



# Downtown Development Authority

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2026 - 6:15 P.M.  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL  
310 GREENWOOD ST., GRAND LEDGE, MI 48837**

**I. ROLL CALL OF DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

**IV. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

**A. Motion** – To approve the Wednesday, April 8, 2026, regular meeting agenda.

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Motion** – To approve the Wednesday, March 11, 2026, regular meeting minutes.

**VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**VII. STAFF REPORTS**

- A.** Financial transactions and bills
- B.** Monthly financial statements
- C.** ADA Observation Platform
- D.** Fireworks enhancements
- E.** AED placement at DDA bathroom facilities

**VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

- A.** Grand Ledge Chamber of Commerce 2025 annual report and 2026 funding request
- B.** Fiscal Year Budget 2027 Recommendations [Action Item]

**X. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

**XI. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MEMBERS**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

This meeting will be held in person, per the Open Meetings Act, and will also be livestreamed via Zoom for informational purposes only. The public is invited to attend in person to participate and offer comments. Written comments can also be submitted to the City Clerk at 310 Greenwood St., Grand Ledge MI 48837, or [cityhall@cityofgrandledge.com](mailto:cityhall@cityofgrandledge.com).

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**DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
310 GREENWOOD ST.  
GRAND LEDGE, MI 48837**

**MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2026 - 6:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL  
310 GREENWOOD ST., GRAND LEDGE MI 48837**

**ROLL CALL OF BOARD** – Authority Members Present: Chairman Bruce MacDowell, Spencer Bye, Mayor Keith Mulder, Vicki Paski, Michael Fredericks, Lise Mitchell, and Chris Fata

**Members Absent** – Authority Members Absent, Terrance Augustine, Dana Beattie, Andrew Archer, and Natalia Clough

**Others Present** – Amee King, Assistant City Manager

**I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** –

**II. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** – Chief Mike Roman from GLAESA invited everyone to their open house Saturday from 3-5.

**III. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

**A. Motion** – To approve the Wednesday, March 11, 2026, regular DDA agenda.

AUTHORITY MEMBER MITCHELL MOVED, AUTHORITY MEMBER PASKI SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MARCH 11, 2026, REGULAR MEETING AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Motion** – To approve the Wednesday, February 11, 2026, regular meeting minutes.

AUTHORITY MEMBER FREDERICKS MOVED, AUTHORITY MEMBER MITCHELL SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 11, 2026, REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**V. COMMITTEE REPORTS** – None.

**VI. STAFF REPORTS**

**A. Financial Transactions and Bills** – Mrs. King reviewed the financial transactions and bills.

AUTHORITY MEMBER BYE MOVED, AUTHORITY MEMBER PASKI SECONDED, TO ACKNOWLEDGE PAYMENT OF THE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS AND BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,990.66. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**B. Monthly financial statement** – Mrs. King reviewed the financial statements.

AUTHORITY MEMBER FREDERICKS MOVED, AUTHORITY MEMBER MITCHELL SECONDED, TO ACCEPT AND PLACE ON FILE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**C. ADA Observation Platform** – Mrs. King indicated that the project began February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Blocks for the retaining wall are almost complete, with other components being worked on for completion of the wall. The deck component is next with the pier footings for the columns, the lower slab of concrete. The beam and slab on the top and the stairs will be last. We have encountered several items that will cause additional funds necessary.

**VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS** –

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS** –

**IX. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION** – Dave Logel, 1064 Brookside Drive, and Council Member Ward 1, indicated that he appreciates everyone of you for giving up your Wednesday nights, beautifying downtown, contributions to the parks, and the relationship you have with staff, chamber, and everyone.

**X. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MEMBERS** – Authority member Fredericks indicated that Friday evening at the opera house, will be a St Patricks day celebration. The Pub Runners and irish dancers will be there with food and beverages available. Tickets can be purchased at the opera house.

Authority member Mitchell indicated that the library is hosting a pre-parade pary with Lucky Leprikan. March is reading month. Artwork from the schools will be at the library, with a reception on March 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. The artwork is displayed for 2 weeks and includes kids from all age groups. There will be a speaker at the library, tomorrow to provide information on irish warriers.

