

Grosse Pointe Park State of the Infrastructure Statement July 2026

The GPP Infrastructure Committee set targets for informing the community with an annual summary of our infrastructure projects, planned budget, prioritization of short- and long-term goals and insight into our systems.

2026 In Review (to Date)

Fiscal year 2026 has seen ongoing capital investment into the core infrastructure of Grosse Pointe Park. The largest impact on residents is the continued improvement and upgrade of city-wide water service as well as sewer system effectiveness.

2025-2026 Projected			
<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditures</u>	
Millage Revenue	\$ 2,075,000.00	Sewer Cleaning/Scoping	\$ 198,125.00
Interest and Penalties	\$ 5,000.00	Engineering CCTV Cleaning	\$ 13,399.00
Millage Fund Balance Used	\$ 499,991.00	Basic Engineering	\$ 28,099.00
	\$ 2,579,991.00	Wm Engineering	\$ 55,514.00
		* Community Promotion - TMF Lead Line Ver.	\$ 198.00
		* TMF Lead Line Verification	\$ 101,767.00
		EERV Project	\$ 278.00
		* Jefferson Separation	\$ 200,000.00
*the millage fund balance is bolstered through grant acquisition		WM Beaconsfield: Essex to Jefferson	\$ 2,045,415.00
the expenditure for TMF Line Verification was entirely paid for with		WM Bedford: to Grand Marais	\$ 19,596.00
grant dollars as was the balance of the Jefferson Separation			\$ 2,662,391.00
		Millage Fund Balance Left Over	\$ 342,780.00

**this spreadsheet reflects Water Sewer millage capital expenditures only and is subject to change*

Capital Improvement Plan:

Grosse Pointe Park City Council has been guided by the adopted 6-year Capital Improvement Plan. This allows for predictability, transparency and accountability to the residents through long-term proactive planning as well as broadening regional and government support opportunities. The district map planning continues to give residents clarity on upcoming work and long-term scheduling.

The past year and upcoming year have seen numerous projects coming in below projected budgeted amounts, not only has this allowed us to adhere to our planned schedule, but in the case of sewer relining, we have been able to target even greater scopes of work.

Water/Sewer:

Substantial **Water Main** runs were replaced this year, the run on Beaconsfield from Jefferson to Essex, Mack Avenue from Berkshire to Buckingham, Mack Ave from 3 mile to Audobon and the main under Patterson pumping coupled with the installation of a loop. The Charlevoix Junction underneath the streetscape project was also added to the scope of work. This series of runs not only targeted older mains prone to breaking, sections of town that represented substantial density of lead service lines but all are also critical arteries of water. Building out these lines is resulting in the broader GPP network of water realizing improved flow and circulation.

This period saw **710 lead line inspections conducted, with 59 lead service lines changed out.**

Sewer Cleaning Operations efforts scaled up substantially this year, resulting in the removal of over 400 cubic yards of debris across the community. This initiative combined routine preventative maintenance with critical site preparation for the upcoming sewer relining program. For scale, this volume represents more than 27 fully loaded dump trucks of cleared debris.

Jefferson Separation Project (from Wayburn to Lakepointe) was fully completed, representing even more drying of our sewer system. Not only was this project made possible through the philanthropic support of the URIF in support of the Schaap Center, but also an allotted grant reimbursement from the state supporting infrastructure vis a vis the Schaap center effectively eliminated direct GPP taxpayer contribution to this project.

Water Meter Replacement program is underway with completion expected before end of the calendar year. This will not only replace 75% of old obsolete meters but will replace them with modern automated radio read meters, older meters will also receive reader upgrades. This will allow for real time up to date remote reading of water usage, not only providing residents accurate instant reads but can also be utilized to identify and isolate leaks. This effort will greatly streamline DPW water department allowing for more efficient resource allocation and also will address the substantial water losses that were identified in the water reliability survey, once fully implemented this will yield significant savings to the city and residents.

Extreme Emergency Relief Valve is fully operational and fortunately was never called into service, but annual service and preparation are conducted, and it is ready to protect residents.

Roads, Alleyways, Sidewalks, Streetscapes

822 squares of sidewalk were replaced in District 2 this fiscal year.

