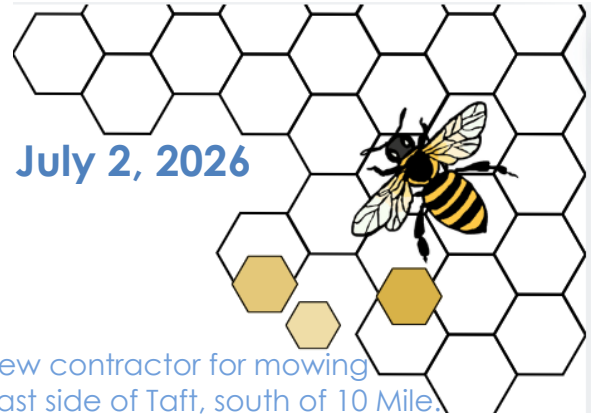


Buzz Report

July 2, 2026



Hot Topics:

- **ROW Mowing on Taft, South of 10 Mile**

Per the [Council item](#) at the June 22nd meeting, we have a new contractor for mowing Activities. One site that needs attention is the ROW on the east side of Taft, south of 10 Mile. The new contractor will be addressing that area ASAP.

- **Start of 2026 NSRP and Associated Tree Removals**

As the 2026 Neighborhood Sidewalk Repair Program (NSRP) gets underway, tree markings have begun and sidewalk panels included in the program will be marked soon.

Community Relations, in coordination with the Department of Public Works (DPW), will be sending an informational letter to addresses in the following subdivisions where a tree is marked for removal to help explain the program, the reason trees are being removed, and the possibility of trees being replaced once the program is completed: North Haven Woods, Haverhill Farms, Woods of Novi, Whispering Meadows, Westridge Downs, Royal Crown Estates, Addington, Broadmoor Park, Mockingbird, Simmons Orchard, Cedarspring Estates, Settlers Creek, Camborne, and Homestead Condos.

In addition to the letter, the DPW team will stick to the following communications process as closely as possible:

- Approximately 3 weeks prior to work beginning: Yellow yard signs will be placed at the ends of the work zone.
- Approximately 3 weeks prior to work beginning: Yellow door hangers will be placed at homes with sidewalk panels that are going to be replaced.
- As needed: A green and white Street Tree Removal door hanger will be placed at addresses with a City-owned tree that has been determined to have contributed to the damage to the existing sidewalk and is scheduled to be removed.

The Sidewalk Repair Program webpage has also been updated with the latest information. You can see example of the signage and door hangers to be used on the webpage: <https://cityofnovi.org/sidewalkrepairprogram/>

- **Flock Camera Concerns**

City staff have seen a recent increase in resident concerns regarding Flock Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) cameras. The City has had several Flock ALPR Cameras positioned at strategic roadway intersections throughout the City since the approval of their purchase and installation in 2023. Detective Sergeant Snell recently provided a memorandum regarding their use in Novi and surrounding communities and can be reviewed [HERE](#).

- **Food Waste/Compost Bins**

The Food Scrap Composting Program is now active! Collection Bins, alongside instructional signage regarding what [acceptable materials](#) have been placed at the rear parking lot for Ella Mae Power Park. Some issues have been identified with the current placement and so a relocation within the Civic Center campus is being considered. Our account manager from [My Green Michigan](#) has confirmed that our collection/service day going forward will be Tuesdays. Two bins have now also been placed at MSU Tollgate Farm. Social Media posts and other educational promotion is planned in addition to the dedicated webpage: <https://cityofnovi.org/trash/food-scrap-composting-program/>



- **Work Hours Variance for Beck Rd Construction**

The contractors for the Beck Road (between 11 Mile and Grand River Ave) construction project recently applied and were approved for a work hours variance that allows their construction crews to perform concrete roadway operations from at 6:00am to 9:00pm, and concrete saw relief operations from 7:00pm to 7:00am. This variance allows them to circumvent some of the hurdles presented by high-volume/rush-hour traffic and forecasted severe weather and high heat. Ultimately, it will help maintain consistent concrete delivery, avoid quality impacts and complete the paving operations within the safest and most efficient time frame.

- **Villa Barr Pathway Project**

Due to the dry Spring, the contractor is planning to begin the Villa Barr pathway paving and extension project the week of June 17th. It is anticipated to take 1-2 weeks to complete. [The pathway has been poured and work should be complete soon. Soft surface restoration is happening simultaneously with the pathway work.](#)



Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) Status Update:

14 MILE TRANSMISSION WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT: Northbound and southbound Novi and Decker Roads have been reopened to traffic at 14 Mile Road. Mainline pipe is now installed, tested and officially back on line. Crews are now focused on preparations for the 14 Mile Road restoration. The new concrete curb and gutter have been poured between East Lake Drive and Novi Road. This week, the contractor will be alternating construction of the entrances to the Maples of Novi (Centennial and Wakefield Drives), closing one at a time. Also, they will begin reconstruction of the Haverhill Farms entrance, Kingswood Boulevard, by building and closing one-half at a time.