Authority member Paski indicated that her son, Michael Paski is having an album release show at the Green Door on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Advance tickets are \$10, and all are invited.

Mayor Mulder thanked everyone for their service and indicated there are currently two vacancies on this board.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT** –

AUTHORITY MEMBER FREDERICKS MOVED, AUTHORITY MEMBER BYE SECONDED, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 6:25 P.M. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Spencer Bye, Vice Chairman

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Vicki Paski, Secretary

04/03/2026

INVOICE GL DISTRIBUTION REPORT FOR CITY OF GRAND LEDGE  
POST DATES 03/01/2026 - 03/31/2026  
BOTH JOURNALIZED AND UNJOURNALIZED  
PAID

GL Number	Invoice Line Desc	Vendor	Invoice Description	Amount	Check #
Fund 248 DDA FUND					
Dept 728 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
248-728-817.000	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	GIFFELS WEBSTER	PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	575.50	116925
248-728-830.005	TRASH PICKUP	GRANGER	ACC. #2645310	122.12	116931
248-728-830.005	TRASH PICKUP	GRANGER	ACC. #2645310	122.11	116931
248-728-830.005	TRASH PICKUP	GRANGER	ACC. #2645310 LAWSON RD.	122.11	116931
248-728-830.005	TRASH PICKUP	GRANGER	ACC. #2645310 LAWSON	122.12	116931
Total For Dept 728 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT				<u>1,063.96</u>	
Total For Fund 248 DDA FUND				<u><u>1,063.96</u></u>	
Fund Totals:					
				Fund 248 DDA FUND	1,063.96
Total For All Funds:				<u><u>1,063.96</u></u>	

PERIOD ENDING 03/31/2026

% Fiscal Year Completed: 75.07

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2025-26		YTD BALANCE	ACTIVITY FOR	AVAILABLE		% BDGT USED
		AMENDED BUDGET	NORMAL	03/31/2026 (ABNORMAL)	MONTH 03/31/2026 (INCREASE (DECREASE))	NORMAL	(ABNORMAL)	
Fund 248 - DDA FUND								
Revenues								
Dept 000 - GENERAL								
248-000-402.000	CURRENT PROPERTY TAXES	1,458,532.00		1,136,673.34	0.00	321,858.66		77.93
248-000-414.000	PRIOR YEAR ADJ	(20,000.00)		0.00	0.00	(20,000.00)		0.00
248-000-573.000	LCSA SHARE APPROPRIATION	47,283.00		72,369.16	0.00	(25,086.16)		153.06
248-000-628.000	OPERATIONAL REVENUES	0.00		206.80	0.00	(206.80)		100.00
248-000-665.001	INTEREST	0.00		3,454.32	0.00	(3,454.32)		100.00
Total Dept 000 - GENERAL		1,485,815.00		1,212,703.62	0.00	273,111.38		81.62
TOTAL REVENUES		1,485,815.00		1,212,703.62	0.00	273,111.38		81.62
Expenditures								
Dept 728 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT								
248-728-703.000	SALARIES/WAGES	82,547.00		43,424.90	5,176.47	39,122.10		52.61
248-728-719.000	FRINGE BENEFITS	56,132.00		26,424.26	786.22	29,707.74		47.08
248-728-761.000	OPERATING SUPPLIES	500.00		405.19	0.00	94.81		81.04
248-728-801.004	ADMINISTRATIVE	1,000.00		400.00	0.00	600.00		40.00
248-728-802.000	LEGAL FEES	10,000.00		1,097.00	0.00	8,903.00		10.97
248-728-811.000	CONTRACTUAL	895.00		1,220.00	0.00	(325.00)		136.31
248-728-817.000	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	100,000.00		575.50	575.50	99,424.50		0.58
248-728-830.002	SNOW REMOVAL	50,000.00		75,718.25	9,797.12	(25,718.25)		151.44
248-728-830.003	LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE	25,000.00		9,188.00	0.00	15,812.00		36.75
248-728-830.004	ELECTRIC LIGHTS / POLES	25,000.00		42,003.71	7,898.27	(17,003.71)		168.01
248-728-830.005	TRASH PICKUP	7,000.00		4,640.39	793.66	2,359.61		66.29
248-728-830.006	DECORATIONS	25,000.00		14,288.99	1,634.34	10,711.01		57.16
248-728-830.007	PARKING LOT MAINTENANCE	100,000.00		50,443.77	1,571.84	49,556.23		50.44
248-728-830.008	OPERATIONAL EXPENSE	20,000.00		4,450.62	0.00	15,549.38		22.25
248-728-880.004	PROMOTIONS & MARKETING	40,000.00		9,995.56	711.95	30,004.44		24.99
248-728-935.000	INSURANCE	2,142.00		1,033.35	0.00	1,108.65		48.24
248-728-940.000	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	0.00		42.48	0.00	(42.48)		100.00
248-728-977.000	EQUIPMENT	2,500.00		0.00	0.00	2,500.00		0.00
248-728-997.101	INDIRECT COST CHARGES	112,777.00		84,582.75	0.00	28,194.25		75.00
Total Dept 728 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		660,493.00		369,934.72	28,945.37	290,558.28		56.01
Dept 965 - TRANSFERS OUT								
248-965-995.394	TRANSFER TO DDA DEBT SERVICE FUND	471,405.00		471,405.00	0.00	0.00		100.00
248-965-995.494	TRANSFER TO DDA CAP PROJ FUND	450,000.00		450,000.00	0.00	0.00		100.00
Total Dept 965 - TRANSFERS OUT		921,405.00		921,405.00	0.00	0.00		100.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,581,898.00		1,291,339.72	28,945.37	290,558.28		81.63
Fund 248 - DDA FUND:								
TOTAL REVENUES		1,485,815.00		1,212,703.62	0.00	273,111.38		81.62
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,581,898.00		1,291,339.72	28,945.37	290,558.28		81.63
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		(96,083.00)		(78,636.10)	(28,945.37)	(17,446.90)		81.84

