

City of Hartford
Project Updates
November 21, 2025

Project: Drinking Water Asset Management (DWAM)
Project Budget: \$375,000
Funding: EGLE DWAM grant - \$375,000
Contractor: Plummer's Environmental Services
Award Amount: \$210,200.00; modified to \$290,100
Scope: Investigate approximately 20% of the "unknown" (lead, galvanized, copper, plastic, other) water services. Investigation locations include in the building and two potholes on either side of the curb stop. Use the findings to estimate the number of needed water service replacements due to lead and update the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) within the City's Water Asset Management Plan (AMP). Then update the rate analysis to account for the needed lead service line replacements.

Schedule: The original 20% of service inspections has been completed. Plummers has completed 171 interior inspections and 169 exterior inspections. The City has continued to notify properties with discovered lead or galvanized services per EGLE requirements (about 67 out of 169 so far). EGLE has permitted the City to use the remaining funds for additional investigations. The grant agreement was extended to August 15, 2025 to allow for additional service inspections – approximately 150 (89 are completed) interior inspections (Point 1) and 150 (150 are completed) street side inspections (Point 3). We are awaiting close-out documents from EGLE.

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Project: 60th Avenue Sidewalk Extension
Project Budget: \$224,000
Funding: MDOT Shared Streets Grant - \$200,000
Contractor: Krohn Excavating, LLC
Award Amount: \$170,512.00
Scope: Construct approximately 1,800' of concrete sidewalk from Center Street Apartments on S. Center Street south to 60th Avenue and then east along 60th Avenue to connect to the existing sidewalk at Woodside Drive. The City received confirmation that the grant will cover both design and construction engineering services so the cost to the City should be about \$24,000.

Schedule: The contractor began July 21. A final inspection was held on August 28, 2025. The final completion date was August 29, 2025. The contractor completed the punch list and final payment is now due and then the project will be closed out.

Wightman Project Manager: Kyle Owen, P.E., kowen@gowightman.com, 269-312-4859

Project: Lead Service Line Replacements (LSLR) & Water System Improvements

Project Budget: Estimated \$11.76M

Funding: EGLE DWSRF – DWSRF Loan \$4,767,120 + BIL LSLR Loan \$2,288,880 = \$7,056,000 at 1.00%; BIL DWSRF PF \$4,324,880 + BIL LSLR & WM Grant \$379,120 = \$4,704,000 Grant

Contractors: Contract A (LSLR): Compton, Inc.
Contract B (Water Main Replacement): Kalin Construction Co., Inc.
Contract C (Water Main Replacement): Krohn Excavating, LLC
Contract D (Controls & Instrumentation): L.D. Docsa Associates, Inc.

Award Amount: Contract A – \$4,540,787.50
Contract B – \$2,979,063.00
Contract C – \$2,507,461.50
Contract D – \$509,150.00

Scope: The goal of this project is to replace all of the lead service lines within the City's system, replace select water main, and minor water plant improvements. As part of the project, the City approved roadway improvements at a maximum cost \$1.5M at the February 2025 Commission meeting. This includes the reconstruction of Marion Avenue, Michigan Street, Hart Street, Washington Street, and Bernard Street. Each of these roadways includes storm sewer improvements as identified in the Storm Water CIP from the Asset Management Plan. Some of the sanitary sewer laterals will be replaced due to the pipe materials and their age.

Schedule: Preconstruction meetings have been held for Contracts A, C, and D. The preconstruction meeting for Contract B will be scheduled for 2026 as Kalin doesn't plan to start work until next year.

Krohn has completed work from Mary Street through the S. Maple Street intersection. They plan to move to the Dunbar water main extension and then to the force main at the Iron Removal Plant. These two locations will not impact traffic. On-site progress meetings occur every two weeks.

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Project: W. Main Street Improvements – West City Limits to Center Street
Project Budget: Estimated \$2.755M
Funding: MEDC CDBG \$2,491,110; City \$307,890
Contractors: TBD
Award Amount: TBD
Scope: The City submitted an application and received an invitation to continue with the application process for funding through the CDBG program. This is the same program that funded the Linden Street and Clark Street improvements (the City has used this resource for 10+ projects in the past 25 years). The water main between Marion Avenue and Center Street will be replaced with a new 12" ductile iron water main, including approximately 200' in each direction at Center Street (north, east, and south). All water services will also be replaced. As part of the project, the water main will be installed beneath the CSX crossing. Most of the existing curb and gutter will remain, but the entire roadway will be reconstructed. The project would be constructed during the 2026 construction season.

Schedule: The City has awarded service contracts for engineering, Environmental Review, Section 106, and Certified Grant Administrator, all with MEDC approval.

The Environmental Review should be completed in the next week and the public notice period will commence.

The pavement borings have been completed and the topographic survey has been completed. The survey has been completed and design is underway. Design review meetings with City staff were held on October 29 and November 13. We met with the DDA on November 19 to present the impacts to the downtown area and coordination between the W. Main Street project, the water system improvements, and the N. Center Street railroad grade crossing improvements.