The **Charlevoix streetscape program construction is underway**, with a targeted completion of early 4th quarter. This project will include adding curb bump outs, sustainable plantings, art, narrowing roadway/traffic congestion and greater pedestrian lanes and space.

Resurfacing of Charlevoix between Berkshire to Three Mile was completed.

Windmill Pointe Rear Park was resurfaced.

2026-27 Goals

This year will see the continuation of long-term upgrades to water service, and the ramp up of major relining and upgrading of our sewer systems.

Regional water utilities have been increasing prices for municipalities throughout southeastern Michigan. Grosse Pointe Park, alongside neighboring communities, has pushed back to mitigate these increases with varying degrees of success. However, our governing philosophy remains focused on where we have direct control: reducing water loss. Through physical infrastructure enhancements and vastly improved data logging and analysis, we aim to deliver ongoing, compounding savings back to our residents.

<u>2026-2027 Requested</u>			
<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenditures</u>	
Millage Revenue	\$ 2,137,000.00	Sewer Cleaning/Scoping	\$ 250,000.00
Interest and Penalties	\$ 2,400.00	Basic Engineering	\$ 130,000.00
Millage Fund Balance Used	\$ (4,400.00)	Wm Engineering	\$ 280,000.00
	\$ 2,135,000.00	WM Bedford: to Grand Marais	\$ 1,425,000.00
		Root Control Services	\$ 50,000.00
			\$ 2,135,000.00
		Millage Fund Balance Left Over (Projected)	\$ 346,780.00

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Water/Sewer:

Water Meter Replacement is scheduled to be completed by 4th quarter of 2026. In addition to the efficiency gains for public works, the utility and benefits to residents, the meter changes will dramatically improve our ability to compile and analyze data regarding water usage and loss. By the first quarter of 2027 with accurate real-time city-wide data coming in we can continue to build out our modeling. This information will inform and improve our capital improvement planning, and it will help us to review and potentially modify and upgrade how our water billing serves residents. We anticipate this series of improvements will manifest in long term ongoing savings to the city and residents.

Sewer Relining is underway, scoping and initial sewer treatments and preparation are being conducted. The cure in place relining program is a far more efficient and cost-effective way to improve the lifespan of sewers without necessitating a full excavation. This allows us to upgrade substantially more total lineal feet of sewer, and this project came in substantially under budget, allowing for even greater scope of work to be conducted. This program will be targeting the highest priority sewer infrastructure and covering sewer runs and manholes across the entire city, with expected repairs occurring under every street in the city, the program is expected to be completed by June of 2027.

Main & Lead Line Replacements of our water network remains a cornerstone annual focus, with more than \$1.7 million budgeted for the upcoming year. This dedicated capital allocation will fund the phased replacement of aging water mains to reduce costly watered-water loss, while advancing our proactive lead service line replacement initiative.

Roads, Alleyways, Sidewalks, Streetscapes

Sidewalk Replacement will be moving on to district 3 this upcoming year there are currently 680 squares marked.

Charlevoix Streetscape with completion targeted for early in the fourth quarter. This transformative project will enhance the corridor with curb bump-outs, sustainable landscaping, public art, expanded pedestrian space, and traffic-calming measures that improve both safety and walkability.

Pavement Maintenance is ongoing even with the streetscape is the primary focus, crews will execute targeted pavement repairs throughout the community to address localized deterioration and preserve overall road quality.

Energy and Sustainability

Resource Conservation: The city anticipates significant water conservation from infrastructure upgrades. This benefit is twofold: financial savings and the mitigation of treated water lost to pipeline ruptures. Furthermore, the upgraded meter system allows residents to monitor usage for leak detection via a smartphone app. Some homeowners' insurance carriers may also offer incentives based on these safety upgrades and real time monitoring ability.

Residential Waste Collection: The City is currently soliciting bids for residential waste collection services, prioritizing a provider that delivers a higher level of service. The successful bidder will be expected to provide clear public guidance on recycling practices. Currently, too many recyclable materials are diverted to landfills due to improper sorting. Through better communication and public education, the City aims to minimize contamination and maximize our landfill diversion rates.