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR CITY OF GRAND LEDGE  
 PERIOD ENDING 03/31/2026  
 % Fiscal Year Completed: 75.07

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2025-26	YTD BALANCE	ACTIVITY FOR	AVAILABLE	% BDGT USED
		AMENDED BUDGET	03/31/2026 NORMAL (ABNORMAL)	MONTH 03/31/2026 INCREASE (DECREASE)	BALANCE NORMAL (ABNORMAL)	
Fund 394 - DDA DEBT FUND						
Revenues						
Dept 905 - DEBT SERVICE						
394-905-665.001	INTEREST	1,112.00	5,873.27	0.00	(4,761.27)	528.17
394-905-699.248	TRANSFER FROM DDA	471,405.00	471,405.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Total Dept 905 - DEBT SERVICE		472,517.00	477,278.27	0.00	(4,761.27)	101.01
TOTAL REVENUES		472,517.00	477,278.27	0.00	(4,761.27)	101.01
Expenditures						
Dept 905 - DEBT SERVICE						
394-905-991.000	DEBT-PRINCIPAL	145,000.00	0.00	0.00	145,000.00	0.00
394-905-992.000	DEBT INTEREST	153,494.00	76,746.88	0.00	76,747.12	50.00
394-905-993.000	DEBT-PAYING AGENT FEES	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
Total Dept 905 - DEBT SERVICE		299,494.00	76,746.88	0.00	222,747.12	25.63
Dept 965 - TRANSFERS OUT						
394-965-995.305	TRANSFER TO 2016 CAP IMPROV BONDS FUND	172,911.00	172,911.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Total Dept 965 - TRANSFERS OUT		172,911.00	172,911.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		472,405.00	249,657.88	0.00	222,747.12	52.85
Fund 394 - DDA DEBT FUND:						
TOTAL REVENUES		472,517.00	477,278.27	0.00	(4,761.27)	101.01
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		472,405.00	249,657.88	0.00	222,747.12	52.85
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		112.00	227,620.39	0.00	(227,508.39)	13,232.49

