



OurCity Academy Series

All sessions are at GRPS Parent University, 1400 Fuller NE; Room 143

5:00pm - 6:30pm

Dinner is served at 5:00pm; Sessions begin at 5:15pm

Sept. 17 **“City government – its internal structure and how it works”**
Presenter: Tom Almonte, Managing Director of Public Services

How do decisions get made in city government? Learn how city commission works and how departments are organized to create a first class city.

Oct. 1 **“Neighborhood Services & Resources”**
Presenter: Connie Bohatch, Managing Director of Community Development Services

Learn about the services and resources Community Development offers city residents in housing, lead abatement, home loans, code enforcement, and in building great neighborhoods!

Oct. 15 **“Public Works for an environmentally clean city”**
Presenters: James Hurt, Public Service Director

Public Works use the latest cutting edge technology for waste, recycling, and street management. Find out how they are working to make the City of Grand Rapids one of the most sustainable cities in the United States.

Oct. 29 **“Public Safety presented by the new Chief of Police”**
Presenter: Eric Payne, Chief of Police

What makes a safe community? What steps will the Police Department take to address community concerns? Hear directly from our new Chief!