



Fruitwood (Covell to Woodcrest) Reconstruction

«AddressBlock»

The City of Grand Rapids will reconstruct the street listed above this construction season. You are invited to a meeting to learn more about the work to be completed, the schedule, and access during construction. You received this letter because you are within 350 feet of the project.

Virtual Construction Preparation Meeting

Date & Time: Thursday, June 12, 2025, from 6 to 7 p.m.

We recommend using a computer or smartphone to join this meeting if you are able. You may call the number below to join the meeting via phone only, but you will not be able to see the presentation.

Contact Information
311 or 616-456-3000
communityengagement@grcity.us
grandrapidsmi.gov/roadconstruction

Tentative Construction Schedule
June 23 – end of August 2025

To register for this meeting:

1. Visit grandrapidsmi.gov/roadconstruction and search for *Fruitwood*.
2. Scan the QR code to the right with your smartphone camera.



To join via telephone (audio only):

1. Please call: 1-616-258-6791
2. When prompted, enter the access code *913 518 718#*.

Construction Information

Street Reconstruction

- The street's full width will be reconstructed.
- The project will move curbs in by one foot on each side of the street to narrow the street.

Access and Parking

- The street will be closed to through traffic with resident and emergency vehicle access maintained.
- No parking will be allowed on the street during construction hours.

Driveways and Sidewalks

- Some driveway approaches and sidewalk will be replaced. Affected residents will not have access to their driveways for 5-7 days while the work is completed and the concrete cures. The contractor will coordinate with those affected in advance.
- Driveway access may not be available when road work is directly in front of a driveway.

Parkways

- Sidewalk, curb, and drive approach work may disturb the parkway (the area between the curb and sidewalk). Should this happen, the area will be restored with grass. Please water these areas after the project is done to help the grass establish.

- If there are plants, landscaping, etc. in the parkway you want to save, please move them prior to the start of construction.
- If you have a sprinkler system, please mark the sprinkler heads with flags, sticks, or spray paint. Sprinklers broken during construction will be repaired.

Water Main

- The water main, which provides water to properties along the street, will be replaced.
- Typically, there will be two water shutdowns: once when the new main is placed in service (4 to 8 hours long) and another to connect individual water services for each property to the new main (2 to 4 hours long). There may be a third shut down to complete the final main switch. The contractor will provide notice 24 hours in advance.
- Occasionally, a water main may accidentally break during construction. If this should happen, you may not be notified, but repairs will be made as quickly as possible to restore your service.
- Following a water shutdown, calcified deposits may be dislodged by water pressure once the system is turned back on. Please run outside faucets first and then the faucets in all sinks to clear the lines. If some faucets are running slowly, it may be necessary to check the screens and clean off any debris.

Storm Sewer

The street's storm sewer system, which handles stormwater, will be upgraded. Stormwater is rainwater or water from melting snow or ice. The stormwater system includes catch basins (the grates found periodically along curbs) that collect the water from the street and carry it into a main line.

Other Items

- Recycling and refuse service will be maintained but bins must be placed in their normal spots the night before collection day. Failing to do so may result in a missed collection. If needed, the contractor will move the bins to where they can be emptied and return them.
- Access for mail and other delivery services will be maintained.
- Typical construction hours are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Occasionally, work may be done on Sunday. Work hours are dependent on weather and the contractor's schedule.