PERIOD ENDING 03/31/2026

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GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2025-26	YTD BALANCE	ACTIVITY FOR	AVAILABLE	% BDGT USED
		AMENDED BUDGET	03/31/2026 NORMAL (ABNORMAL)	MONTH 03/31/2026 INCREASE (DECREASE)	BALANCE NORMAL (ABNORMAL)	
Fund 494 - DDA CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND						
Revenues						
Dept 900 - CAPITAL OUTLAY						
494-900-665.001	INTEREST	0.00	9,462.86	0.00	(9,462.86)	100.00
494-900-699.248	TRANSFER FROM DDA	450,000.00	450,000.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Total Dept 900 - CAPITAL OUTLAY		450,000.00	459,462.86	0.00	(9,462.86)	102.10
TOTAL REVENUES		450,000.00	459,462.86	0.00	(9,462.86)	102.10
Expenditures						
Dept 503 - SIDEWALKS						
494-503-703.000	SALARIES/WAGES	0.00	405.44	0.00	(405.44)	100.00
494-503-719.000	FRINGE BENEFITS	0.00	31.02	0.00	(31.02)	100.00
Total Dept 503 - SIDEWALKS		0.00	436.46	0.00	(436.46)	100.00
Dept 900 - CAPITAL OUTLAY						
494-900-974.006	CONSTRUCTION	450,000.00	0.00	0.00	450,000.00	0.00
Total Dept 900 - CAPITAL OUTLAY		450,000.00	0.00	0.00	450,000.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		450,000.00	436.46	0.00	449,563.54	0.10
Fund 494 - DDA CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND:						
TOTAL REVENUES		450,000.00	459,462.86	0.00	(9,462.86)	102.10
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		450,000.00	436.46	0.00	449,563.54	0.10
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		0.00	459,026.40	0.00	(459,026.40)	100.00
TOTAL REVENUES - ALL FUNDS						
TOTAL REVENUES - ALL FUNDS		2,408,332.00	2,149,444.75	0.00	258,887.25	89.25
TOTAL EXPENDITURES - ALL FUNDS		2,504,303.00	1,541,434.06	28,945.37	962,868.94	61.55
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		(95,971.00)	608,010.69	(28,945.37)	(703,981.69)	633.54

Fund 248 DDA FUND

GL Number	Description	Balance
*** Assets ***		
248-000-001.000	CASH	385,396.36
248-000-001.001	MI CLASS	342.96
248-000-040.001	UNBILLED ACCTS RCVBLE	(1,058.08)
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>384,681.24</b>
*** Liabilities ***		
248-000-257.000	PAYROLL PAYABLE	4,793.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>4,793.00</b>
*** Fund Balance ***		
248-000-390.000	Fund Balance	458,524.34
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>		<b>458,524.34</b>
<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>		<b>458,524.34</b>
<b>Net of Revenues VS Expenditures</b>		<b>(78,636.10)</b>
<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>		<b>379,888.24</b>
<b>Total Liabilities And Fund Balance</b>		<b>384,681.24</b>

Fund 394 DDA DEBT FUND

GL Number	Description	Balance
*** Assets ***		
394-000-001.000	CASH	256.14
394-000-001.001	MI CLASS	282,006.60
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>282,262.74</b>
*** Liabilities ***		
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>0.00</b>
*** Fund Balance ***		
394-000-390.000	Fund Balance	54,642.35
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>		<b>54,642.35</b>
<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>		<b>54,642.35</b>
<b>Net of Revenues VS Expenditures</b>		<b>227,620.39</b>
<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>		<b>282,262.74</b>
<b>Total Liabilities And Fund Balance</b>		<b>282,262.74</b>

Fund 494 DDA CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

GL Number	Description	Balance
*** Assets ***		
494-000-001.000	CASH	512,692.91
494-000-001.001	MI CLASS	337,872.22
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>850,565.13</b>
*** Liabilities ***		
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>0.00</b>
*** Fund Balance ***		
494-000-390.000	FUND BALANCE	391,538.73
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>		<b>391,538.73</b>
<b>Beginning Fund Balance</b>		<b>391,538.73</b>
<b>Net of Revenues VS Expenditures</b>		<b>459,026.40</b>
<b>Ending Fund Balance</b>		<b>850,565.13</b>
<b>Total Liabilities And Fund Balance</b>		<b>850,565.13</b>

Another year has come to a close, and we celebrate all that was made possible through the dedication of our members, sponsors, businesses, and community partners as we continued our work to make Grand Ledge a wonderful place to live and do business.

