

Auburn City Council Meeting, March 14, 2024

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 14, 2024 5:00 P.M.
City Council Chambers
Memorial City Hall
24 South St.
Auburn, NY 13021**

Minutes

The meeting of the Auburn City Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m. from the City Council Chambers, 24 South St. Auburn, NY by Mayor James N. Giannettino, Jr..

ROLL CALL – The City Clerk called the roll. Mayor Giannettino and Councilor Ginny Kent, Councilor Rhoda Overstreet-Wilson, Councilor Terry Cuddy and Councilor Christina Calarco were present.

The following City Staff was present for the meeting:

- City Manager, Jeff Dygert
- City Clerk, Chuck Mason
- Assistant Corporation Counsel, Tim Brennan
- Police Chief, Jim Slayton
- Comptroller, Mary Beth Leeson
- City Engineering Office: Scott McIntyre
- Assistant to the Mayor and City Council, Rhonda Miller

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Mayor Giannettino led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silent Prayer or Reflection – Mayor Giannettino asked for a moment of silent prayer.

Public Announcements –

The City Budget preparation webpage has been added to the City website and can be located at this link: www.auburnny.gov/budget

Planning is underway for the Summer Recreation Program for Children in the City's parks. Information of the Summer of 2023 program was sent by email to the members of City Council for their review, as well as, the information can be found at the City website page: www.auburnny.gov/summerrec If members of City Council have any input for the Summer 2024 program they are asked to provide that to the City Manager and the Director of Public Works.

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Ceremonial Presentations –

Public to be heard: The City Clerk read the rules for Public To Be Heard. The following individuals spoke: Andrew Bishop spoke regarding topics pertaining to Owasco Lake.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – none

Reports of City Officials

City Manager's Report –

- The city is currently accepting bids for construction services for the Auburn City Court Expansion Project. Bids are due back April 16. More information is available on the city webpage under the link “Bids/RFPs.”
- Mayor Giannettino and I attended a ribbon cutting at Auburn Community Hospital earlier today. The hospital is celebrating its new addition and the first unit of its kind to be put into service in the US, an Abbott Technology h-series Core Laboratory. The device will provide specialty blood screening for a broader range of blood disorders while also reducing turn around times for results from over two hours to less than twenty minutes.
- Next Thursday morning, we will be taking part in the annual State of The City/County address at the Auburn Public Theater.

Reports from members of Council –

- Councilor Overstreet Wilson reported on some upcoming Women's History Month themed panel discussions that she will participate in. The event will be held at CCC room M214 on Tuesday, March 19th at 1pm and at 5pm.

Matters to Come Before Council -

A. State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR) – none

B. Ordinances – none

C. Local Laws – none

D. Resolutions – none

E. Staff or Vendor Presentations –

- Road Program 2024 Presentation - Scott McIntyre, Engineering
- Lake Ave. Bridge Presentation - Scott McIntyre, Engineering and representatives from C&S Engineering

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TABLED ITEMS – none

OTHER BUSINESS – none

ADJOURNMENT: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m..

