



# CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

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## NOTICE

### **Please Keep for Future Reference**

March 23, 2023

Dear East Grand Rapids Resident/Property Owner:

The City of East Grand Rapids mill and overlay street projects for the 2023 season are tentatively expected to commence in April. Street projects are divided into three phases to minimize overall community impact, with each phase being completed before the next phase begins regarding milling out the road surface and paving. Phasing order, estimated timeframes, and project information will be posted and regularly updated to keep residents informed. Please visit the city homepage at [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org) and click “construction updates” under the “quick links” section.

### **Project Locations:**

#### **East Grand Rapids Only:**

- Englewood Drive - Tenway Drive to Whitfield Road
- Gorham Drive – Englewood Drive to City Limits
- Gracewood Drive/Lakewood Drive – Reeds Lake Boulevard to Pioneer Club Road\*\*Coordinated with water main rehabilitation in spring.
- Heather Street – Laurel Avenue to Eastlawn Road
- Heather Court – Heather Street to Cul-de Sac
- Hodenpyl Drive – Reeds Lake Boulevard to Rexford Drive
- Keneberry Way - Kenesaw Drive to Kenesaw Drive
- Lakeside Drive – Hall Street to Burchard Street
- Martin Luther King Junior Street – Plymouth Road to City Limits
- Pincrest Avenue – Elmwood Drive to Hall Street
- Ross Court – Lake Drive to End
- Stratford Court – Heather Street to Cul-de-Sac
- Sherman Street-Plymouth Road to Wealthy Street/Laurel Avenue triangle

#### **Joint Project Locations:**

- Robinson Road – West City Limit to Plymouth Road (East Grand Rapids-Grand Rapids Project)
- Reeds Lake Boulevard-Manhattan Road to East City Limit and continuing into Grand Rapids Township (East Grand Rapids-Kent County Road Commission)

**Mill/overlay is a road rehabilitation process that extends the road life and prevents costlier reconstruction. During construction, the contractors will:**

- Upgrade sidewalks and ramps to be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act where needed.
- Use a milling machine to remove and grind the road surface with a conveyor system loading debris into trucks-milling is noisy but typically only lasts one day per phase.
- Pave the road with one or more layers of asphalt.
- Adjust manholes to be level with the road.
- Restore disturbed areas with topsoil and grass seed.

#### **Important Project Information:**

- Grind and resurface projects will take place mid-April through the end of June with project completion expected in July.

- In advance or during the construction process Department of Public Works employees and contractors inventory water service locations and materials by hydro excavating several feet around each water service line at the shut-off box/valve commonly located in the public right-of-way. Restorations will be completed with the overall project. Service lines identified as lead will be replaced by the Department of Public Works or contractor as is practicable.
- Construction may take place between the hours of 7am-9pm Monday through Saturday as allowed by City Ordinance, however most construction is anticipated to take place between the hours of 7am-6pm Monday through Friday.
- Construction progress may be constrained by weather, availability of materials, scheduling conflicts and/or unforeseen emergencies. With these variables it is not possible to give exact time frames.
- Temporary on-street parking restrictions will be in place when work occurs. Please adhere to any signage postings for parking restrictions.
- In advance of milling (removal) of asphalt, spot curb removals and replacements will take place along with lowering utility structures in the street.
- During milling (removal) and paving of the street surface there will be limited full closures for your street. During other times the contractor will work with residents in the impacted area to allow for local ingress/egress traffic and maintain access to driveways. Motorists who are not going to or leaving a destination within the construction area are prohibited and must utilize alternative routes.
- The contractor will maintain the street to always allow for emergency vehicle access.
- Yard waste service will continue in the impacted area of construction in accordance with the regular yard waste schedule. Residents impacted by street construction must place yard waste bags and containers between the sidewalk and roadway and only the night before scheduled pick up so that these items do not interfere with construction.
- Private waste/recycling haulers licensed with the city have been contacted in advance of the project so they can make any adjustments if needed.
- Mail/delivery service. The local post office has been contacted to inform them of the projects so they can make any adjustments if needed. Other delivery services should be able to access homes except for limited times during milling and paving operations.
- Any out-lawn restorations in the impacted project area will be completed at the end of the project by the contractor. A care guide for restorations is available via the construction updates web page.
- Project limits have been video recorded in advance of the project to verify existing area conditions before construction begins.
- If you have an irrigation system that is placed in the right of way (between the sidewalk and curb), please mark it in advance with stakes or flags labeled "irrigation" to help prevent damage if any spot curb replacement takes place adjacent to your property. The contractor will make necessary repairs if an irrigation system is damaged at the end of the project.
- Storm sewer connections out into the street that are proximate and feasible to connect to the existing storm sewer system will be connected by the contractor to eliminate storm water discharges into the street. Other preexisting storm discharges may qualify for drywell system installation. City staff will contact residents with drywell information and agreements on a case-by-case basis if this option is viable. If any residents have a storm water discharge in their yard and it is desired to connect it to the storm sewer system in the street, this would be the time to coordinate such connections to the storm sewer system if possible. Any new connections may be made if a right-of-way permit is completed and approved. Residents are responsible for this connection to the storm sewer. Work must be coordinated with the city contractor. Residents are responsible for any piping connections to the city storm sewer for maintenance and repairs once they are connected. Permits are available online or at the Public Works Admin/Engineering counter in the lower level of City Hall.
- If you have had your private sanitary sewer lateral inspected and it needs to be replaced to the City owned sanitary sewer main, it is recommended that residents/property owners do so in advance of construction since the City will be repaving the road surface. This will save residents/property owners expensive restoration paving costs for street restoration. Utility Permits may be picked up at the Public Works Admin/Engineering counter in the lower level of City Hall or are available online via the "Documents/Forms" icon on the city homepage. For additional utility information please view the reverse side of your monthly water/sewer bill.

### **How can I receive updates about construction in my neighborhood or throughout the city?**

If you would like to receive periodic updates on the construction projects, please visit the construction page and/or subscribe to the city's e-newsletter by visiting [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org)

The city appreciates your patience and understanding as important infrastructure is replaced and rehabilitated that will serve the community for the future. Questions may be directed to the city by calling the Department of Public Works at 616-940-4817.

Respectfully- East Grand Rapids Department of Public Works