

Grand Rapids Public Utilities

July 23, 2025

Operational and Capital Updates

GRPU Management Team



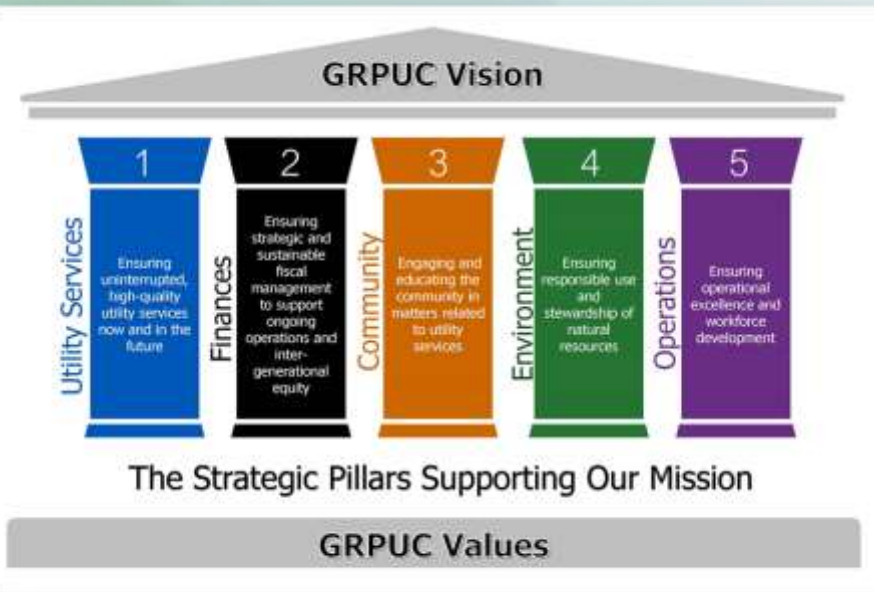
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MISSION VISION VALUES

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: Electric Airport Road Project by Chad Troumbly

Project Highlights:

Goals

- Increase capacity to industrial parks
- Supplement current overhead lines

Status

- Success Installation
- Requires Elbows/Energizing
- Collecting Costs



Project Name	Location	Status/ Completion Date	Budgeted Amount	Actual Spent	Funding Source
7-17th Airport Rd Prim UG	Airport Road	95%	\$394,193	\$95,799*	Revenue



Uninterrupted, High-Quality Utility Services (US)

Capital/Grant: CSC Generator by Chad Troumbly

General:

- After July 2021 Major Storm
- FEMA Grant

Goals

- Power Entire CSC

Status

- Delays but Success
- Collecting Costs



Project Name	Location	Status/ Completion Date	Budgeted Amount	Actual Spent	Funding Source
CSC-24-GENER	CSC Building	Complete	\$458,575	\$441,608*	Revenue/ Grant



Strategic and Sustainable Fiscal Management (FM)

Capital: Pole Replacement Plan by Chad Troumbly

Tiered Approach for Replacements

1. Structurally Compromised
2. Aging, Outdated Hardware
3. System Upgrades, Moves

Reallocate Partial Funds from Southwest Underground Conversion Phase 1 Project - Pushed to 2026

(ELCP-00-SWP1-Spend to Date: \$1348 of \$376,712)



