

ENGINEERING 321

DEPARTMENT: Engineering

PROGRAM MANAGER: City Engineer

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Engineering Department partners with the Public Works and Water Utility Superintendents to plan, design, and maintain Franklin's public infrastructure — including streets, sanitary sewers, water systems, stormwater facilities, drainage systems, street lighting, parks, and City-owned lands. The department also manages equipment needed to support these systems.

Engineering works closely with seven functional areas: Engineering (321), Highway (331), Sanitary Sewer (Fund 61), Solid Waste Collection (Fund 19), Street Lighting (351), Parks (551), and Weed Control (361). Core activities include overseeing private development, issuing permits (fill, driveway approaches, stormwater management), and reviewing plans for new subdivisions and planned developments.

Interim Oversight: Since August 2024, the Director of Administration has served as the interim department head for Engineering. This role provides supervisory oversight and coordination of staff and contracted services to ensure continuity of operations. Core engineering functions continue to be performed by the contracted City Engineer and Assistant City Engineer, with support from the City's engineering staff.

STAFFING:

Authorized Positions (FTE)	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
City Engineer	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	N/A
Assistant City Engineer	1.00	1.00	1.00	N/A	N/A
Engineering Technician	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.00
Engineering Intern	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.30
Engineering Admin Assistant	1.50	1.50	1.50	2.00	0.50
Clerical Aide (pooled)	0.25	0.25	0.25	N/A	0.25
Temporary Summer Help	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.20
Total	8.25	8.25	8.25	7.50	4.25

Following the 2024 restructuring, the City Engineer and Assistant City Engineer positions are now filled through ongoing contractual services rather than permanent staff appointments

SERVICES:

- **Capital Improvement Planning:** Develop and manage the 5-year local road program; prepare plans and specifications for reconstruction projects.
- **Citizen & Staff Support:** Address drainage and construction concerns; provide administrative and engineering services to City divisions and departments.
- **Governance Support:** Provide technical and advisory support to the Common Council, Plan Commission, Board of Public Works, and Board of Water Commissioners.
- **Planning & Development:** Review development proposals, zoning submissions, and stormwater management plans; issue required permits.
- **Records & Mapping:** Maintain official maps, GIS inventories, and infrastructure records in partnership with Finance and other departments.

ACTIVITY MEASURES:

Activity	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Active Subdivisions/Developments	15	18	20	20	N/A
Certified Survey Maps	4	4	5	5	N/A
Concept Reviews	2	2	4	4	N/A
Condo Plats	2	1	4	2	N/A
Culvert Permits	20	24	25	25	N/A
Driveway Approach Permits	125	40	100	110	N/A
Easements	60	40	60	65	N/A
Fill Permits	15	5	10	10	N/A
Final Plats	5	4	5	5	N/A
Land Combinations	3	2	5	4	N/A
Plats of Survey Reviewed	90	60	125	125	N/A
Preliminary Plats	5	5	5	5	N/A
Property Drainage Concerns	10	15	20	20	N/A
Soil Disturbance Permits	15	5	10	10	N/A
Utility Permits	160	180	200	200	N/A

BUDGET SUMMARY:

For 2026, the Engineering Department is budgeted at 4.25 FTEs, reflecting a mix of permanent staff and supplemental support. This includes two full-time Tech IV positions (one filled and one vacant), one full-time Tech III, and a part-time Administrative Assistant. Clerical aides, an intern, and temporary summer help provide additional capacity. These resources operate under the Director of Administration's interim oversight, in coordination with contracted City Engineer and Assistant City Engineer services. This model strikes a balance between professional expertise and cost-efficient flexibility, enabling the management of seasonal workloads and project demands.

