



# CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

750 LAKESIDE DRIVE SE-EAST GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49506

March 1, 2024

## **Non-Motorized Transportation Infrastructure Notice/ Information**

Dear East Grand Rapids Resident/Property Owner:

The City of East Grand Rapids went through a multi-year public engagement process in 2021 and 2022 towards developing a community Mobility/Bike Action Plan in 2022. Since its adoption the city has implemented many of the noted facilities regarding bike lanes/routes, additional pavement markings and associated signage to improve non-motorized infrastructure for pedestrian experience and safety. One of the areas noted for desired infrastructure improvements is the Robinson and Cascade Road corridor. This same east/west corridor is also noted in City of Grand Rapids and Grand Rapids Township connections in their respective non-motorized community plans. For more information on the City of East Grand Rapids Mobility-Bike Action Plan, please visit [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org) and search "Mobility-Bike Action Plan."

With the infrastructure need identified by the East Grand Rapids community and neighboring jurisdictions, the city proposed a project for Federal grant funding consideration and was awarded ~\$780,000 in grant funds, with a local match requirement of ~\$360,000, covered by the City of East Grand Rapids, to fund a sidewalk/side path on the south side of Robinson and Cascade Road from Plymouth Road to Manhattan Park adjacent to the East Beltline. This means there is no direct cost for this infrastructure improvement project.

Robinson and Cascade Road public right-of-way (ROW) are under the jurisdiction of the Kent County Road Commission (KCRC). The KCRC has agreed to partner with the City of East Grand Rapids for construction of this pedestrian infrastructure in their public ROW. The scope of this infrastructure is to construct a 5-foot wide, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant concrete sidewalk through the corridor based on available public ROW and buffering distances from travel lanes for safety.

To view initial plans, please visit [www.eastgr.org](http://www.eastgr.org) and click on the construction updates quick link or scan the QR code provided below.



This communication is being sent to East Grand Rapids residents/property owners along the southside of Robinson Road generally from the intersection of Plymouth to Cascade. City staff would like to engage with residents by visiting each property in-person if desired. To schedule a site visit or after reviewing initial plans have any questions comments or concerns, please send an email communication to [publicworks@eastgr.org](mailto:publicworks@eastgr.org)

Please respond with a request for a site visit or initial questions by March 22, 2024. After this in-person engagement, plan modifications will be made where feasible and additional communication provided to residents.

Respectfully-  
East Grand Rapids Department of Public Works