Minutes submitted by: Chuck Mason, City Clerk

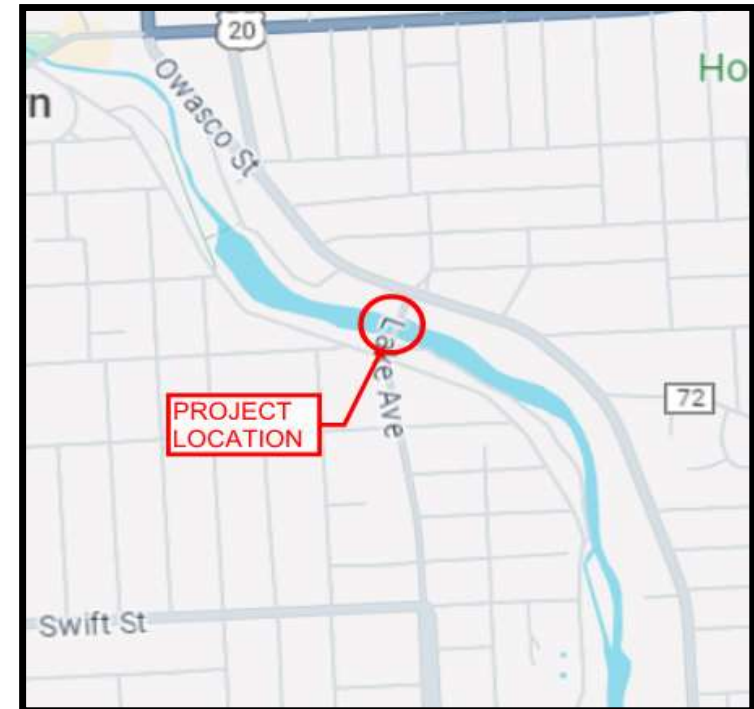
PROJECT
UPDATES
3/14/2024



Lake Avenue Bridge Rehabilitation
Standart Ave Intersection Improvements

Lake Ave Over the Owasco River (PIN 375693)

- ◆ Locally Administered Federal Aid Project (City of Auburn, NYSDOT, FHWA)
- ◆ Bridge Rehabilitation
Lake Avenue, between Osborne Street and Owasco Street
- ◆ Project Eligible for Reimbursement (Federal/Bridge NY Program)
- ◆ Supplemental Local Funding Required



History

- ♦ Build in 1954
- ♦ 1985 – Last Bridge Deck Replacement
- ♦ 2002 – Last Major Rehabilitation
 - ◇ Repaired piers and abutments
 - ◇ Replaced bearings at abutments
 - ◇ Replaced Bridge Joints



Project Objectives

- ◆ Extend the structure service life by 25 years
- ◆ Reduce life-cycle maintenance costs
 - ◇ Move joints off the bridge



Project Objectives

- ◆ Improve overall condition
 - ◇ Repair steel girders
 - ◇ Replace sidewalk and support steel



Traffic Detour Vs Staged Construction



- ◆ Discussed in depth at Public meeting held on February 6th, 2024
- ◆ One season (Detour) vs Two seasons (Staged)
- ◆ Detour Preferred Alternative
- ◆ Coordinating with School District & Emergency Services

LEGEND

- NORTHBOUND DETOUR
- SOUTHBOUND DETOUR
- - - PEDESTRIAN DETOUR



Where Are We Now?

- ◆ Public Meeting held on February 6th, 2024
- ◆ Draft Design Approval Document – reviewed by NYSDOT
- ◆ Final Design Approval Document – Submitting Early March
- ◆ Anticipated Design Approval – Late March/Early April
- ◆ On to Final Design....



Project Funding

- ◆ Why is there a funding gap?
 - ◇ BridgeNY application completed with available inspection reports at the time
 - ◇ 100% hands on, in-depth inspection revealed much higher level of deterioration
- ◆ Proposed Revenue Sources:
 - ◇ FY24-25 NYS State Touring Route (STR) Funds- \$1,000,000
 - ◇ 2024 Application to Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC)- \$1,000,000
 - ◇ Balance would need to be General Municipal Bond and/ or some level of future NYS STR funds.

Exhibit 1-5 Total Project Funding	
Source	Funding \$
BridgeNY Program Funding ⁽¹⁾	\$ 4.907 M
Additional Construction and Construction Inspection Cost Funded by City of Auburn	\$ 4.051 M
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	\$ 8.958 M

⁽¹⁾ BridgeNY grants have typically been capped at \$5M maximum.