This year also marked an important transition for the Chamber. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Amy Hoyes, who faithfully led the organization for the past seven years with vision, commitment, and steady leadership. Her impact will continue to shape the Chamber for years to come. As we look ahead, we are excited to welcome our new Executive Director, Laura Guild, who joined us in January 2026. Laura brings fresh energy and a passion for strengthening our business community, and we look forward to the new opportunities and growth her leadership will inspire.

Throughout 2025, the Chamber delivered a robust calendar of events that strengthened business engagement and fostered meaningful community connections. The year began with Coffee & Conversation, a monthly networking series that remained a consistent touchpoint for local professionals. Alongside this, nine Mix & Mingle events offered businesses opportunities to showcase their work and build relationships.

Spring featured several cornerstone traditions, including the St. Patrick's Day Parade, the Annual Awards Dinner, and the Spring Fling Business Expo, each bringing businesses and community members together in celebration and collaboration.

Summer programming continued to shine with Market on the Grand, Music in the Park, and the annual Yankee Doodle Day celebration. These events provided weekly opportunities for residents to enjoy local vendors, entertainment, and community traditions. Additional summer offerings, such as the Golf Scramble and Movie in the Ballfield, further strengthened community engagement.

Fall brought the Chamber's largest vendor event of the year - Fall Festival and Beer Festival - followed by the festive Bridge Street Trick-or-Treat. The year concluded with the beloved Christmas Parade, a celebration of community pride and local spirit.

Across all events, the Chamber engaged hundreds of businesses and thousands of residents, reinforcing its role as a driving force for connection and economic vitality in Grand Ledge.

## Chamber Staff

Laura Guild  
Executive Director

Lisa Plunket  
Membership and Marketing Manager

## 2026 Chamber Board of Directors

Ariel Backus, Choose Lansing  
Dale Bennett, Asset Financial Services  
Dr. Bill Barnes, Grand Ledge Public Schools  
Dr. Ethan Childs, Ledges Chiropractic Center  
Justin Blake, Edward Jones Investments

Keith Wright, Consumers Credit Union  
Lisa Fisher, Lisa Fisher and Associates  
Rachel Reich, REMAX Gold Group  
Shawn Van Steeland, Music Instrument Swap  
Tammy Beson, Grand Ledge Rotary Club

# Quick Facts

Special thanks to the City of Grand Ledge and to the dedicated teams at the Grand Ledge Fire Authority, Police Department, and Public Works for their outstanding support.

Chamber event attendance in 2025 exceeded 20,000 people

More than 50 business sponsors for 2025 events

600+ business connections made through 2025 events

In 2025, the Chamber held an event on average every 6 days

138 members renewed and 21 joined—an exciting year of growth!

Nearly 6,000 Facebook followers—up 500 in 2025!

Nearly 600,000 views on Chamber Facebook posts in 2025!

2025 events generated an estimated \$500k–\$800k locally!

## 2025 Top Sponsors



## Additional Sponsors

All Weather Seal  
Bye Insurance  
C21 Mark Down Mark - Mark Holcomb  
Candor Mechanical  
Choose Lansing  
Consumers Credit Union  
Crippen GMC Mazda Volvo  
Dan Templin  
Dart Bank  
Edward Jones - Justin Blake  
Fifth Third Bank  
Flour Child Bakery  
Fox 47  
Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home  
Jersey Giant Subs  
LAFCU  
LaFontaine Automotive Group  
Lansing Community Collect Connect  
Ledges Chiropractic  
Lions Club of Grand Ledge

MacDowell's Fireplace and Flower Shop  
McDonald's of Grand Ledge  
McLaren Greater Lansing  
Meijer - Grand Ledge  
Mills Funeral Home  
Morrie's Ford  
Music Instrument Swap  
NovaCare Rehabilitation  
Ohana Sushi and Bar  
PJ's Towing  
REMAX Gold Group - Rachel Reich  
Riverside Accounting  
Rotary Club of Grand Ledge  
School of Rock  
SERVPRO of Eaton & Clinton Counties  
TL Contracting  
Top Home Improvements  
Wacousta Coop Preschool  
WLNS - TV 6



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GrandLedgeChamber



(517) 627-2383



Dear Members of the Downtown Development Authority,

On behalf of the Grand Ledge Area Chamber of Commerce, I would like to extend our sincere gratitude for your continued partnership and support. Your investment of \$20,000 in 2025 played a vital role in activating our downtown, supporting local businesses, and creating meaningful community experiences.