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GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2026 ORIGINAL BUDGET	2026 DEPT REQUEST BUDGET	2025 PROJECTED ACTIVITY	2025 AMENDED BUDGET	2024 ACTIVITY
PERSONAL SERVICES						
01-0321-5111	SALARIES-FT	184,741	262,745	222,414	555,788	452,873
01-0321-5113	SALARIES-PT		23,473		9,360	981
01-0321-5114	SEVERANCE PAYMENTS			37,576		
01-0321-5117	SALARIES-OT	500	500	9,000	500	3,169
01-0321-5118	COMPTIME TAKEN	2,000	2,000			1,702
01-0321-5133	LONGEVITY	150	150	315	565	640
01-0321-5134	HOLIDAY PAY	11,355	15,634	14,818	32,344	26,382
01-0321-5135	VACATION PAY	12,786	16,077	32,360	41,597	49,272
PERSONAL SERVICES		211,532	320,579	316,483	640,154	535,019
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS						
01-0321-5151	FICA	16,182	24,524	24,211	48,972	39,393
01-0321-5152	RETIREMENT	13,394	19,555	17,348	40,968	32,938
01-0321-5153	RETIREE GROUP HEALTH	337	474	377	1,043	1,515
01-0321-5154	GROUP HEALTH & DENTAL	31,255	56,767	49,566	110,687	93,076
01-0321-5155	LIFE INSURANCE	716	1,005	746	2,004	1,605
01-0321-5156	WORKERS COMPENSATION INS	3,399	5,209	5,169	5,442	6,697
01-0321-5199	ALLOCATED PAYROLL COST	(229,000)	(229,000)	(223,100)	(223,100)	(212,800)
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		(163,717)	(121,466)	(125,683)	(13,984)	(37,576)
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES						
01-0321-5216	ENGINEERING SERVICES	600,000	300,000	575,000	300,000	406,918
01-0321-5219	OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	9,842
01-0321-5242	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	2,800	2,800	4,815	2,800	4,329
01-0321-5257	SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	16,200	16,200	13,550	13,550	10,982
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		629,000	329,000	603,365	326,350	432,071
SUPPLIES						
01-0321-5312	OFFICE SUPPLIES	2,000	1,750	2,100	1,750	2,022
01-0321-5313	PRINTING	300	300	300	300	
01-0321-5329	OPERATING SUPPLIES	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,071
01-0321-5331	FUEL/LUBRICANTS	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,446
01-0321-5332	VEHICLE SUPPORT	1,500	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,534
SUPPLIES		7,000	7,250	7,600	7,250	7,073
SERVICES & CHARGES						
01-0321-5415	TELEPHONE	500	500	220	500	318
01-0321-5421	OFFICIAL NOTICES/ADVERTISING	1,000	1,000	500	1,000	223
01-0321-5422	SUBSCRIPTIONS	500	500		500	
01-0321-5424	MEMBERSHIPS/DUES	500	3,675	100	3,675	880
01-0321-5425	CONFERENCES & SCHOOLS	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,283
01-0321-5428	ALLOCATED INSURANCE COST	1,270	1,270	1,210	1,210	1,150
01-0321-5432	MILEAGE & TECHNOLOGY	500	500		500	
01-0321-5433	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	1,810
SERVICES & CHARGES		9,020	12,195	6,780	12,135	6,664
CLAIMS, CONTRIB. AND AWARDS						
01-0321-5726	EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION	400	400	400	400	349
CLAIMS, CONTRIB. AND AWARDS		400	400	400	400	349
Dept Total		693,235	547,958	808,945	972,305	943,600

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HIGHWAYS and PARKS

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DEPARTMENT: Highways and Parks

PROGRAM MANAGER: Public Works Superintendent

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Highways and Parks Department is responsible for constructing, operating, and maintaining the City's public infrastructure. This includes City streets, storm sewers, sidewalks, forestry, street signs, street lighting, public parks, bike trails, City-owned lands, and drainage ways.

