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### *Community Development Department Report*

*April 2026*

Dear Township Board Members,

During the month of March, the department continued its work on several projects. The staff is currently working on several Zoning Ordinance amendments that will be ready to be reviewed, in draft form, next month. The Civic Center site work is ramping back up again, and we are hopeful that the spring weather will cooperate. The Township Hall and Public Safety Building both have temporary heat which allows interior work to continue moving forward. The few remaining Stanley Park Phase I improvements are planned to begin this month and then finish up by the end of May, just ahead of the June grant deadline.

There are many active projects in the approval process. The Lasting Impressions project (White Lake Rd. & Coastal Pkwy) had their Final Site Plan approved by the Planning Commission on March 19<sup>th</sup>. The old Calvary Lutheran church site (M-59 & Sunnybeach Blvd), referred to now as 9101 Highland, continues to work on their final engineering plans. Edendale Crossing (Bogie Lake Rd & Cedar Island Rd.) is now working on their Final Site Plan submittal. Tractor Supply is seeking approval for an addition within the garden center (east of the building) and that project is under review. Vertical Bridge is requesting approval for a new cellular tower on Eric Drive (North of Cooley Lake Rd. & East of Ford Rd.) on a site that is approximately 5 acres in size. At the applicant's request, this project was postponed in order to provide further analysis. Jax Kar Wash (Meijer out lot at the Northwest corner of M-59 & Bogie Lake Rd.) received Preliminary Site Plan approval during and is moving forward with their Final Site Plan. Finally, Mack Industries (White Lake Rd, just south of Andersonville Rd) has submitted a site plan for a 135,000 sqft expansion of an existing 14,000 sqft concrete structure and pipe production building.

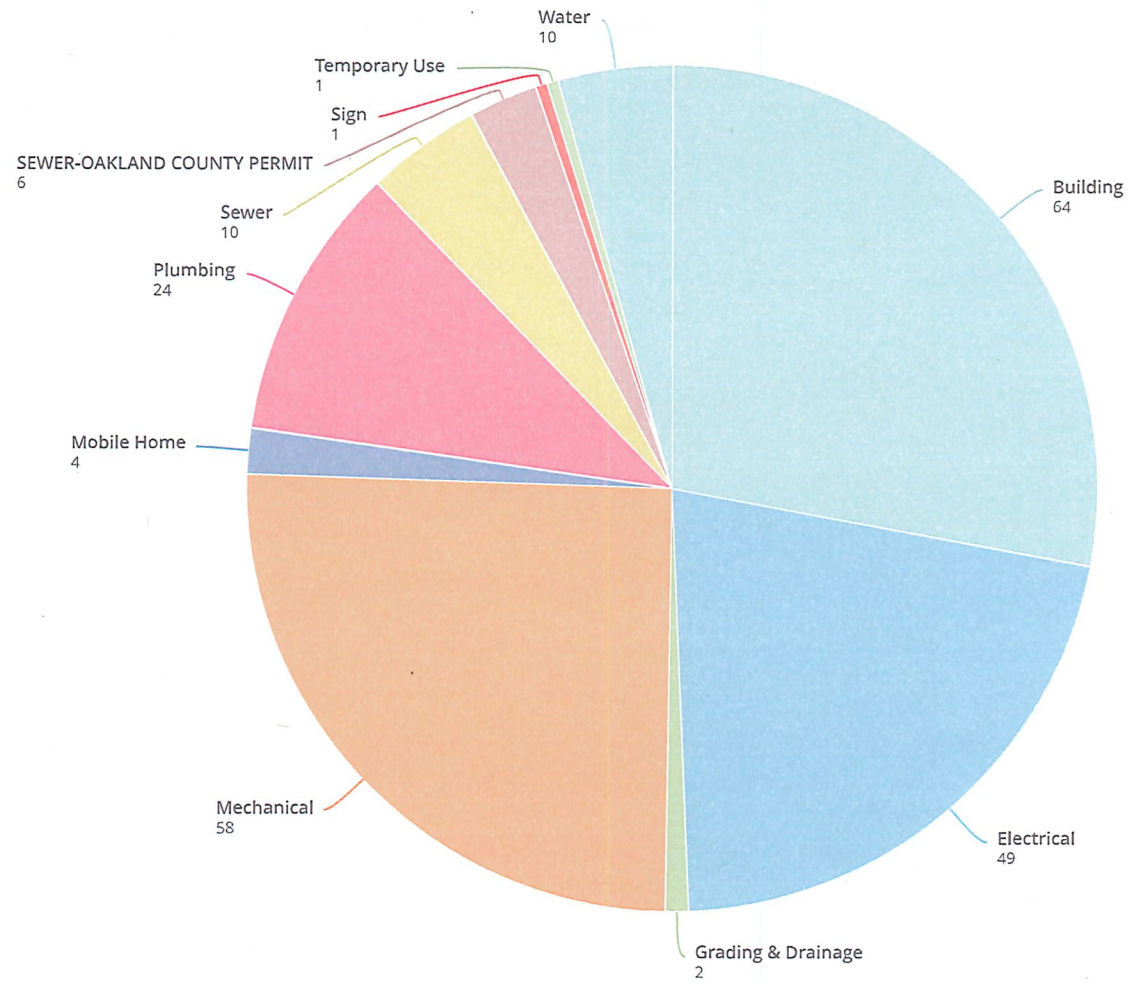
As for approved projects, construction continues at the Preserve at Hidden Lake, Trailside Meadow, Eagles Landing, Elizabeth Trace, West Valley, and Gateway Crossing (SW corner of M-59 & Bogie Lake Rd). The Oakland Harvesters (White Lake Rd & Coastal Pkwy) project continues their site work and is making good progress on the construction of their building. The Ginko Storage (White Lake Rd. & Coastal Pkwy) project held their preconstruction meeting, but site work has not yet begun. Similarly, Walmart has not yet begun their approved building expansion project. Avalon is awaiting approval of their engineering plans and will begin tree removal this month.