What's Next

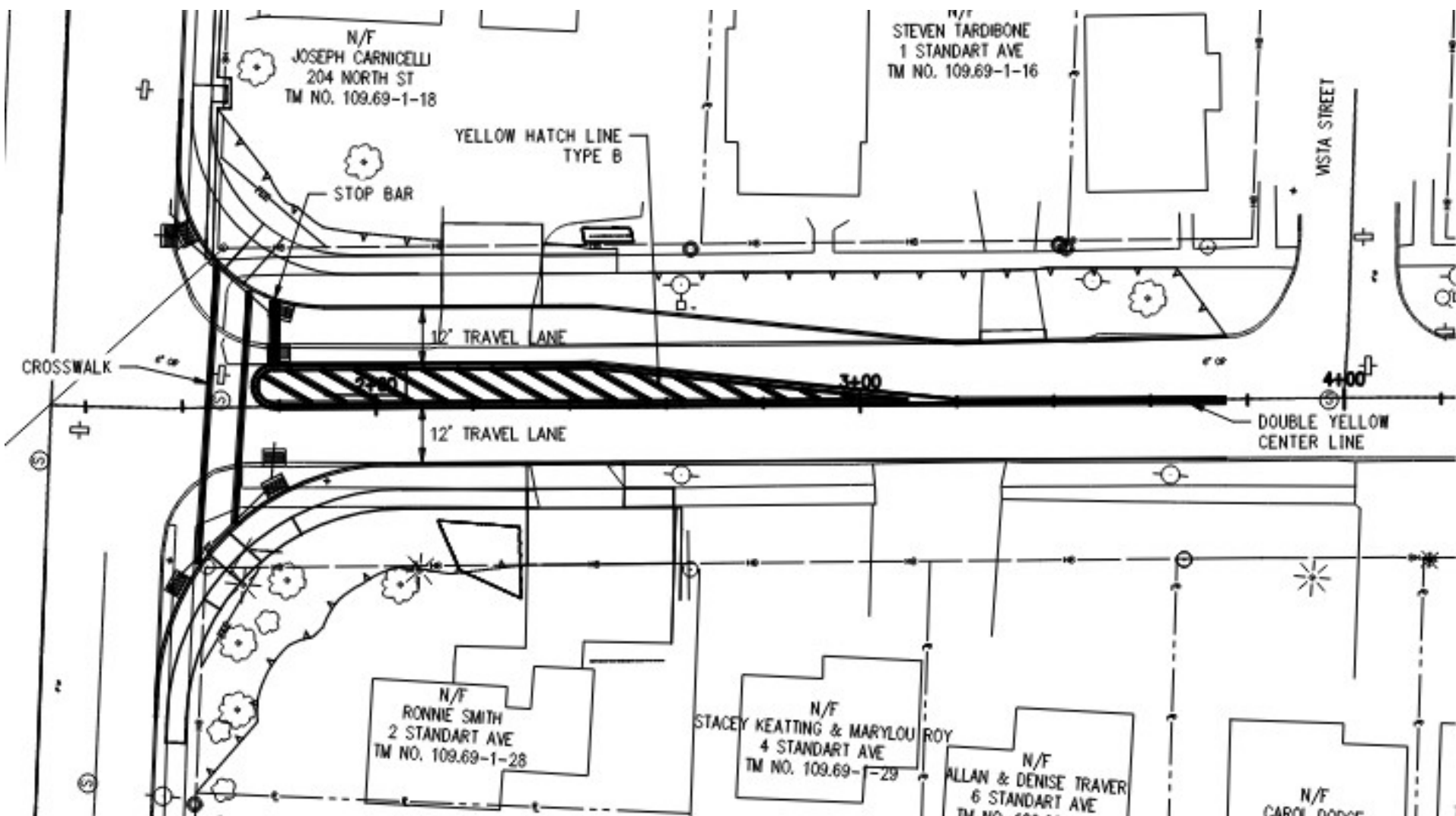
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| ◆ Final Contract Documents | June 2024 |
| ◆ Obligation of Funds | August/September 2024 |
| ◆ Approval to Advertise | October 2024 |
| ◆ Bid Opening | Mid December 2024 |
| ◆ Award | January 2025 |
| ◆ Construction Begins | March/April 2025 |
| ◆ Construction Ends | December 2025 |



Standart Ave Intersection Improvements

- ◆ Local Project
- ◆ Intersection widening
- ◆ Curb/Sidewalk reconstruction
- ◆ Tree removals
- ◆ Drainage improvements
- ◆ ROW Acquisition
- ◆ Coordination with NYSDOT (Signal)
- ◆ North Street future development







What's Next

- ◆ Continued coordination with DOT signal project (anticipated 2026/2027 construction)
- ◆ Prepare Take-Line Maps to progress ROW process (Title searches, appraisals, property owner discussions, etc)
- ◆ Complete environmental review & bid documents
- ◆ Anticipate bidding later this year for Spring 2025 construction
- ◆ Bidding schedule is dependent on ROW process