Specifically, the department maintains:

- 185 miles of City streets
- 60 miles of sidewalk
- 16 parks
- Over 95 miles of storm sewers
- 3,450 catch basins and manholes
- 177 vehicles
- Public right-of-way land
- 5 Highway Department buildings
- 10,000+ curbside trees

The department also undertakes major special projects annually to reduce capital expenditures and save tax dollars.

SERVICES:

- **City Department Support:** Assist other departments with labor and equipment to reduce operating costs.
- **Crack Sealing:** Perform annual crack sealing to extend pavement lifespan.
- **Event Support:** Provide workforce support for City-sponsored events like the 4th of July and St. Martin's Fair.
- **Facility Maintenance:** Maintain buildings and grounds at the Public Works facility.
- **Fire Station Maintenance:** Maintain and landscape all City fire stations.
- **Fuel System Management:** Manage and maintain the fueling system for all City entities.
- **Groundskeeping:** Mow grass and weeds on rural roadsides and City-owned lands.
- **Litter & Animal Removal:** Pick up litter and remove animal carcasses from roadways and public areas.
- **Materials Storage:** Store materials for the Highway and other departments.
- **Park Maintenance:** Maintain park pavilions, park grounds, and trees, including dog stations & grass mowing.
- **Pavement & Lot Maintenance:** Perform annual pavement marking and maintain City parking lots.
- **Recycling Center Operations:** Manage the City of Franklin Recycling Center and handle wood mulch production/distribution for residential use.
- **Road & Sidewalk Repairs:** Conduct spot paving, pothole patching, curb/gutter repairs, and sidewalk maintenance.
- **Signage:** Repair and replace street signs, install new signage, and handle signage in new developments.

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- **Storm Sewer Maintenance:** Maintain and repair storm sewers, catch basins, and retention ponds.
- **Street Lighting:** Maintain City-owned street lighting systems.
- **Street Sweeping:** Sweep streets and parking lots in spring and fall.
- **Tree Maintenance:** Plant, remove, and trim/maintain all 10,000+ City trees.
- **Vehicle & Mechanical Maintenance:** Provide maintenance services for vehicles and equipment across departments, including Public Works, Police, and Fire.
- **Winter Services:** Remove snow and ice from City streets, parking lots, cul-de-sacs, and sidewalks.

STAFFING:

Authorized Positions (FTE)	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Superintendent	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Asst. Superintendent	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Mechanic	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Asst. Mechanic	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
2 nd Assistant Mechanic	N/A	N/A	1.00	1.00	1.00
Foreman	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Forester	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Arborist	N/A	N/A	1.00	1.00	1.00
Heavy Equipment Operator	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Light Equipment Operator	6.00	6.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Light Equipment Operator - Parks	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Laborer	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Seasonal Help-Highway	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Seasonal Help-Parks	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.35
DPW Deputy Clerk	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35	23.35

In 2024, three positions were retitled

Special Projects for 2026:

- Continue updates to LED street lighting.
- Ongoing roadside brush and tree removal for safety and road longevity.
- Re-ditching, culvert replacement, and road repairs as part of the 2026 Road Program.
- Tree removal and replanting efforts, with approximately 100 trees removed and 180 planted.
- Upgrades to the Ken Windl Pavilion and various City signage.

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MEASURES OF ACTIVITY AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT:

Activity - General Labor	2022 Hrs./%	2023 Hrs./%	2024 Hrs./%	2025 Hrs./%	2026 Hrs./%
City Parks	7,015/ 17%	6,590/ 15%	7,513/ 18%	7,513/ 18%	N/A
Clerical	1,718/ 4%	1,679/ 4%	1,798/ 4%	1,798/ 4%	N/A
Equipment Maintenance	4,487/ 11%	4,565/ 11.5%	3,209/ 8%	3,209/ 8%	N/A
Forestry, Street Lighting, City Land/Buildings/Dept Assist.	8,951/ 22%	11,356/ 27%	10,906/ 26%	10,906/ 26%	N/A
Misc.	727/ 2%	586/ 1%	844/ 2%	844/ 2%	N/A
Recycling	207/ 1%	230/ .5%	91/ 1%	91/ 1%	N/A
Street Maintenance	13,018/ 32%	13,795/ 32%	12,328/ 30%	12,328/ 30%	N/A
Supervision	4,223/ 10%	3,536/ 8%	3,836/ 9%	3,836/ 9%	N/A
Training	596/ 1%	497/ 1%	860/ 2%	860/ 2%	N/A

