Court Justice Ann Burke was honored.
- April 22, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 23, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 23, 2015: S.B. 1380 passed with just 30 votes. The Republicans called for a roll call verification and Senator Sandavol was not in his seat, so Senator Koehler moved to postpone the vote. By the time I could find Senator Sandavol and get him to the floor, it was too late. We had to wait for another vote to be called. I personally lobbied the entire Senate membership with emails, hand delivered position papers and one-on-one meetings. The Realtors Association was out in full force with all their lobbyists and had their local Realtors call all their Senators. Senator Bill Brady told me 20 Realtors called him. It got very intense and ugly, but we would succeed.
- April 23, 2015: S.B. 1629 passed the Senate and was sent to the House.
- April 27, 2015: I attended Senator Bill Brady's fundraiser (paid myself).
- April 27, 2015: I worked with Chris Setti to rewrite the briefing sheet for S.B. 1380. We had to answer charges by the Realtors that there wasn't enough protection for the slumlords.
- April 28, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 28, 2015: I worked with Representative Gordon to sponsor S.B. 1629 and S.B. 1630.
- April 29, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 29, 2015: I attended Illinois Municipal League Legislative Reception at the Governor's Mansion where I lobbied for our bills.
- April 30, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- April 30, 2015: I had a working lunch in Springfield with Mayor Ardis on our legislation.,



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DATE: June 16, 2015

SUBJECT: May 2015 Monthly Report

- May 4, 2015: I attended fundraiser for Representative Tim Butler. (Again, I go to these fundraisers at no cost to Peoria. These contacts are extremely valuable as I explain the issues that impact our City.)
- May 5, 2015: I met with Senator Koehler to go over our “roll call” on SB1380. (Roll Call involves identifying every Senator as either voting yes/no/undecided on SB1380. I personally lobbied all 59 Senators on this issue!)
- May 5, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 6, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 6, 2015: I attended the Illinois Manufacturers Legislative Reception and met with industry leaders regarding municipal needs.
- May 7, 2015: I attended Legislative Session and continued lobbying SB1380.
- May 8, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 11, 2015: I attended Speaker Madigan’s fundraiser.
- May 11, 2015: I attended Representative Costello’s fundraiser.
- May 11, 2015: I met with Representative House staff to rewrite SB1629 after I reached a compromise with the waste disposal industry. We added language which made them neutral and secured Republican support.
- May 12, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 12, 2015: I met with Senator Koehler and we identified our 30 votes who were on the floor that day and we successfully passed SB1380. Senator Koehler worked tirelessly to get this done. He was outstanding!
- May 12, 2015: Actively opposed HB695, 696, 677, 699 which were the property tax freeze bills.
- May 12, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 13, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 14, 2015: I worked the Senate Committee on SB1629 (Garbage Notice Bill) and it passed.
- May 14, 2015: I opposed SB917 which increased the ways a Fireman can claim disability. This bill will certainly dramatically increase Peoria’s cost.
- May 18, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.

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- May 18, 2015: I met with Representative Yingling on SB1380. He “took” the sponsorship of this bill before Representative Gordon could get it. He had no intention to call the bill. After explaining how important this was to Peoria and all Illinois cities, he still refused to let Representative Gordon have the bill.
- May 19, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 19, 2015: I met with Representative Gordon regarding Representative Yingling’s intentions to stop SB1380.
- May 20, 2015: I met with Senator Koehler and helped draft a letter to Speaker Madigan asking him to remove Representative Yingling from the bill and give it to Representative Gordon. Speaker Madigan agreed and Representative Gordon was given sponsorship.
- May 20, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 21, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 21, 2015: I set up meeting with Representative Gordon, Representative Yingling, the Illinois Relators Association and their attorney to try and reach agreement on SB1380. It was a good meeting but the Relators would not stop opposing our bill.
- May 22, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 25, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 25, 2015: I met with House Democratic Staff on SB1380 and SB1629. They voiced concerns from members on both bills. The Relators were extremely active in opposing SB1380 and pulled out all the stops to defeat this bill.
- May 26, 2015: I helped rewrite the fact sheet on SB1629 and highlighted this would help Peoria collect up to \$800,000 additional revenue.
- May 27, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 27, 2015: I testified before the House Cities and Villages Committee along with Representative Gordon on SB1629. The Committee believed that Peoria already had the authority to send the garbage collection notices in the property tax envelope under Home Rule. The bill was voted down and I promised to check with our City Attorney to see if this was legal. After discussions with Representatives and staff, I believe it is legal.
- May 27, 2015: I had dinner with House Majority Leader Barbara Flynn Currie, Majority Leader Dan Burke, Representative Cynthia Sotto and Representative Elizabeth Hernandez.
- May 28, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 28, 2015: I met with Representative Deluca, Chairman of the House Cities and Villages Committee, regarding SB1380. He recommended to Representative Gordon and I that we hold the bill and try to reach a compromise with the Realtors Association. We agreed.
- May 29, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 30, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 31, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- May 31, 2015: Working with Representative Gordon and Realtors to try and reach common ground on SB1380.



