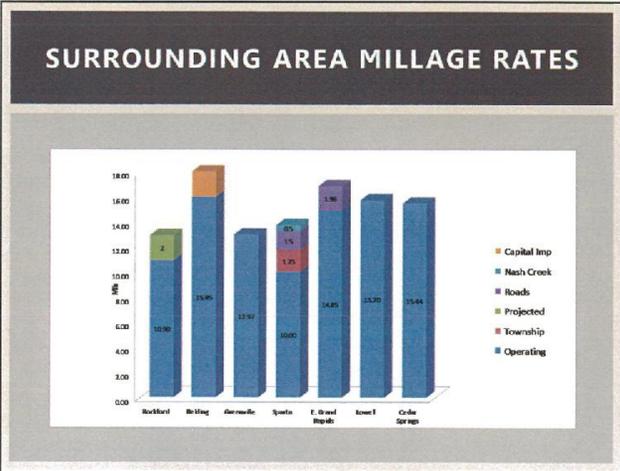




THE STATE

In January of 2017, Governor Snyder spoke to Michigan's aging infrastructure. Michigan's infrastructure is in critical need of replacement.

The City of Rockford is no exception to the state wide aging infrastructure crisis. Many of the underground pipes in our city are past their life expectancy, while the roads that we travel everyday are in need of repaving or replacement.



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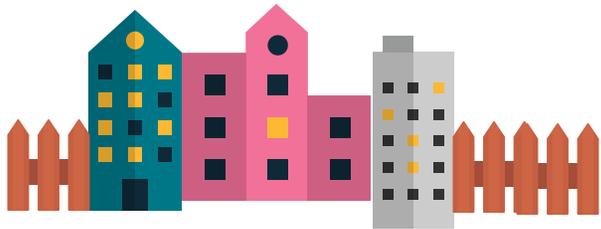


ROCKFORD ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN

THE PLAN

The City has spent the past two years working with multiple engineering firms to create an assessment of the roads and underground pipes. The cost of all of the repairs and replacement of our infrastructure is estimated at \$30 million dollars over 15 years.

Taking this amount into consideration, we have created the Rockford Asset Management Plan (RAMP) to repair and replace our aging infrastructure .



THE FUNDING

To understand the funding of the project, it is important understand how the City pays for repairs. The repair and replacement of our roads is accomplished through money collected from your property taxes and paid through the City road funds approved by the City Council.

The repair of the water and sewer pipes is accomplished through money collected from your bi-monthly bills. It is also important to understand that all of the cost associated with water and sewer service must be paid for by money generated from customer bills, not tax dollars.

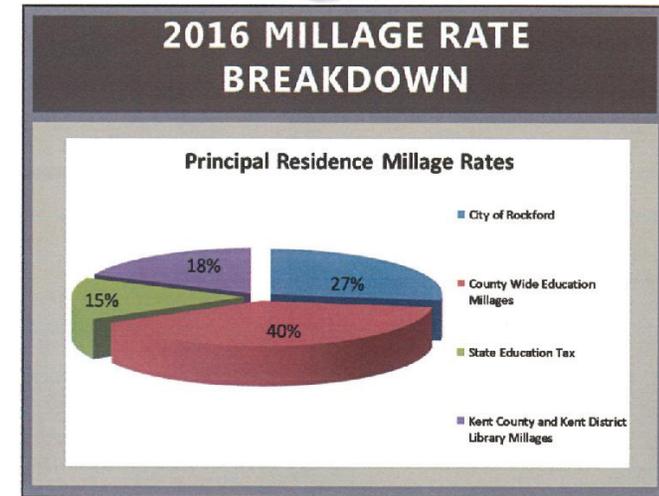
WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO YOU?

In order to fund the RAMP Project, the Rockford City Council approved a millage increase to pay for the road repairs and an increase in water and sewer rates to pay for the repair of our water and sewer pipes.

The new millage rate is set at 12.9 mills.

This represents a 2 mill increase to property owners, but assures that we will be able to maintain our investment in our community's infrastructure. This increase will cost the average Rockford homeowner about \$15 per month.

The City Council also approved a 15% increase in the water rates and a 20% increase in sewer rates. This was the minimum necessary. The cost to the average water and sewer customer is about \$12 a month.



THE FUTURE

The RAMP Project will assure that the City of Rockford first and foremost protects the \$120 million dollar investment that we have all made in the roads and infrastructure necessary to operate a city safely and efficiently. The RAMP Project will prove to be a more efficient way to use your money to complete these important projects.

Rockford is one of just a few cities in Michigan that has developed a plan of this nature. Our City Council has taken the important steps to ensure that the City of Rockford remains the vibrant, attractive civic center that everyone has worked so hard to build.