City of Auburn

2024 Road Program

Presented By: Scott McIntyre
Auburn Department of Engineering Services

Road Improvement Project Goal

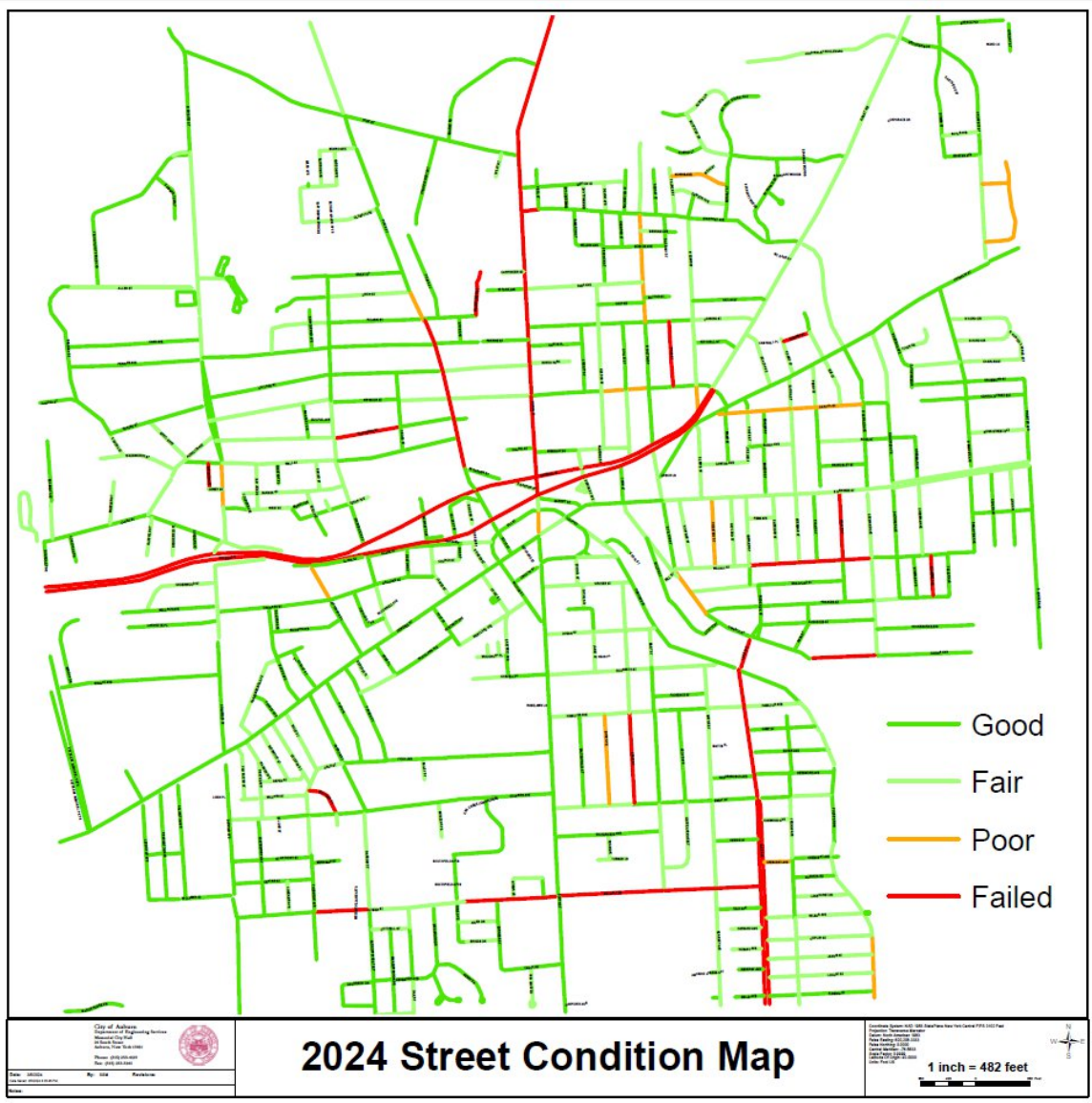
Repair and Maintain the Streets of Auburn to
Good and Fair Condition while Utilizing
Available Funding in a Responsible and
Efficient Manor.

