

Buzz Report

June 4, 2026



Hot Topics:

- **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. As a reminder, the extension of the pathway in a full loop that Council preferred will likely require the removal of two of the existing willow trees on site.

[4/24/25 Admin. Packet Item](#)

[5/5/25 City Council Item \(Design Award\)](#)

- **Power Park featured in Detroit PBS Video**

Detroit PBS recently filmed a segment for the Michigan Learning Channel show "The Planning Period" at Ella Mae Power Park. The short segment show is aimed primarily at teachers and educators, with this particular episode focused on stopping summer learning loss.

If you'd like to see the episode you can find it on [YouTube](#). They also noted that they recorded 4 shorts that will be posted on the Michigan Learning Channel Instagram throughout the month.

- **Novi Parks Re-accreditation (CAPRA) update**

The week of May 11th, the PRCS department completed its 2026 CAPRA (Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies) reaccreditation virtual site visit, and happy to report it went exceptionally well. The department successfully met all 154 standards, and the CAPRA review team will recommend our agency to the CAPRA Commission for reaccreditation. Novi is one of only three agencies in the State of Michigan to achieve the accreditation. PRCS first achieved accreditation in 2016 and was reaccredited in 2021. A more comprehensive update will be provided after the September NRPA (National Recreation and Parks Association) conference, when the reaccreditation is made official.

- **Sustainability and Food Scrap Composting Program Webpages Launched**

A City webpage focusing on Sustainability and what residents can do to support keeping Novi a beautiful, healthy, and thriving community now and in the future has been launched at <https://cityofnovi.org/sustainability/>. Alongside this, a landing page for the soon-to-start Food Scrap Pilot program has been created and will be updated as the formalities of the program are put into place.

- **Residential Property Maintenance Program**

The City of Novi Code Compliance Officers are continuing the Residential Property Maintenance Program. For the current phase, they are focused on: Turnberry Estates, Meadowbrook View Estates, Club Lane, Meadowbrook Manor, Carriage Hill, Charrington Green, and Turtle Creek subdivisions. There are also a few miscellaneous homes included that do not belong to the subdivisions. Letters were sent out on Friday, May 1st and Inspections are planned to start June 1st. For more information on the program, please see the [12/18/25 Administrative ePacket](#) detailing the program and materials circulated to residents.

- **New Informational Webpage for Public ROW and Telcom Providers Launched**

In light of the increase in telecommunications utility work in various areas throughout the City and the increased questions on the matter from residents, the City has launched a webpage (<https://cityofnovi.org/row>) to help educate on the topic. The webpage explains public right-of-way (ROW), how the Michigan Metro Act applies to the Telcom providers and local

government, provides answers to Frequently Asked Questions, and provides contacts for the Telcom companies currently doing work.

- **Eight Mile Bridge over CSX Railroad**

City staff recently attended a virtual pre-construction conference with the Wayne County Department of Public Services (WCDPS) and their contractor, E. C. Korneffel Company, regarding the \$3M bridge deck replacement project on 8 Mile Road over the CSX Railroad. The tentative schedule is to close the bridge completely on March 2, 2026, and to reopen for traffic on August 15, 2026 (5 ½ months). Access from Novi Road and to Brickscape Drive will remain open throughout the construction.

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 has been poured between East Lake Drive and Novi Road. Mid 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, the 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

- **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 it 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)
- **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 will [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:

None at current