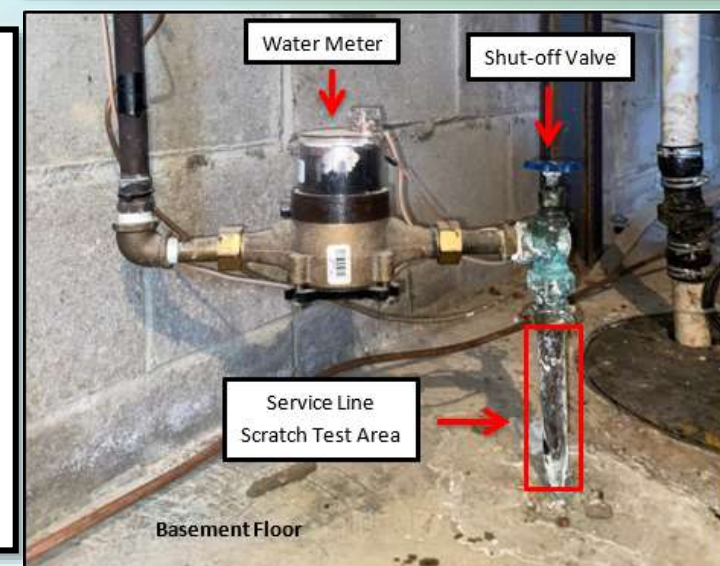
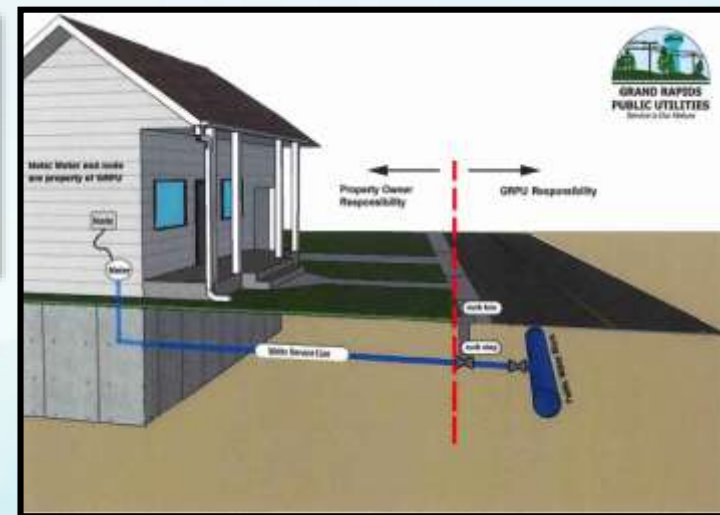
Project Name	Location	Status/ Completion Date	Budgeted Amount	Actual Spent	Funding Source
ELCP-00-POLEP	Across Utility	Starting	\$39,720	\$0	Revenue



Engaging and Educating the Community (EC)

Operations: Water Service Line Inventory by Steve Mattson

- US EPA - Lead and Copper Rule Revisions
- Service line is pipe that connects the water in building to the utility water main.
- Last summer completed round 1
- Our inventory from that was 14 galvanized requiring replacement, 2,799 unknown material, and 683 non-lead service lines.
- Round 2 starting in the coming weeks
- Working with SEH via MDH grant
- Record review
Physical inspection via appointments (SEH)
Self-identify



Engaging and Educating the Community (EC)

Operations: August Customer Campaign by Julie Kennedy

Safe Use of Generators

Grand Rapids Public Utilities knows a portable generator can be a reliable backup during outages. Always use generators outdoors, away from windows to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning. Plug appliances directly into the generator or use a heavy-duty outdoor-rated extension cord to avoid dangerous back-feeding.

Click [HERE](#) for a fact sheet on Safe Use of Generators

- Education & Environment	
Call Before You Dig	
Conservation	
Electric Vehicles	
Safe Use of Generators	
Lead and Copper Service Lines	
Legionella and Drinking Water Information	

Operational Excellence (OE)

Operations: MDH Sanitary Survey Results by Steve Mattson

- Inspection completed annually of PWS by MDH district engineer
- Review of water source, facilities, equipment, operation, maintenance and compliance monitoring
- No deficiencies observed
- Recommendations for backup power in areas, continual cleaning, minimize dead-ends, valve exercising, cross connection plan and security.
- GRPU is now a B facility. Must have a licensed operator licensed to same as facility level.
- Bacteria testing all absent results.



Operational Excellence (OE)

Operations: July Safety Summary by Julie Kennedy

Safety Topic This Month:

Safety Brad will train all employees on Employee Right To Know, Bloodborne Pathogens, and Dog Bites on July 23.

Safety Committee Program Review This Month:

Safety Brad and the Safety Committee will review the Lock Out and Tagout program on July 24.