State Funding Reimbursement

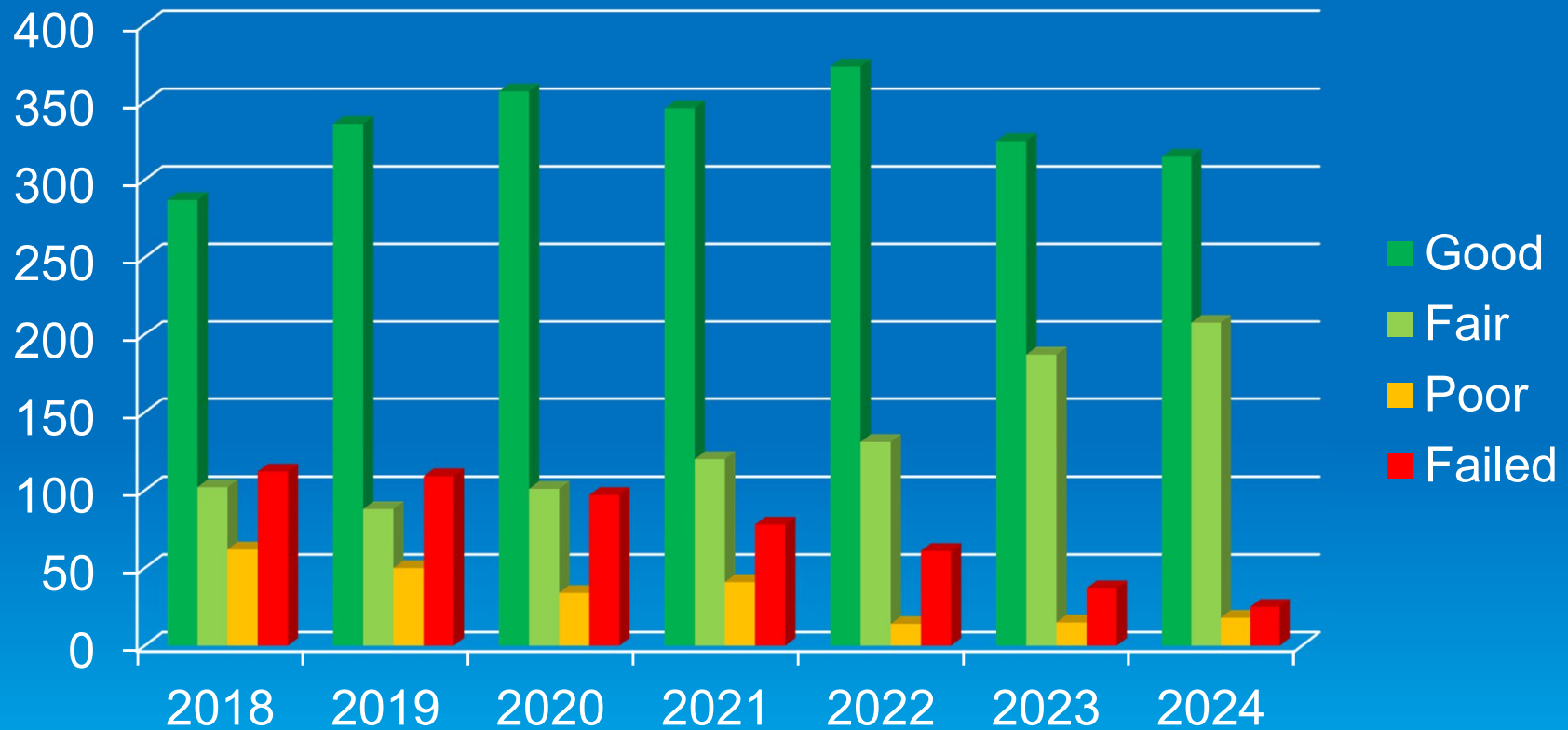
Funding Source	2021	2022	2023	2024
CHIPS	\$755,624.70	\$755,091.21	\$838,584.48	Funding Determined by NYS Budget April 2024
Pave NY	\$210,209.28	\$210,026.62	\$209,508.47	
EWR	\$141,677.66	\$141,677.66	\$141,677.66	
POP		\$140,017.75	\$139,672.31	
STR	\$1,540,275.44	\$1,540,275.44	\$2,156,385.56	
Total State Funding	\$2,647,787.08	\$2,787,088.68	\$3,485,828.48	Projected to Remain at 2022 Level

State Funding Allocations

Project	Cost
6 Wheel Dump W/Plow and Hopper	\$250,000
Medium Duty Dump W/Plow and Hopper	\$125,000
Loader	\$225,000
2024 Annual Road Program	\$1,436,657.10
City Sidewalk Replacement Program	\$150,000
Lake Ave Bridge	\$1,000,000
Standart Ave North St Int Widening	\$335,000
Projects Cost Total:	\$3,521,657.10
Potential Available New Funding:	\$2,786,225.09
Roll Over Balance:	\$735,432.01
Total Funding Available:	\$3,521,657.10