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DATE: July 13, 2015

SUBJECT: June 2015 Monthly Report

- June 2, 2015: I talked with Representative Gordon Booth about trying to set up a meeting with the Illinois Realtors Association to work on compromise language on SB1380. This bill currently is in the House Cities and Villages Committee. It passed the Senate with exactly 30 votes.
- June 4, 2015: I attended Representative DeLuca's fundraiser. DeLuca is Chairman of the Cities and Villages Committee. He was very helpful with our legislation and is an excellent Representative. He will be very important with all of our future legislation.
- June 5, 2015: I met with a Chicago developer regarding the River Front area. He has developed properties all over the Midwest.
- June 9, 2015: I attended the Legislative Session.
- June 9, 2015: I met with Legislators and staff to emphasize that we need the LGDF money – all of it!
- June 14, 2015: I attended Congresswoman Cheri Bustos' fundraiser in Springfield.
- June 16, 2015: I attended Legislative Session.
- June 16, 2015: I met with staff regarding the pension discussions. I emphasized Peoria needs help with its pensions.
- June 19, 2015: I attended Senator Napoleon Harris' fundraiser in Flosmore, Illinois.
- June 22, 2015: I had a conference with Patrick Urich explaining that I wanted to contact the members of the House Cities and Villages Committee to let them know that we agreed to move forward with placing the garbage bill in the property tax bill. (This was the intent of SB1629.)
- June 24, 2015: I attended Senator Forby's fundraiser at Rend Lake. He told me that he had met with Governor Rauner and that the Governor did want a Capital bill, but he wouldn't commit to putting any votes on it. We should get our wish list together in case there is a Capital bill – I do think there will be.





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DATE: August 9, 2015

SUBJECT: July 2015 Monthly Report

During the month of July, I attending the Legislative Session on July 7, 14, 15, 21 and 28. All of these session days had public hearings and votes that will reverberate through the 2016 election. When meeting with the Legislators and staff I continue to focus on the budget battle and Peoria's need to receive the full funding of the LGDF.

In private meetings with these officials, I also stress the need for municipal pension reform. Since I participated in all of Senator Link's pension meetings, I have credibility and access to the leaders who are actively trying to resolve this crisis. I had a meeting with Representatives Costello (D), Phelps (D), and Fortner (R) regarding the State pension crisis. Fortner is an expert on pensions and he contends the "crisis" is over and now it is a "serious" problem but one that will get easier to solve every year, because of the heavy ramping up of payments. It will ease significantly and in five years it will be manageable.

Mayor Ardis asked me to meet with Legislators and staff and register our opposition on S.B. 316, the property tax freeze bill. The Republican Senators are all going to vote present because the bill does not have additional language dealing with the Governor's "turn around agenda". The House isn't expected to pass the bill either.

I talked to Patrick Urich about our strategy on S.B. 1380 (anti slumlord bill). As you remember, it passed the Senate with just 30 votes. It still is in the House Committee of Cities and Villages. I will be meeting with Steve Olson, the head of the Illinois Credit Union League and a proponent of our bill, and the Realtors Association to see if we can get an amendment drafted that will help us pass the bill once the budget mess is resolved.

Mayor Ardis called me on July 29 to ask if I could get IDOT to consider painting the bridge yellow that comes into Peoria. Caterpillar is very excited about this possibility. On July 30, the Assistant Secretary of IDOT talked to Secretary Blankenhorn and they asked for more information. Mayor Ardis sent a picture of a similar bridge painted yellow in Cincinnati. IDOT is seriously considering our request. The Mayor and I will be meeting with Secretary Blankenhorn in the next few weeks to try and move this idea forward.

On July 30, I contacted Chris Setti to get copies of our Capital project requests for Peoria. I do believe there is a good chance for a Capital bill as part of the final budget negotiations. I am staying in contact with IDOT officials on our three requests.



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TO: Chris Setti  
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DATE: September 13, 2015

SUBJECT: August 2015 Monthly Report

During the month of August, I attended the Legislative Sessions every week with the House and Senate generally alternating weeks. These sessions had a lot of posturing but no real decisions were made. The staff and Legislators are getting extremely frustrated, but there really is no end in sight.

Originally when I met with these people, they were confident it would come together by Labor Day. But when I attended Senator Koehler's fundraiser, he was the first to say he thought it would be January. His rationale was then Speaker Madigan would only need a simple majority to pass anything. He could then keep his "targets" off tough votes.

I met with House and Senate staff on the property tax freeze, because there was a strong rumor that a deal had been cut. But nothing came of it.

On August 7, I met with Tom Lamont, who was appointed by President Obama to be on a commission whose task will be to downscale the military. There will be serious reductions in the National Guard, Reserves and regular bases. We need to be very proactive to protect Peoria.

On August 10, I met in Peoria with Chris Setti, the City Attorney, and an alderman regarding our bill (SB 1380) to collect money due from "slum lords". It was a good meeting and I was given a list of all the fines that were being collected or still owed from landholders in Peoria. Our bill is still in the City and Villages Committee, but nothing will be scheduled until the budget is addressed.

On August 20, I met in Peoria with the Mayor and State's Attorney. The Mayor asked that I follow up with the idea to try and stimulate residential development for low and moderate housing in economically depressed areas. The idea is to allow State and Federal money to be used for small projects that could not afford to pay the higher wage of government projects. I talked to the Governor's office and to some Legislators and staff. There is some interest and I will be continuing my discussions.