Incidents Reported last Month by Department

Administration: None

Business Services: None

Electric: None

Water-Wastewater: None

Cumulative Incidents for 2025

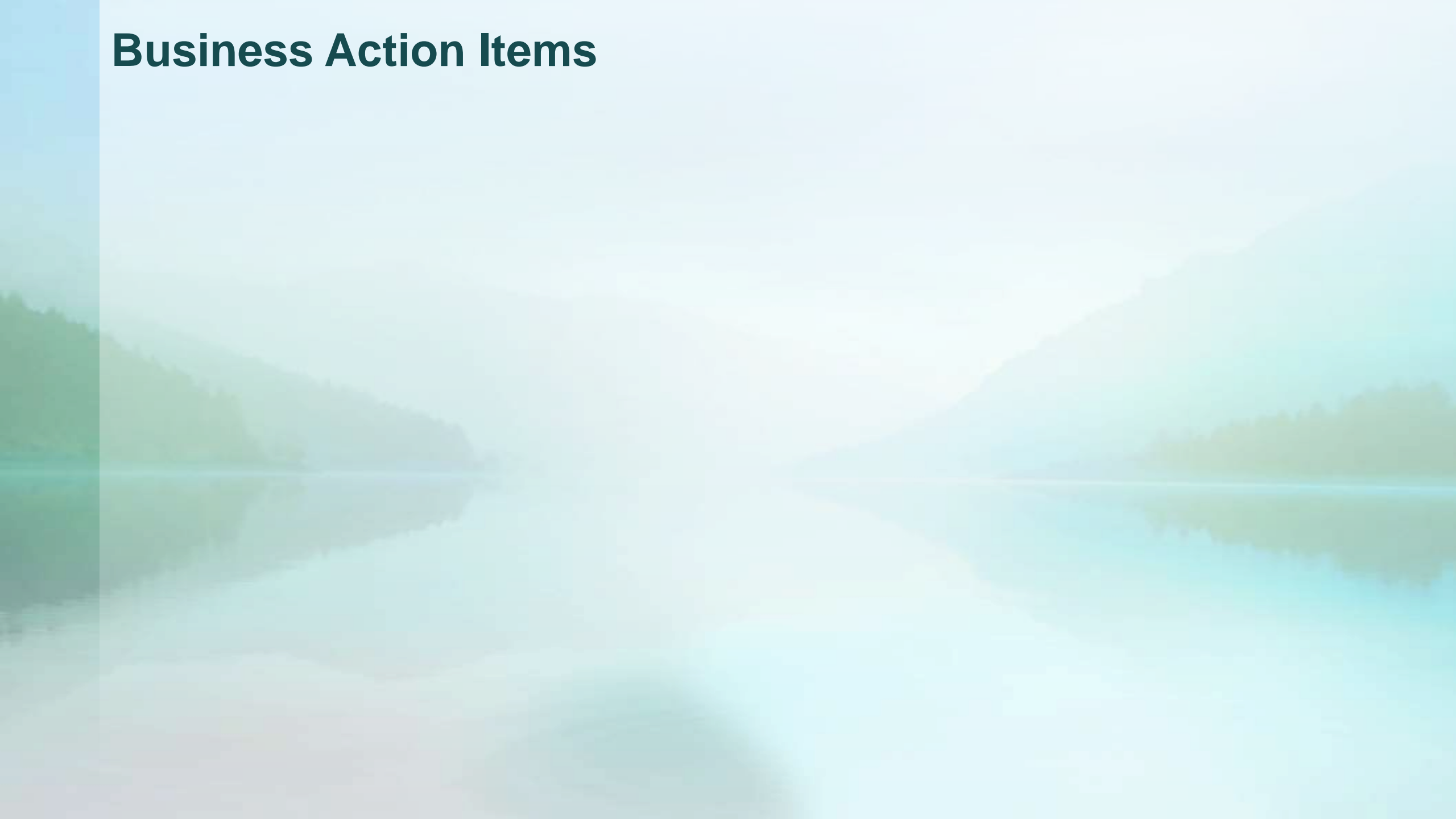
Recordable Incidents	0
Lost Time Days 2025	0
Restricted Days 2025	0
First Aid Only (not recordable)	2

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

Business Action Items



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Upcoming Commission Meetings

Work Session: August 13, 2025

Regular Meeting: August 27, 2025



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