Activity - Forestry	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Curbside Trees	9,847	9,969	10,100	10,250	N/A
Trees Planted	80	150	302	180	N/A
Trees Pruned	770	1,600	1,017	1,600	N/A
Trees Removed – curbside	66	151	102	80	N/A
Trees Removed – rural	125	100	100	40	N/A

We will need to plant & replace more development trees as more developments are established
Grant funding was received, and those trees will need to be factored in for replacements

Activity - Highway	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Acres of Municipal Landscaping maintained	12.75	12.75	12.75	18.0	N/A
Catch basin/manholes repaired	160	107	50	50	N/A
Miles of Sidewalk	51	51	55	60	N/A
Miles of Streets	182	182	185	185	N/A
Street Lighting maintained	950	950	1,028	1,028	N/A
Street miles crack-sealed	20	20	15	20	N/A
Street Signs maintained	5,625	5,625	5,630	5,630	N/A
Vehicles maintained	177	177	177	177	N/A

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Activity - Parks	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Acreage of parks	274	274	274	274	N/A
Acres of Parks mowed/maintained "Active Parks"	85	85	87	87	N/A
Baseball field permits (4 fields)	160	134	90	0	0
Miles of bike trails are maintained	12.5	12.5	13.5	16.5	N/A
Park permits (5 pavilions)	139	160	161	161	N/A
Recreational Facilities Maintained	19	19	19	19	N/A

In 2025, baseball reservations were no longer required.

In 2024, we added 1 mile on Loomis Rd, and in 2025, we added 3 miles on HWY 100 of Bike trails.

The department is responsible for various infrastructure projects, seasonal road maintenance, and assisting other City departments in reducing overall costs.

BUDGET SUMMARY:

- 1) **Operating Costs:** Some operating accounts will slightly increase in 2026 due to general inflation and supply chain issues affecting necessary materials.
- 2) **Vehicle Replacement:** Delays in vehicle replacement have led to increased maintenance costs. The department requires additional funds to maintain aging equipment.