<https://www.glwater.org/14milemainproject/>

Road Construction Projects:

At City Council's request the Administrative ePacket will now include the Weekly Road Construction Updates put together by our Department of Public Works engineering team. This same information is used to update the Better Roads Ahead section of the City webpage in a more easily digestible format for the public <https://cityofnovi.org/betterroadsahead/>

Community and Economic Development Project Updates:

[Map of Development projects](#)

[Development Projects Webpage](#)

- **Nagase America, LLC**

The Mobility Solutions office for Nagase America moved this spring from Novi's Crystal Glen Office Centre (9112 sq ft), near Eight Mile and Haggerty, to the 211 West Fort St. office tower in downtown Detroit. According to an [article in MSN](#), 25 employees will work in the new Detroit office.

- **Townes at Haggerty** – Haggerty Road just south of 9 Mile
175 townhouses across 26 buildings are proposed on the west side of Haggerty. A public hearing was held before the Planning Commission on May 6th, for their initial review. The hearing was continued and City Council will most likely see the project sometime in June/July if the applicant intends to proceed.
- **Hotels at the Adell Center**
The two remaining hotels at the Adell Center are working to post financial guarantees and schedule pre-construction meetings. A Home 2 Suites (5-story hotel with 141 rooms) and a TownePlace (5-story hotel with 129 guest rooms). **[A pre-construction meeting was held for the Home 2 Suites on July 1st.](#)**
- **Supra Revolving Sushi** (Former Bar Louie) – 12 Mile Crossing
The space recently vacated by Bar Louie is set to become a new revolving sushi restaurant. Permits have been issued and rough inspections are underway. There is not yet a timeline for when they plan to open.
- **Central Park South** – Beck Road, South of Grand River Ave
The former Central Park Estates project has been redesigned and is being treated as a new project by planning. New multiple-family development with 106 units in a single 5-story building. The site improvements include parking on the first level of part of the building, garages, and related open spaces. Awaiting submission of Final Site Plan for review.

- **Providence Meadows** – Grand River Ave, West of Providence Parkway
Proposed rezoning of 31 acres from Light Industrial to High Density Multiple Family to develop 161 townhome units. At the January 14th Planning Commission meeting this project received initial feedback (no votes were taken) and went before Council on May 4th for their initial input. The applicant is now deciding on next steps.
- **Grand-Beck Development** – Grand River east of Beck Road
Fuel station, convenience store, and Clean Express car wash to be built on a vacant parcel. Preliminary Site Plan has been approved by the Planning Commission. Awaiting submission of a revised Final Site Plan for review. Estimated Completion Date: Unknown
- **Taft Knolls III** – Taft Rd, north of 10 Mile Rd
The Site plan for a Single-Family Residential Development of 13 new homes is now under construction.
- **North Eight Kitchen & Cocktails** (Former Border Cantina) – Novi Road north of Eight Mile
New restaurant by the owners of Benstein Grille in Commerce. Modified site plan with building additions and remodel has been approved by Planning Commission and Zoning Board. Interior Demolition work has commenced as of September. Permits have been issued and work is underway. *Estimated Completion Date: Summer 2026*
- **Novi 10** - 10 Mile and Novi Road
The applicant for the proposed development at 10 Mile and Novi Road has returned with a revised concept for their proposal. The drafting of their PRO agreement is underway.
- **Novi Acres (FKA Station Flats)**
The owners of the property between Target and Sam's recently submitted a new Preliminary Site Plan (61 townhome units and a 6,529-square-foot retail building) under the new name of Novi Acres. The previously planned project, known as Station Flats, has been scuttled. The current project is anticipated to be before Planning Commission in July.
- **Camelot Parc/Avalon** by Village of Stonebrook
Townhomes for sale with garages, fewer units (currently zoned PSLR so a special land use approval will come before council for a decision). They last went before City Council on [February 23rd](#) for a tentative approval of their PSLR Agreement and Concept plan. Drafting of the agreement is underway.
- **El Car Wash # 2** (former Original \$6 Car Wash) - Novi Road and 96
Permits have been issued. *Estimated Completion Date: July 1, 2026*
- **Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers** (Former Wendy's) – Novi Rd/Grand River Ave
The Louisiana-based fast food chain Raising Cane's is planning to take over the space in the near future. Permits issued and rough inspections are underway. *Estimated Completion Date: Late 2026*
- **Transformco (Former Sears at Twelve Oaks)**
Spaces for [a Dicks House of Sport, Round 1 Arcade and Bowling, and Primark](#). Nearly all the external work has been completed. Construction continues for all 3 future tenants. *Estimated Completion Date: August 1, 2026 (for Dicks House of Sport)*

Ordinance Enforcement Updates:

- **DICE (24555 Novi Rd):** Community Development continues to work with them to clean up graffiti on the back of the building. Their plans for a car wash are set to expire very soon.

Frequently Asked Questions:

1. ***Does the City of Novi have a Policy or Ordinance regarding e-bikes/electric scooters/electric minibikes (especially on sidewalks)?***

Answer: No, The City of Novi does not *currently* have an ordinance regarding e-bikes or similar toys/vehicles. However, we are aware of the increase in such modes of transport and the safety concerns of pedestrians and non-motorized bikers sharing the sidewalk. Policy/Ordinance options regarding the matter are currently being explored.