

Grand Rapids Public Utilities

October 23, 2025

Operational and Capital Updates

GRPU Management Team



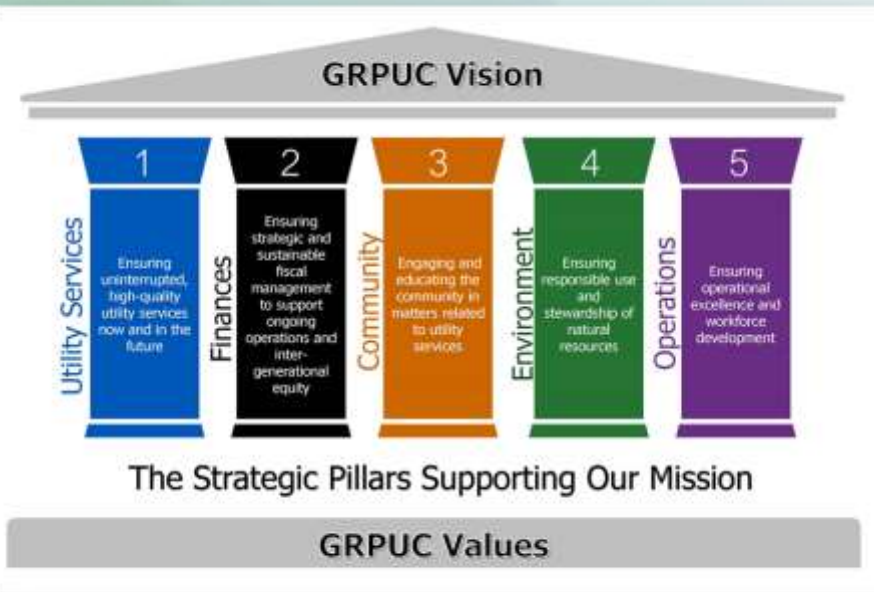
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MISSION VISION VALUES

WHO WE ARE

Grand Rapids Public Utilities (GRPU) is a statutory municipal utility established by the city of Grand Rapids, Minnesota. The Grand Rapids Public Utilities Commission (GRPUC) provides full control, operation and management of the GRPU electric power distribution system, the water production, treatment and distribution systems, and the wastewater collection and treatment systems.



Our Vision

Our vision is to be a dynamic public asset for the thriving community of Grand Rapids, enhancing lives and fostering growth through excellence in the provision of essential utility services.



Our Mission

Our mission is to empower GRPU team members to deliver safe, reliable, affordable, sustainable, and customer-focused utility services for our community.



Our Values

Safety

We hold paramount the well-being of our employees and the public in all operations.

Integrity

We uphold ethical standards and foster trust with all stakeholders.

Customer Focus

We prioritize customer needs and satisfaction in all our decisions and actions.

Efficiency

We maximize resources to provide cost-effective services without compromising quality.

Reliability

We consistently deliver high-quality utility services and strive for uninterrupted access.

Sustainability

We employ environmentally responsible practices in our operations and services.

Transparency

We openly share information and decision-making processes, promoting informed community involvement.



Uninterrupted, High-Quality Utility Services (US)

Capital: Small Bucket Truck Replacement by Chad Troumbly

- Replaces 2012 Ford F550 Aerial
- Reduces maintenance cost and downtime
- Adds Key Features:
 - Hybrid Bucket – quieter operation
 - Platform Elevator – allows more precise movement
 - Back-up camera – increased safety
 - Cleaner, more efficient, emissions-compliant



Project Name	Project Number	Status/ Completion Date	Budgeted Amount	Actual Spent	Funding Source
Bucket Truck Replacement	ELEC2213	99%	\$288,374	\$285,294*	Revenue



Uninterrupted, High-Quality Utility Services (US)

Capital: Maple Street Project by Chad Troumbly

- Project Goals:
 - Simplify distribution voltage in that area
 - Replace existing backyard overhead lines
 - Install underground lines to front yard
- Status:
 - Successful bid process
 - Successful installation
 - Energizing lines



Project Name	Location	Status/ Completion Date	Budgeted Amount	Estimated Spend	Funding Source
Maple Street Prim/Sec UG	NW Grand Rapids	90%	\$94,028	\$92,000	Revenue



Uninterrupted, High-Quality Utility Services (US)

Capital: Fire Hydrant Replacement by Steve Mattson

- Need all hydrants to be functional for fire protection
- Created a capital asset replacement plan
- Replacement based on age, poor operation or damage
- Water Ops Director determines priority after annual spring flushing
- 7 hydrants replaced this year
- Materials – provided by GRPU
Labor – contracted out



Project Name	Location	Status/ Completion Date	Budgeted Amount	Actual Spent	Funding Source
Fire Hydrant Replacement	City	Completed	\$122,804	\$118,012	Revenue

Operational Excellence (OE)

