The City's Capital Improvement Plan is developed by the City based upon critical community needs as well as citizen concerns expressed in regular surveys.

Red Flag - High Need:

Sewer Rehabilitation	**Following video camera survey of collection lines we're starting to prioritize rehabilitiation including Manholes and Sewer Main lining and are dedicating funds for these activities **Funds are currently lacking for 2026-2027 Budget Year - will likely to continue focus on Man Holes.**
Civil Defense Siren Improvements	**Creating a plan to replace two sirens with larger coverage area to cover all developed areas within the ETJ. One siren replaced in 2024-25. Another planned for 2026-27.**
Repair Pool Leak	**COMPLETE.**
*** Playground Equipment Updates - including accessible features**	**Eli Porter Memorial Project - COMPLETE** ****Park on Clark Street Project - Awarded Rural Community Recovery Program Grant - 2025-2026 - to be Complete by September 30, 2026.**
Water and Sewer Extensions	**Need to begin planning for completion of water transmission lines from Fairgrounds Road to 11th and Fairview and Well #5 site.**
*** Assurance of safe drinking water**	**New Well online in 2020; however, wells 2 and 3 collapsed and are decommissioned.** **Mayor recommends planning for new well in deeper water formation further south.**

Orange Flag - Moderate to High Need:

*** Recreational Walking/Running Trails**	****Need to plan for Link between Fuller Park and 11th and State Street.** Phase 1, Fuller Park and Fairgrounds Loop Completed in 2018. Phase 2, linking Clark Park Neighborhood and Sports Complex - COMPLETE - 2026.
*** Campground Expansion**	Added to Capital Improvement Plan in 2016. 20 sites with Water and Electricity added in FY '21-22. ***Sewer to be extended following the sewer main project through South Park Subdivision - 2027-28 ?**
*** Irrigation System for Sludge Application**	Project would be more efficient method of application, could rotate crops and also potentially apply compost from grass pile on crop ground ourselves, rather than pay to have it hauled away. No Funds Available ***Target for FY '27-28**
*** Sports Complex Improvements**	*Based on 2019 input from parents and coaches. **Albion Baseball/Softball - Cardinal Cage Project - nearing completion.** Future Projects subject to funding: Replace aged light poles, relocate transformers, additional fencing, drainage improvements, new concession stand. **Target for '27 and beyond.**

Yellow Flag - Moderate Need:

*** General Street Conditions/Maintenance**	Annual Maintenance Program included in O&M Budget (Crack sealing every year. Significant Microsurfacing occurred 2017 & 2024) **ON GOING**
Street Paving - 11th to Fuller and Park View Streets	Mayor Jarecki's "Bucket-List" Item
*** C-2 - Commercial Alley Paving**	Prioritizing several commercial alleys a year to be funded by sales tax funds. **ON GOING**
*** Trees in Public Spaces**	Added to Parks Operation & Maintenance Budget
*** Storm Water Drainage Improvements**	**Phases I thru III Complete - 2016-2020** Necessity of future phases to be determined

City of Albion Capital Improvement Plan - by Department		
Street Department		
Funds Available for Capital Projects		
$41,520		Cash Balance/Budget Suplus - 9/30/2026
$9,000		Sale of Surplus Property
$38,065		Excess Highway Allocation and Motor Vehicle Taxes/Fees
$73,000		Sales Tax for Street Improvements
$25,000		2026-2027 Transfer in from Street Equipment Reserve
	$186,585	**Total Estimated Resources Available for Street Department Capital Improvements and Additions 2026-27**
Projects Estimated Cost		
$33,250		2027 Crack Sealing & Maintenance Program
$5,000		2027 Storm Sewer Maintenance Program
$43,000		2026-27 - Street Repairs and Alley Paving
	$81,250	**Total 2026-27 Maintenance Items**
	$105,335	General Capital Outlay/Equipment 2026-27 (Dump Truck/Side by Side)
	$0	Remainder for Projects/Equipment - or carry forward to next fiscal year.
$300,000		Estimated - Project 108 - 11th Street South of Fairview - 6 year Plan
$250,000		Estimated - Project 109 - 11th Street South of Fairview - 6 year Plan
$20,000		Estimated - Project 87 - Fuller Street back to gravel - 6 Year Plan
$450,000		Estimated - Project 106 - Main Street and Church Street - RCP Storm Sewer - 6 year plan
$450,000		Estimate needs revised - Project 88 - Sale Barn Road - 5th Street to Hiway 14 - Drainage structures to existing storm drainage - 6 year plan
	$1,470,000	Total Estimated Cost of Known Planned Projects & Capital Expenditures
$250,000		2030 Asphalt Maintenance Program - Microsealing and/or Armorcoating Surfaces
General		
Funds Available for Capital Projects		
$11,750		Sales Tax Revenue - For General/City Hall Improvements/Maintenance FY26-27
$11,584		Sinking Fund for General/City Hall Improvements/Maintenance
$10,000		Cash Balance/Surplus from FY25-26
$13,391		Tax Revenues from FY26-27
$0		Potential Grant Funding - FEMA Hazard Mitigation (75/25 Grant for Sirens)
	$46,725	Total Resources Available for General Fund Capital Improvements 2025-26
Projects Estimated Cost		
$5,000		General Capital Outlay
$40,000		Tornado Siren Replacement - behind Applied Connective (24-25)