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Highway - Dept 331

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2026 ORIGINAL BUDGET	2026 DEPT REQUEST BUDGET	2025 PROJECTED ACTIVITY	2025 AMENDED BUDGET	2024 ACTIVITY
PERSONAL SERVICES						
01-0331-5111	SALARIES-FT	1,076,621	1,264,992	1,173,889	1,201,449	1,155,759
01-0331-5117	SALARIES-OT	56,406	56,406	51,582	59,705	28,596
01-0331-5118	COMPTIME TAKEN	25,000	25,000			26,955
01-0331-5133	LONGEVITY	1,680	1,740	1,690	1,840	1,640
01-0331-5134	HOLIDAY PAY	80,657	88,117	76,218	86,020	75,530
01-0331-5135	VACATION PAY	80,127	87,110	76,987	84,811	90,832
PERSONAL SERVICES		1,320,491	1,523,365	1,380,366	1,433,825	1,379,312
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS						
01-0331-5151	FICA	101,220	116,739	106,190	109,657	100,643
01-0331-5152	RETIREMENT	118,777	140,893	116,334	127,566	123,412
01-0331-5153	RETIREE GROUP HEALTH	7,402	8,639	6,777	10,184	10,129
01-0331-5154	GROUP HEALTH & DENTAL	209,404	266,786	206,969	237,805	215,967
01-0331-5155	LIFE INSURANCE	4,240	4,954	4,218	4,651	4,354
01-0331-5156	WORKERS COMPENSATION INS	25,809	30,029	28,217	21,387	22,318
01-0331-5199	ALLOCATED PAYROLL COST	(22,560)	(22,560)	(21,840)	(21,840)	(19,920)
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		444,292	545,480	446,865	489,410	456,903
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES						
01-0331-5236	PAVEMENT MARKING	100,000	100,000	112,000	112,000	108,753
01-0331-5245	RADIO MAINTENANCE	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	4,906
01-0331-5297	REFUSE COLLECTION	3,000	3,000	1,000	3,000	1,955
01-0331-5299	SUNDRY CONTRACTORS	43,700	43,700	27,000	43,700	41,683
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		149,700	149,700	143,000	161,700	157,297
SUPPLIES						
01-0331-5312	OFFICE SUPPLIES	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200	1,415
01-0331-5313	PRINTING	600	600	200	600	209
01-0331-5326	UNIFORMS	8,800	8,800	8,000	8,000	6,534
01-0331-5328	EDUCATION SUPPLIES	2,000	2,000	1,000	2,000	2,000
01-0331-5331	FUEL/LUBRICANTS	160,000	180,150	140,150	140,150	121,359
01-0331-5332	VEHICLE SUPPORT	250,000	250,000	225,850	225,820	221,747
01-0331-5342	CONSUMABLE TOOLS	27,000	27,000	27,000	27,000	33,763
01-0331-5343	SIGN SUPPLIES	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	15,114
01-0331-5345	OFF-ROAD MAINT. SUPPLIES	8,000	8,000	4,000	8,000	308
01-0331-5346	TRAFFIC SAFETY	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	5,741
01-0331-5347	SAFETY COMPLIANCE	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	13,510
01-0331-5355	CULVERT SUPPLIES	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
01-0331-5362	SAND DE-ICER	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	245
01-0331-5364	SALT DE-ICER	278,000	278,875	369,870	369,870	146,645
01-0331-5381	STREET MAINT. MATERIALS	150,000	150,000	160,371	160,371	87,937
01-0331-5382	EQUIPMENT ATTACHMENT REPLACEM	15,000	15,000	26,851	26,851	
SUPPLIES		968,600	989,625	1,032,492	1,037,862	671,527
SERVICES & CHARGES						
01-0331-5412	ELECTRICITY-TORNADO SIRENS	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	3,493
01-0331-5415	TELEPHONE	11,500	12,000	11,500	11,500	10,671
01-0331-5419	TRAFFIC SIGNAL ELECTRICITY	4,000	5,000	4,000	4,000	3,672
01-0331-5420	TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE	5,000	5,000	6,100	2,000	3,984
01-0331-5421	OFFICIAL NOTICES/ADVERTISING	750	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,622
01-0331-5424	MEMBERSHIPS/DUES	800	1,000	835	1,000	835
01-0331-5425	CONFERENCES & SCHOOLS	5,400	5,400	5,000	5,400	1,856
01-0331-5428	ALLOCATED INSURANCE COST	66,820	66,820	63,640	63,640	60,605
01-0331-5433	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	41,500	41,500	21,000	40,000	20,741
01-0331-5436	STORMWATER DISCHARGE PERMIT	12,700	12,700	12,500	12,500	12,390
01-0331-5437	LANDFILL DISPOSAL TAXES	5,000	5,000	3,000	5,000	2,100
SERVICES & CHARGES		158,970	161,920	135,075	152,540	121,969
FACILITY CHARGES						
01-0331-5551	WATER	3,500	3,500	3,400	3,000	1,718
01-0331-5552	ELECTRICITY	22,500	18,000	22,500	13,000	13,103
01-0331-5553	SEWER	3,500	3,500	2,200	13,500	12,045
01-0331-5554	NATURAL GAS	18,000	18,000	30,000	12,000	7,318
01-0331-5559	BUILDING MAINTENANCE-OTHER	58,700	58,700	60,000	55,000	53,658
FACILITY CHARGES		106,200	101,700	118,100	96,500	87,842
Dept Total		3,148,253	3,471,790	3,255,898	3,371,837	2,874,850

