City of Rochester Hills Pathway Millage

City Council Presentation

July 7, 2025

Pathway Millage / Language

- Pathway Millage / Voter Approved 11/07/2006
- Up to 0.1858 mill (limited to 0.1715 mill by Headlee rollback) for twenty (20) years through FY 2026 to establish, construct, maintain, and repair pathways and surfaces for use by bicycles, non-motorized vehicles, and pedestrians along main, arterial, and collector roads, on the Clinton River Trail, and to create linkages to pathways and schools in the City.
 - Pathway Millage is secure through FY 2026

Pathway Operating Fund

- 214 PW Operating Fund Revenues:
 - \$850,000 = 0.1715 Mill
 - \$25,000 = Other PW Operating Revenue
 - \$875,000 = Projected FY 2026 PW Operating Total Revenue

- 214 PW Operating Fund Expenditures:
 - \$475,000 = Annual Pathway Operations & Maintenance
 - \$400,000 = Transfer-Out to 403 PW Construction Fund *
 - \$875,000 = Projected FY 2026 PW Operating Total Expenditures
- * = Any funding available after funding PW Operations is transferred-out to
 PW Construction Fund

Pathway Construction Fund

- 403 PW Construction Fund Revenues:
 - \$400,000 = Transfer-In from 214 PW Operating Fund
 - \$50,000 = Other PW Construction Revenue
 - \$450,000 = Projected FY 2026 PW Construction Total Revenue

403 – PW Construction Fund Expenditures:

- \$400,000 = PW Rehabilitation Program
- \$50,000 = Other PW Segments
- \$450,000 = Projected FY 2026 PW Construction Total Expenditures

Pathway Rehabilitation Program

403 – PW Construction Fund Expenditures:

- FY 2025 = South Boulevard Pathway (Crooks Livernois)
 - 1-Mile PW Segment = ~ \$400,000 (actual)
- Citywide Pathway System = 100-miles
- Current Level of Service = 1-Mile / Year
 - ~ 100-years to rehabilitate entire City Pathway system
 - ~ \$400,000 per year
- Recommended Level of Service = 5-Miles / Year *
 - ~ 20-years to rehabilitate entire City Pathway system *
 - ~ \$2,000,000 per year
- Per DPS: Pathway segment lifespan ~ 20-years before significant rehabilitation is required

Pathway Rehabilitation Potential Funding

- 1) 0.1715 Mill = \$875,000
 - Current Pathway Millage Funding Level
 - Generates ~ \$400,000 per year for PW Rehabilitation Program
- 2) 0.3285 Mill = \$1,625,000 *
 - * = Potential Additional Pathway Millage Funding Level
 - Generates ~ \$1,625,000 per year for PW Rehabilitation Program
- 3) 0.5000 Mill = \$2,500,000 *
 - * = Potential Total Pathway Millage Funding Level
 - Generates ~ \$475,000 per year for PW Operations & Maintenance
 - Generates ~ \$2,025,000 per year for PW Rehabilitation Program
 - Capacity to support PW Safety Enhancements & PW Gaps

Pathway Millage Ballot Options / Key Dates

- Current Pathway Millage in place through FY 2026
 - New PW Millage must be approved by November 2026 to go into effect beginning in FY 2027+
- July 21, 2025
 - Last date for Rochester Hills City Council to approve Ballot language for November 2025 General Election
- July 2026
 - Last date for Rochester Hills City Council to approve Ballot language for November 2026 General Election
 - Last chance to renew PW Millage

Pathway Millage Renewal

Discussion & Direction