Parks Department		
Funds Available for Capital Projects		
$10,000		Cash Reserved for Cardinal Cage Project / Park on Clark-Trail Project
$10,000		*Cash Reserved for Sprinkler Improvements*
	$20,000	Total Resources Available for Parks Department Capital Outlay 2026-27
Project Estimated Cost		
$10,000		*Estimated - Sprinkler Improvements - Clark Park*
$10,000		*Estimated - Landscaping & Finishes - Clark Park*
	$20,000	Total Estimated Cost of Capital Projects/Purchases - 26-27
	$0	Remainder for Projects - Allocate or Carry into 2027-28
$750,000		*Estimated - Trail Connection - Fuller to 11th and State - 2027 and Beyond*
$300,000		Estimated - Sports Complex Improvements - Replace Light Systems (27-28)
$0		Sports Complex Improvements - New concessions stand/RR Building (27-31) - no estimate of cost yet.
Pool Department		
Funds Available for Capital Projects		
$15,000		Property Tax - Used for Maintenance
$75,000		Sales Tax Transfer for Improvements/Maintenance
	$90,000	Total Resources Available for Pool Department Capital Improvments 2024-25
Projects Estimated Cost		
$75,000		Pool Equipment, Parts, Repairs - Replacement Pumps - 2026-27
$15,000		Additional Manhole for access to spray pad piping and valves & repair spray feature - 26-27
	$90,000	Total Estimated Cost of Known Projects through 2027
$28,000		Repaint Pool - 29-30

Library Department		
Funds Available for Capital Projects		
	$196,235	Total Resources Available for Library Department Capital Improvments 2026-27
Projects Estimated Cost		
$0		Make old basement accessible Project for 2027-28 - No cost estimate yet (Library board investigating)
	$0	Total Estimated Cost of Known Projects
Fire Department		
Funds Available for Capital Projects		
$10,525		Estimated Equipment Sales Tax Reserve Balance - 9/30/26
$80,210		Cash Surplus from 2025-26 Capital Outlay
$70,500		2026-27 Transfer in from Sales Tax for Equipment and Maintenance
	$161,235	Total Resources Available for Fire Department Capital Improvements 2026-27
Projects Estimated Cost		
$161,230		Uniforms, Equipment Maintenance, Equipment Purchases (funded by sales tax/sinking funds) - unused transferred to future equipment sinking fund
	$161,230	Total Estimated Cost of Known Projects
	$5	Remainder for Equipment & Maintenance in Fire Dept Fund - Allocate or Carry into 2026-27

Water Department	
Budgeted Funds Available for Capital Projects	
$7,110	Cash available from User Fees
$75,000	Sale/Trade of Surplus Vac Wagon
$75,000	DHHS HydroVac Utility Grant
$35,000	Transfer in From Sales Tax
$192,110	**Total Resources Available for Water Department Capital Improvements 2026-27**
Future Projects Estimated Cost	
$35,000	Water System Improvements/Maintenance
$150,000	*Partial Purchase of Vac/Jet Truck (if DHHS Grant is Successful)
$7,110	General Capital Outlay - Equipment, etc.
$192,110	***Total Capital Expenditures for 2026-27***
	Priority 2 Annexation Water Projects - FUTURE YEARS
$266,300	*Annexation Area 1-B Group 1B - Undeveloped Lots - N of State Street near Fairgrounds Road*
$66,000	*Annexation Area 1-D -Group 3B - Undeveloped Lots on 4th South of Fairview - future 6" main*
$332,300	***2027 & Beyond***
$0	*Future Developments Reserve - 2027 & Beyond*
$1,500,000	New Well/Distribution/Transmission Expansion (2027-31)
$1,832,300	**Total Estimated of Current/Future Projects**

Sewer Department	
Budgeted Funds Available for Capital Projects	
$45,835	Cash available from User Fees
$75,000	Sale of Surplus Sewer Jet Truck
$25,000	Transfer in from Sales Tax for Rehab/Improvements
$145,835	Total Resources Available for Sewer Department Capital Improvements 2026-27
Future Projects Estimated Cost	
Priority System Upgrade and Rehab Projects - '26-27	
$30,000	Manhole Projects/Sewer Inspection/Other Maintanence and Improvements
$75,000	*Partial Purchase of Vac/Jet Truck (if DHHS Grant Successful)
$40,835	General Capital Outlay - Equipment, etc.
$145,835	**2026-2027 - Total Planned Capital Expenditures**
Priority System Upgrade and Rehab Projects - '27-30	
$125,000	Sludge Application / Irrigation ('27-29)
$500,000	Sewer Main Lining Rehab
$625,000	**Total Priority System Upgrade and Rehab Projects 2027-2030**
Priority 2 Annexation Sanitary Projects - 2030 & Beyond	
$334,000	*Annexation Area 1-B Group 1B - Undeveloped Lots - State Street near Fairgrounds Road*
$495,000	*Annexation Area 1-C Group 2B - Old Mill Road and Norco Road*
$110,000	*Annexation Area 1-D Group 3B - Undeveloped Lots on 4th South of Fairview - future 8" main*
$151,700	*Annexation Area 1-F Future Sanitary along Hwy 14 across front of Applied/FSA office lots*
$1,090,700	***2026 & Beyond Total***
$0	*Future Developments Reserve*
$1,715,700	Total Estimated Cost Current/Future Projects