CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS AGENDA ACTION REQUEST

DATE: January 14, 2025

TO: Mayor David LaGrand & City Commissioners

Committee Fiscal Committee

Liaison: Molly Clarin, Chief Financial Officer

FROM: Max Frantz, City Comptroller

SUBJECT: Small Claims Report – 4th Quarter 2024

In the fourth quarter (October-December) of 2024 the city paid out a total of 8 small claims totaling an amount of \$38,936.22. A summary of the claims by category is shown below. Detail for each individual claim is included on the following page ranked by incident date (oldest to newest).

Small Claims October-December 4th Qtr. 2025								
Category	# of Claims	Amount Paid						
Refuse	1	\$843.34						
Traffic Safety	1	289.53 1,464.00						
Sewer	2							
Forestry	2	2,713.00 33,626.35						
Snowplow	2							
Total	8	\$38,936.22						

Small Claims 4th Quarter 2024

October 1 - December 31

Incident Date	Category	Claimant	Loc.	A	mount Paid	Description
1/12/2024	Snowplow	Kevin Brant	GR	\$	3,829.76	Snowplow hit parked vehicle; vehicle was totalled in accident; owner had multiple expenses.
1/12/2024	Snowplow	Progressive Insurance A/S/O Kevin Brant	GR	\$	29,796.59	Snowplow hit parked vehicle; vehicle was totalled in accident.
5/12/2024	Sewer	Oliver Hoppe	GR	\$	1,014.00	Damage to motorcycle from gravel on road in construction area controlled by City.
5/15/2024	Refuse	Tyler Merkel	GR	\$	843.34	Refuse truck backed into resident's mailbox.
8/4/2024	Forestry	Garrett Vansligtenhorst	GR	\$	1,713.00	Damage to roof, fence, playhouse, siding from fallen tree due to unmaintained City property.
8/12/2024	Traffic Safety	Mary McGuire	GR	\$	289.53	Personal injury from sidewalk deviation; motorize chair hit an elevation confirmed to exceed +2".
8/13/2024	Forestry	Alecia Riehle	GR	\$	1,000.00	Tree with root damage fell on vehicle; vehicle was totalled.
8/13/2024	Sewer	Daniel Arizola	GR	\$	450.00	Damaged sanitary lines due to not marking sanitary lateral properly.