

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN CITY OF PEORIA AND PEORIA COUNTY
PERTAINING TO UNPAID LIENS AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS**

This Intergovernmental Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "Agreement") is made as of this _____ day of _____, 2013 between the City of Peoria, Illinois, a municipal corporation, (hereinafter referred to as the "City") and the County of Peoria and the Peoria County Treasurer, (hereinafter referred to collectively as the "County").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the City and County have reached an Agreement pursuant to authority granted by Article VII, Section 10 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City and the Peoria County Board and Peoria County Treasurer have each determined that it is in the public interest and general welfare of the City and County to cooperate in the enforcement of City liens for ordinance violations by including those liens as special assessments on the tax bills issued by the Peoria County Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, no ordinances or laws prohibit this Intergovernmental Agreement or the transactions provided for herein; and

WHEREAS, the treatment of such City liens as special assessments is specifically allowed by 65 ILCS 5/9-2-4.5

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. This Agreement shall begin upon approval and execution by each of the parties and both parties shall have the right to terminate upon Ninety (90) days written notice to the other party.

2. All notices required by this Agreement shall be given at the following addresses either by hand delivery or by certified mail:

For the City:

City Manager
419 Fulton St.
Peoria, IL 61602

For the County:

County Treasurer
324 Main St., Suite G-15
Peoria, IL 61602

3. The City and the County agree that the City's special assessments issued prior to January 1, 2013 shall be included in the tax bills issued by the Peoria County Treasurer. Special assessments issuing after that date may be included on the tax bills under the routine procedure in the Property Tax Code. The City and County also agree that the Treasurer shall include unpaid liens described in 65 ILCS 5/9-2-4.5 as special assessments on the tax bills issued by the Peoria County Treasurer each year.
4. The City shall notify the Peoria County Treasurer of all properties for which such liens and special assessments shall be collected no later than March 1st of each year. Notification regarding liens shall include, at a minimum, the PIN and street address of the parcel, the amount of the lien, any additional costs attributable to the lien which are properly charged to the property owner, and the name and mailing address of the owner of the parcel. Notification regarding other special assessments shall be given separately but shall include the same categories of information. Notification must be in an electronic format compatible with the software utilized by the Treasurer. The proper format for the software currently utilized is unformatted tab delimited .txt files. The County is responsible for informing the City in any change in formatting needed in the future. Failure to provide timely and compatible notification to the

Treasurer regarding a particular parcel may prevent the lien for that parcel from being included in the tax bill for that year.

5. At the time of notification to the County of the parcels for each year's tax bills, the City shall pay the County \$25 per parcel for the processing of these liens and special assessments. The Peoria County Treasurer will invoice the City for the list of parcels for which liens or special assessments will be placed on the tax bill. Payment shall be made within 30 days of the invoice. The \$25 fee may be included as a portion of the total amount to be billed by the Treasurer to the property owner.
6. The City shall be billed for all liens filed in the Recorder's Office each year and such amounts shall be included in the amounts billed to the property owners on their tax bills. The City shall not have to pay such fees until the following year but the fees shall be paid the following year regardless of whether the taxpayer and/or a tax buyer have paid amounts toward those fees.
7. To ensure that no properties are taxed for paid liens, the City shall prepare and file with the Recorder of Deeds releases of liens for each parcel for which the lien is paid. These releases of liens shall be filed within 30 days of the lien being paid in full. The fee for filing the release of lien shall be paid in the ordinary course of business.
8. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties and no subsequent change or modification shall be effective unless reduced to writing and signed by both parties. The parties agree to meet periodically, no less frequent than annually, to review performance under this agreement and to resolve any issues that may arise.

CITY OF PEORIA, ILLINOIS,
a municipal corporation

By _____
Its _____

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED:

Its Corporation Counsel

COUNTY OF PEORIA,
a body politic and corporate

By _____
Its _____

ATTEST:

County Clerk

PEORIA COUNTY TREASURER