Because of your support, the Chamber successfully hosted and supported a wide range of community events, including:

- St. Patrick's Day Parade
- Market on the Grand
- Music in the Park
- Yankee Doodle Day
- Movie in the Ballfield
- Grand Ledge Fall Festival
- Beer Fest
- Bridge Street Trick-or-Treat
- Night Lights Christmas Parade

These events are more than just traditions—they are economic drivers and community builders.

#### 2025 Impact Highlights

Through our collaboration, we are proud to share the following outcomes:

- 20,000+ attendees across Chamber-hosted events
- 50+ business sponsors engaged in community activation
- 600+ business connections facilitated through events
- Estimated \$500,000–\$800,000 in local economic impact

These numbers reflect not only strong participation but also meaningful engagement that directly benefits our downtown businesses and reinforces Grand Ledge as a vibrant destination.



## 2026 Funding Request

As we look ahead, the Chamber is committed to building on this momentum, enhancing event experiences, increasing business participation, and continuing to drive traffic into our downtown district.

To support these efforts, we respectfully request continued funding in the amount of \$20,000 for 2026.

This investment will allow us to:

- Sustain and grow our established community events
- Increase visibility and foot traffic for downtown businesses
- Expand sponsorship and partnership opportunities
- Enhance marketing efforts to draw both local and regional visitors

Your continued partnership is instrumental in ensuring these events remain successful, accessible, and impactful for our entire community.

Thank you for your consideration and for your ongoing commitment to the vitality of downtown Grand Ledge. We look forward to continuing this partnership and building an even stronger year ahead.

With appreciation,

Laura Guild  
Executive Director  
Grand Ledge Chamber of Commerce

04/03/2026		BUDGET REPORT FOR CITY OF GRAND LEDGE									
		Calculations as of 12/31/2025									
		2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2025-26	2025-26	2026-27			
		ACTIVITY	ACTIVITY	ACTIVITY	ORIGINAL	AMENDED	ACTIVITY	MGR PROPOSED			
GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION				BUDGET	BUDGET	THRU 12/31/25	BUDGET			
ESTIMATED REVENUES											
Dept 000 - GENERAL											
248-000-402.000	CURRENT PROPERTY TAXES	1,382,109	1,458,532	1,532,641	1,458,532	1,458,532	1,136,673	1,532,641			
248-000-414.000	PRIOR YEAR ADJ	(16,866)			(20,000)	(20,000)		(20,000)			
248-000-573.000	LCSA SHARE APPROPRIATION	47,283	66,488	67,625	47,283	47,283	72,369	60,465			
248-000-628.000	OPERATIONAL REVENUES	350	75				207				
248-000-665.001	INTEREST	15,942	29,226	24,448			3,439				
248-000-699.407	TRANSFER IN FROM 407			300,000							
Totals for dept 000 - GENERAL		1,428,818	1,554,321	1,924,714	1,485,815	1,485,815	1,212,688	1,573,106			
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		1,428,818	1,554,321	1,924,714	1,485,815	1,485,815	1,212,688	1,573,106			
APPROPRIATIONS											
Dept 728 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT											
248-728-703.000	SALARIES/WAGES	81,447	81,989	69,618	82,547	82,547	29,046	103,651			
248-728-703.100	OVERTIME	1,256	295								
248-728-719.000	FRINGE BENEFITS	35,697	41,005	59,183	56,132	56,132	23,350	52,900			
248-728-761.000	OPERATING SUPPLIES	229	429	264	500	500	157	500			
248-728-801.004	ADMINISTRATIVE	583	454	615	1,000	1,000	400	1,000			
248-728-802.000	LEGAL FEES	4,492	533	2,672	10,000	10,000	977	10,000			
248-728-811.000	CONTRACTUAL	695	695	500	895	895		800			
248-728-817.000	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	350	1,738	14,427	100,000	100,000		25,000			
248-728-830.002	SNOW REMOVAL	20,481	31,237	61,016	50,000	50,000	13,019	70,000			
248-728-830.003	LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE	21,484	21,636	28,914	25,000	25,000	9,188	30,000			





