Contractor Implicated in Chicago Area Bribery Case Surfaces in Federal Investigation of Dolton Mayor Tiffany Henyard

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Records show village paid hundreds of thousands of dollars to company whose officials were charged with bribing a county employee with jewelry, sports tickets, home improvement materials
An analysis of state data shows that 17% of all police officers hired by the Robbins Police Department since 2000 came on board directly after they were fired from previous law enforcement jobs, the most of any department in Illinois. Those hires include two cops who lied about what they saw the night Laquan McDonald was murdered.

City of Chicago Amps Up Its Legal
Battle Against ‘City’s Worst Landowner’

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The city is suing Northbrook resident Suzie B. Wilson and her company for more than $10 million, alleging they failed for years to clean up a hazardous West Englewood dump. Wilson was featured in a Illinois Answers Project/Block Club investigation last year.

311 Complaints and Fines Fail to
Solve Usual City Winter Woe —Too Many Snow-Packed Sidewalks

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As it considers pilot program to clear sidewalks, Chicago can look to Toronto, Syracuse where the cities do the plowing.

Dolton Mayor Backpedals From Cancer Charity Bearing Her Name Amid Increased Scrutiny

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Mayor Tiffany Henyard appeared on the Roland Martin webcast to disavow the foundation while new court records allege her boyfriend gets paid to serve on the board.

State Bars Dolton Mayor Tiffany Henyard’s Nonprofit From Fundraising

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The Illinois Answers Project previously reported that Henyard voted to steer thousands of dollars in taxpayer money to her foundation for a trip to Springfield.

City Targets Real Estate Empire, Owing Millions in Rat-Related Tickets, as ‘Extreme Scofflaws’

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Chicago attorneys want to merge several thousand court judgments, totaling more than $9.3 million, so they can be ‘pursued together in the most efficient manner possible’

Illinois Taxpayers Shell Out Hundreds of Millions as Prison Reform Lawsuits Grind On

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The settlement agreements have prompted major changes for incarcerated people who are deaf, mentally ill or under the care of the state prison’s beleaguered healthcare system, but advocates argue more needs to be done.

City Goes After Firms That Owe $15M in Rat-related Tickets After Illinois Answers/Block Club Investigation

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The debtor is a real estate empire that’s looking for a big payday by selling land for the Red Line expansion. But the city says not so fast.

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**Why Chicago is Losing the War on Rats**

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New York has a Rat Czar. Other cities are trying new trapping methods. But the “rattiest city in America” can’t keep up with skyrocketing rodent complaints, data shows.