Please find included in this report the permit and inspection activity report for building. If you have any questions or require any additional information from the Community Development Department, please contact us.

Respectfully,

Sean O'Neil

# MARCH 2026 ISSUED PERMITS



PERMIT TYPE NAME TABLE VIEW

- Building
- Electrical
- Grading & Drainage
- Mechanical
- Mobile Home
- Plumbing
- Sewer
- SEWER-OAKLAND COUNTY PERMIT
- Sign
- Temporary Use
- Water

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**To:** White Lake Township Board

**From:** David Waligora, AICP - Senior Planner

**Date:** April 10, 2026

### **Re: Parks Department Monthly Update**

#### **Hidden Pines Park**

The Township has contracted the use of the ballfield at Hidden Pines Park by the Oakland Prospects U11 baseball team for the 2026 season, with games scheduled from late April through early July. In preparation, Bob and I visited the site last week to reinstall second base and complete minor field preparations to support official use. Additionally, I conducted a general site cleanup to improve overall parking conditions. We will have to purchase a new chalk lining machine in the upcoming weeks to support the baseball field.

#### **Bloomer Park**

During a recent site visit, Bob and I identified several trees in poor condition that posed potential safety concerns. As a result, the Township engaged a contractor to remove the affected trees to ensure the park remains safe for public use. Bob also skillfully removed many of the smaller trees which had come down in recent windstorms.

#### **Stanley Park**

Progress continues at Stanley Park. Final site work related to stormwater management is still required after the winter season. I recently attended a site walkthrough with the Township's parks consultant to review remaining items and next steps. Work continues regarding our Bond requirements for Phase 2.

#### **Grounds Maintenance / Deer Fly Mitigation Pilot**

The Grounds Maintenance Committee has agreed to pilot a program aimed at reducing the presence of deer flies at Stanley Park. The program will utilize a device known as a "Horse Pal," which was recommended by Michigan State University Extension as an effective, low-impact control method.