

Introduction

As the city finalizes its application for cannabis facilities, we would like direct input from residents. Currently, the majority of the “community benefits” identified in the cannabis facility application are focused on socio-economic activities (i.e., hiring local residents, providing an average wage for employees which is 50% higher than the State of Michigan minimum wage, and/or identify local non-profit that will benefit from business operations in the city). **More specifically; however, the city is seeking suggestions for capital improvement projects that may be incorporated into the “Community Benefits” section of the application, as well as into the city’s Capital Improvement Plan.**

What is a Community Benefit?

A community benefit is an amenity, benefit, commitment, or promise made by a developer which is expected to provide a tangible improvement to the quality of life for those who live, work, and/or play in Lathrup Village.

What is a Capital Improvement Plan?

A Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a six-year schedule of public physical improvements that serves as a tool to assist the City in turning long-range policy planning into real improvements on the ground. The CIP identifies the major capital improvements needed and/or planned for the community, the timeframe for implementation of those improvements, and the budget and revenue sources that will make those improvements a reality.

Each year the city reviews and updates its CIP as required under the Michigan Planning Enabling Act of 2008. While there is always an opportunity for public comment, the city is interested in obtaining feedback BEFORE beginning its annual review which begins in November. This will help ensure that a broader array of capital improvement projects is considered and incorporated into the CIP by the City.

Here is a link to the current [2021 – 2026 City of Lathrup Village Capital Improvement Plan](#), as well as the [interactive GIS Dashboard](#).

Survey Questions

Are you a resident of Lathrup Village?

Do you own commercial property in the City?

After reviewing the projects in the 2021 – 2026 CIP, are there additional projects that should be considered?

What are your Top 3 priorities for Community Benefits?

What are your Top 3 priorities overall for the Capital Improvement Plan?

Are there any other comments you would like to share about long-term capital needs of the city?