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Parks - Dept 551

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2026 ORIGINAL BUDGET	2026 DEPT REQUEST BUDGET	2025 PROJECTED ACTIVITY	2025 AMENDED BUDGET	2024 ACTIVITY
PERSONAL SERVICES						
01-0551-5111	SALARIES-FT	204,828	204,828	200,812	200,857	122,100
01-0551-5113	SALARIES-PT	16,336	16,336		13,519	
01-0551-5115	SALARIES-TEMP			15,184		14,173
01-0551-5117	SALARIES-OT	3,000	3,000	8,100	3,000	5,390
PERSONAL SERVICES		224,164	224,164	224,096	217,376	141,663
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS						
01-0551-5151	FICA	17,176	17,176	16,551	16,660	10,362
01-0551-5152	RETIREMENT	14,978	14,978	13,981	14,192	10,148
01-0551-5153	RETIREE GROUP HEALTH	1,249	1,249	1,064	1,547	915
01-0551-5154	GROUP HEALTH & DENTAL	52,604	56,695	52,604	31,579	22,947
01-0551-5155	LIFE INSURANCE	696	696	679	679	379
01-0551-5156	WORKERS COMPENSATION INS	4,608	4,608	4,673	3,394	2,386
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS		91,311	95,402	89,552	68,051	47,137
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES						
01-0551-5247	PARKS MAINTENANCE	75,000	75,000	90,485	90,486	53,552
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		75,000	75,000	90,485	90,486	53,552
SUPPLIES						
01-0551-5326	UNIFORMS	800	800	700	700	700
SUPPLIES		800	800	700	700	700
SERVICES & CHARGES						
01-0551-5415	TELEPHONE	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200	1,751
01-0551-5432	MILEAGE & TECHNOLOGY	1,900	1,900	2,000	2,000	2,188
SERVICES & CHARGES		4,100	4,100	4,200	4,200	3,939
FACILITY CHARGES						
01-0551-5551	WATER	3,300	3,900	2,200	3,300	2,532
01-0551-5552	ELECTRICITY	11,000	11,000	9,000	11,000	8,346
01-0551-5554	NATURAL GAS	6,400	6,400	4,100	6,400	4,083
FACILITY CHARGES		20,700	21,300	15,300	20,700	14,961
Dept Total		416,075	420,766	424,333	401,513	261,952

STREET LIGHTING

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DEPARTMENT: Street Lighting

PROGRAM MANAGER: Public Works Superintendent

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Street Lighting division is responsible for providing and maintaining street lighting throughout the City, ensuring safety and visibility for residents and commuters, particularly at critical intersections and along significant streets. Enhanced street lighting is provided in the following areas:

Street:	From:	To:
S. 27th Street	W. College Avenue	W. Villa Drive
S. 60th Street	W. Ryan Road	W. Franklin Drive
S. 76th Street	W. Loomis Road	W. Terrace Drive
W. College Avenue	S. 27th Street	3000 block
W. Drexel Avenue	S. 27th Street	S. 31st Street
Franklin Business Park	All	All
S. Legend Drive	W. Loomis Road	8100 Legend Drive
W. Loomis Road	City Hall area	
S. Lovers Lane Rd	W. College Avenue	W. Rawson Avenue
Northwestern Mutual Way	S. 27th Street	Parking structure
W. Oakwood Road	S. 27th Street	S. 34th Street
W. Rawson Avenue	W. Hawthorne Lane	S. 27th Street
S. Riverwood Drive	S. 27th Street	Goodwill Store
W. Ryan Road	S. 27th Street	S. 68th Street
Schlueter Parkway	W. Drexel Avenue	S. Legend Drive
W. Speedway Drive	S. Lovers Lane	W. Forest Home Avenue
W. Sycamore Street	S. 27th Street	West End
W. Wheaton Way	S. 27th Street	West

SERVICES:

- Maintain City-owned street lights along major streets.
- Manage contracts with WE Energies for leased street lights at intersections.
- Plan and order additional street lights for new developments.

