

Town of Grand Valley Operating Budget 2025

Sanitary Sewer and Infiltration/Inflow Projects

Separate from the Sewage Treatment Plant budget, the Town also has a budget for the sanitary sewer system running to the Plant. Infiltration mitigation projects have taken place over the last decade and are accounted for in their own budgets. In 2025, planning must continue on the upsizing of the sanitary sewer service that currently runs from Scott Street to the Emma Street Sewage Pumping Station. \$70,000 has been added to the budget to start this project, and funds from Development Charges will pay for the planning work.

Infiltration/Inflow (I&I) Projects

For the last 3 years, staff have been working with engineers to prepare for the required I&I work on Luther Road. This project will be a significant undertaking, involving land use agreements with neighbouring landowners and road use agreements with Dufferin County.

The preparation work is nearly complete. The project will be tender-ready once all agreements and designs have been completed and approved.

However, the project is expected to cost over \$2,000,000, and perhaps over \$3,000,000. The Town has \$800,000 in reserves. The full cost of the project was included in the original 2025 capital budget, but a decision to move ahead on this project was deferred, pending the operating budget review. Given the pressure on the Town with all the other elements in the budget, it is recommended that design work and agreement work progress on this project in 2025, so that the tender package is complete and ready to go. Once the Town has a sense of the amount of borrowing it will require for the other projects happening this year, a decision on funding this project can be made. \$50,000 has been added to the budget, and the construction estimate has been removed.