Operations: Water Leak Survey by Steve Mattson

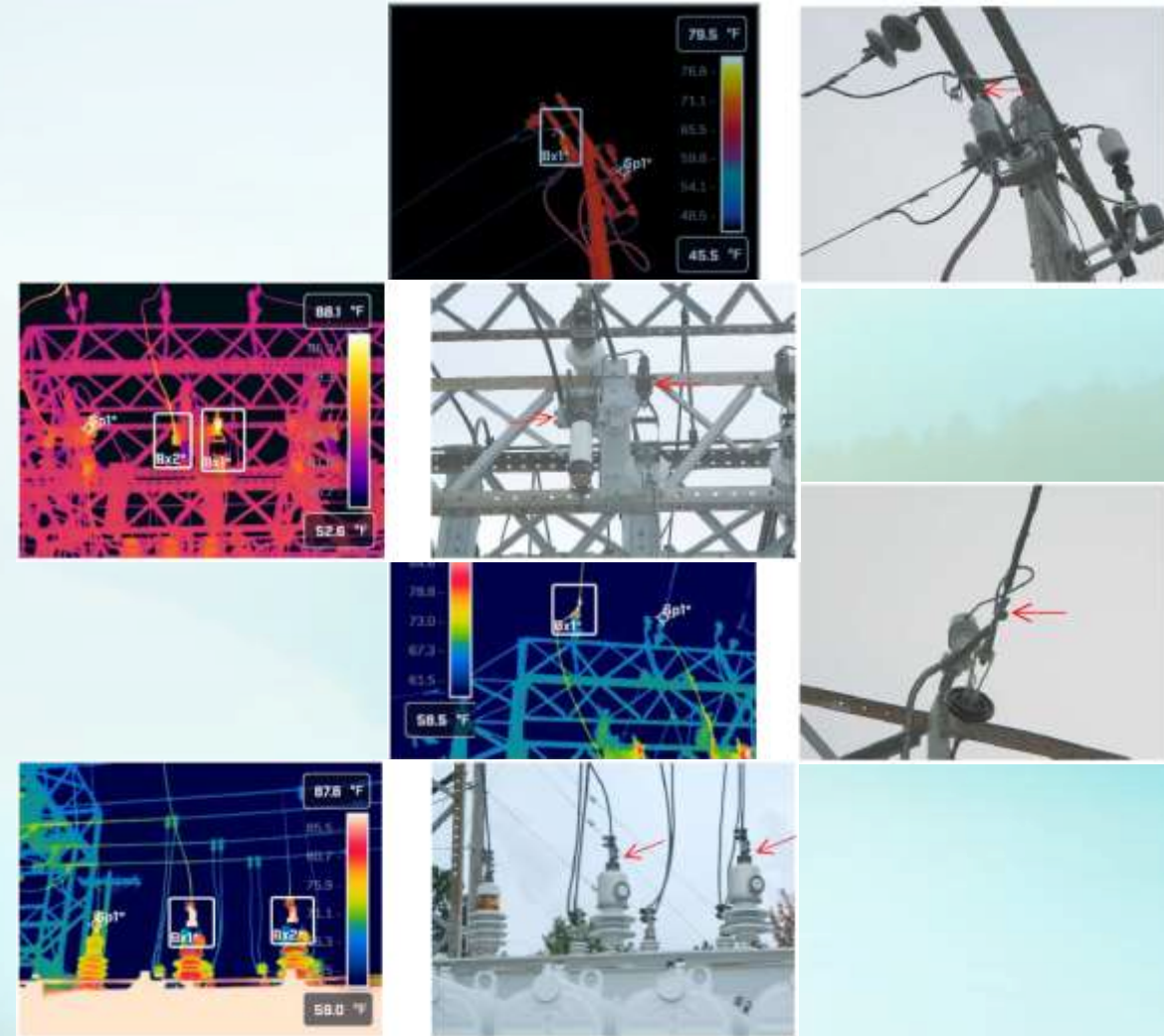
- Leak surveys are conducted because of aging infrastructure, uncaptured revenue, unaccounted flow and preventing other damage
- Contract out, biennially
- Use tool to listen to all hydrants in the system
- Narrowed focus on 11 suspected leak areas
- With system knowledge – begin correlating to pinpoint leak with listening device
- Results:
Confirmed 8 total leaks
6 hydrant leaks (3 were resolved after flushing)
2 service line leaks near curbstop
- Work orders created for repairs



Operational Excellence (OE)

Operations: East Substation IR Scan/Repair by Chad Troumbly

- Infrared scans are used to find potential failure points in the electrical distribution system
- During recent infrared scan, contractor noted concerns of abnormal temperatures “hot spots”
- If not corrected, there is a risk of failure and unplanned outage
- Recommend repair within 60 days
- Safer and more efficient to plan outages
- There are 4 areas that require an outage to make the corrections
- This substation feeds NE section of GRPU service area



Operational Excellence (OE)

Operations: October Safety Summary by Julie Kennedy

Safety Training This Month:

Safety Brad trained on Fire Prevention.

Safety Committee Program Review This Month:

Safety Brad and the Safety Committee will review mock OSHA inspection lists.

Incidents Reported last Month by Department

Administration: None

Business Services: None

Electric: None

Water-Wastewater: None

Cumulative Incidents for 2025

Recordable Incidents	0
Lost Time Days 2025	0
Restricted Days 2025	0
First Aid Only (not recordable)	2

Total FROI 2

Recordable Incident 5-year History

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
ADMIN	0	0	0	0	0
BUS SVCS	0	0	1	0	0
ELEC	0	0	0	1	0
W-WW	1	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1	0	1	1	0

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Upcoming Commission Meetings

Work Session: November 12, 2025

Regular Meeting: November 26, 2025



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