City of Franklin, WI
2026 Street Lighting

STAFFING:

The Highway Department handles maintenance and management for the Street Lighting division. The staff has initiated a cost-saving program using unspent lighting budgets to purchase and install LED lights, replacing existing High-Pressure Sodium (HPS) bulbs. This initiative has resulted in energy savings of up to 20%, with payback periods ranging from 2 to 5 years. The focus is on replacing lights at intersections that remain on all night, followed by other City-owned and WE Energies-leased lights. Additionally, the division has initiated a GPS-based inventory of streetlights, identifying opportunities to remove unnecessary lights and further reduce costs.

ACTIVITY MEASURES:

Activity	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
City-Owned Street Lights	1937	1937	2015	2015	N/A
Rental (WE Energies)	860	860	865	870	N/A

Future lighting projects on S. Lovers Lane Road could impact the totals, but specific figures are currently unavailable.

This does not include lighting owned and maintained by the City for various departments, which include Police (120), Library (25), City Hall (40), and DPW (50).

In 2024/2025, we saw increases in numbers due to Cape Crossing Subdivision & Hwy 100 Reconstruction.

City of Franklin, WI
Street Lighting - Dept 351

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2026 ORIGINAL BUDGET	2026 DEPT REQUEST BUDGET	2025 PROJECTED ACTIVITY	2025 AMENDED BUDGET	2024 ACTIVITY
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES						
01-0351-5246	MAINTENANCE SERVICE	80,000	80,000	112,517	112,517	37,600
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		80,000	80,000	112,517	112,517	37,600
FACILITY CHARGES						
01-0351-5537	STREET LIGHT RENTAL	200,000	200,000	185,000	200,000	180,215
01-0351-5539	BUSINESS PARK UTILITIES	15,000	15,000	12,500	15,000	12,299
01-0351-5540	TUCKAWAY SHORES ST LIGHTING	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	1,200
01-0351-5552	ELECTRICITY	125,000	110,000	123,000	95,000	109,045
FACILITY CHARGES		342,400	327,400	322,900	312,400	302,759
Dept Total		422,400	407,400	435,417	424,917	340,359

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WEED CONTROL
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DEPARTMENT: Weed Control

PROGRAM MANAGERS: City Clerk and Weed Commissioner

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

City ordinances and state statutes prohibit noxious weeds from growing beyond certain heights. The weed commissioner is responsible for inspecting and responding to weed ordinance complaints. If weeds are not cut, the weed cutter is used to remove the vegetation, and the property owner is charged for the cost of the weed cutting.

STAFFING:

Actual cutting was done through a contracted service through 2024. In 2025, with no applicants for the Weed Commissioner position, the City staff at the Department of Public Works took over the cutting duties.

ACTIVITY MEASURES:

Activity	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Weed cutting invoices	21	7	11	12	N/A
Weed notifications	64	69	66	69	N/A

The 2025 estimates are based on previous years' data, adjusted for anomalies
Weed invoices contain various hours of cutting per invoice

City of Franklin, WI
Weed Cutting - Dept 361

GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	2026 ORIGINAL BUDGET	2026 DEPT REQUEST BUDGET	2025 PROJECTED ACTIVITY	2025 AMENDED BUDGET	2024 ACTIVITY
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES						
01-0361-5237	WEED CUTTING	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,455
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES		4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,455
SERVICES & CHARGES						
01-0361-5421	OFFICIAL NOTICES/ADVERTISING	150	150	150	150	70
SERVICES & CHARGES		150	150	150	150	70
Dept Total		4,150	4,150	4,150	4,150	4,525