Street Condition Trend



Quadrant Based Road Program





City of Auburn

2024 Road Improvement Program - Proposed Resurfacing List

Base Contract:

Quadrant	Rating	STREET	FROM	TO	Last Work Date
SE	Failed	Havens Ave	Owasco St	S. Seward St	1991
SE	Failed	Maple St	E. Genesee St	Walnut St	1996
SE	Failed	Metcalf Dr	LakeAve	South St	2006
SE	Failed	Pulsifer Dr	Copley St	Fleming St	1994
SE	Failed	Scammel Ave	Frances St	Walnut St	1996
SE	Failed	Steel St	Hamilton Ave	Swift St	1996
SE	Failed	Walnut St	Howard St	S. Seward Ave	2008

Alternate Streets:

NE	Failed	Standart Ave	North St	Vista St	2017
SE	Failed	Chestnut St	E Genesee St	Walnut St	1987
NW	Failed	State St	Seymour St	VanAnden St	2006

Misc. Contract Work:

City-Owned Property Potential Project List
Rear Access to Waste Water Treatment Plant
Lower Pump Station Pulsifer Drainage
Dill St Parking Lot - Seal

County Bid Work/Large Patches/RR Crossings
Washington St RR Crossing
Microsurfacing Manhole Adjustments
Various Large Patch Locations City Wide
Manhole and Catchbasin Frame and Cover/Grates
Arterial East T&L Shim

2024 Road Improvement Project Proposed Funding Breakdown

\$	1,200,000	Resurfacing Program
\$	150,000	Microsurfacing
\$	50,000	Crack Sealing
\$	36,000	County Bid Work
\$	150,000	City Sidewalk Program

\$	1,586,000	Total 2024 Road Improvement Program
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State of The State Arterial System

- The Condition of the State Arterial System is Poor
- NYSDOT is currently working on a project to repave the Arterial East and Arterial West (State Route 5&20) from the West City line to Standart Avenue. In Design, FY 2025 Construction. ≈ \$18 Million
- The NYSDOT Arterial Project will replace all stormwater infrastructure, add intelligent traffic signal controls, replace most curbing, and replace the top 3.5” of blacktop.
- The City and State Arterial Maintenance Inspection
 - Temporarily repair pavement between Route 326 and Columbus St
 - Repaint traffic lines
- Fingerlakes Railway is Repaving North St and Replacing Arterial Crossings in 2024.

