



# City of Rochester Hills Pathway Millage

Public Safety & Infrastructure Technical Review Committee

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# 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

# 214 – 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*

# 403 – 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 Projects
- **\$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

# Option #1 = PW Millage Renew + Act 51

**1) 0.1715 Mill = \$875,000**

- Current Pathway Millage Funding Level
- Generates ~ \$475,000 per year for PW Operations & Maintenance
- Generates ~ \$400,000 per year for PW Rehabilitation Program

**2) + Act 51 Allocation = \$1,625,000 \***

- \* = +\$2.0M per year anticipated increase to Major Road Fund Act 51 Revenue per new State Legislation beginning in FY 2027
- Generates ~ \$1,625,000 per year for PW Rehabilitation Program

**3) Current Millage + Act 51 = \$2,500,000 \***

- Generates ~ \$2,025,000 per year for PW Rehabilitation Program
- Capacity to support PW Safety Enhancements & PW Gaps

# Option #2 = PW Millage Increase

**1) 0.1715 Mill = \$875,000**

- Current Pathway Millage Funding Level
- Generates ~ \$475,000 per year for PW Operations & Maintenance
- Generates ~ \$400,000 per year for PW Rehabilitation Program

**2) + 0.3285 Mill = \$1,625,000 \***

- \* = Potential Increase in Pathway Millage 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 ~ \$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 authorized through FY 2026
  - New PW Millage must be approved by November 2026 to go into effect beginning in FY 2027+
- **April 13, 2026**
  - Last date for Rochester Hills City Council to approve Ballot language for **August 4, 2026 Primary Election**
    - Preferred Election Date to include in FY 2027 Proposed Budget Process
- **July 13, 2026**
  - Last date for Rochester Hills City Council to approve Ballot language for **November 3, 2026 General Election**
    - Last chance to renew PW Millage

# Pathway Millage Ballot Options

- **Option #1: Pathway Millage Renewal + Act 51 Allocation:**

- 1-Miles / Year = Existing Pathway Millage = 0.1715 mill

- \$0.4M Annual Pathway Rehabilitation Program

- 4-Miles / Year = Act 51 Allocation

- \$1.6M Annual Pathway Rehabilitation Program

- **Option #2: Pathway Millage Increase:**

- (a) 5-Miles / Year = 20-Year Replacement Cycle = 0.5000 mill

- \$2.0M Annual Pathway Rehabilitation Program

- (b) 4-Miles / Year = 25-Year Replacement Cycle = 0.4200 mill

- \$1.6M Annual Pathway Rehabilitation Program

# Pathway Millage Ballot Options

- **Option #1: Pathway Millage Renewal + Act 51 Allocation:**

- Shall the City of Rochester Hills renew and continue to levy 0.1715 mill (\$0.1715 per \$1,000 of taxable value) 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, **Paint Creek Trail**, and to create linkages to pathways and schools in the City for ten (10) years, beginning in 2026 (for fiscal year 2027) and continuing through 2035 (for fiscal year 2036), which will provide an estimated revenue of \$864,920 if levied in the first year of such levy.

# Pathway Millage Ballot Options

- **Option #2a: Pathway Millage Increase @ 0.5000 mill:**
  - Shall the City of Rochester Hills levy 0.5000 mill (\$0.5000 per \$1,000 of taxable value) 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, **Paint Creek Trail**, and to create linkages to pathways and schools in the City for ten (10) years, beginning in 2026 (for fiscal year 2027) and continuing through 2035 (for fiscal year 2036), which will provide an estimated revenue of \$2,521,640 if levied in the first year of such levy.

# Pathway Millage Ballot Options

- **Option #2b: Pathway Millage Increase @ 0.4200 mill:**
  - Shall the City of Rochester Hills levy 0.4200 mill (\$0.4200 per \$1,000 of taxable value) 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, **Paint Creek Trail**, and to create linkages to pathways and schools in the City for ten (10) years, beginning in 2026 (for fiscal year 2027) and continuing through 2035 (for fiscal year 2036), which will provide an estimated revenue of \$2,017,310 if levied in the first year of such levy.