Future Transportation Projects

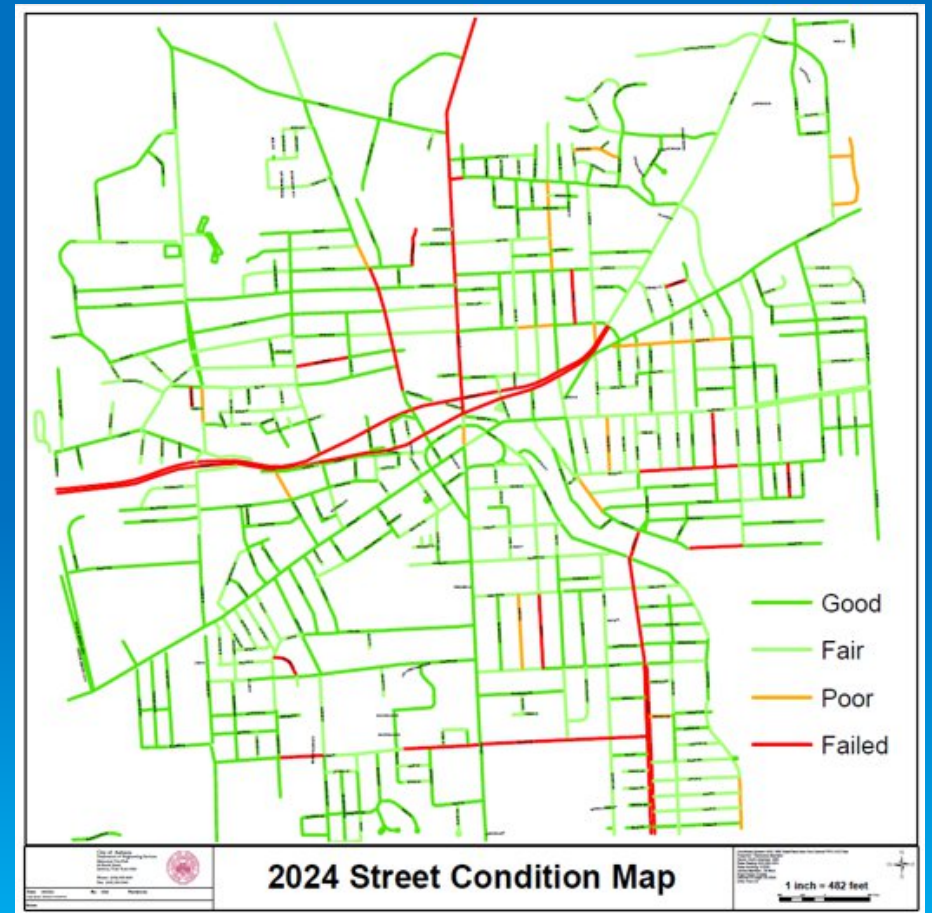
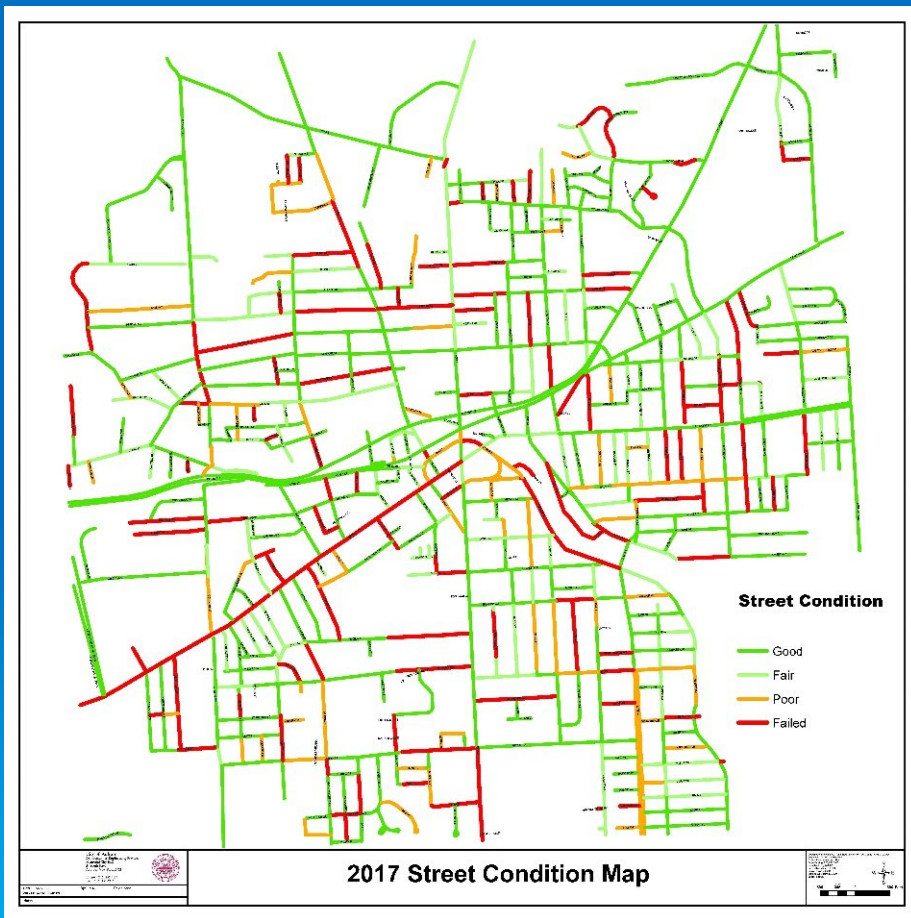
Locally Administered Federal Aid Projects (LAFAP)

- Aurelius Ave Bridge Replacement – Construction 2025-2026
- Lake Ave Bridge Rehabilitation – Construction 2025
- Lake Ave – South City Line to Osborne St Repaving – Construction 2026

NYSDOT Project

- NYSDOT Arterial East and West – West City Line to Standart Ave – Construction 2025

2017 to 2024 Comparison





Questions ?