

# Why are many of our streets in disrepair?



Community members often ask why so many Temple City streets are in disrepair. The answer? Money.

Federal funding and local taxes generate \$1.4 million a year for road repairs—not nearly enough to keep up with the reconstruction and maintenance of Temple City’s 72-mile street network. Streets also have a limited lifespan, and the longer they fall into disrepair, the more it costs to fix them.

Below are some common street repair questions that are asked at City Hall. We hope they explain some of the challenges of maintaining Temple City streets.

## **Are there plans to get my street paved?**

Due to a lack of funding, there is not a citywide schedule for street resurfacing. Street repairs are prioritized annually based on a number of factors, including current condition, traffic volume and connection to major streets. Most repairs focus on preventative maintenance—like applying a slurry seal to those streets in good to fair condition—to prolong the life of street surfaces and reduce long-term maintenance costs.

## **What is the general condition of streets in town today?**

The general condition of streets is measured using the Pavement Condition Index, or PCI, which rates streets on a scale from 0 to 100. A brand-new street would be rated at 100, while a failed street in very poor condition would be rated at 25 or below. Temple City streets have an average rating of 58 (fair condition), yet for residential streets, that number falls to 47 (poor condition). This is lower than the statewide average of 65 and the countywide average of 67.

## **What happens if we don’t fund improvements?**

At the current funding level, the city’s street conditions will continue to decline, leading to many more failed streets. Maintaining the current condition of all streets citywide would require \$2.5 million annually.

## **If we invest in our streets, how much will our streets improve?**

To improve Temple City’s streets from the current fair condition of 58 to a good condition of 75 over the next 10 years would require \$5.2 million annually, or roughly \$3 million more than current (annual) funding levels.

## **Is the City looking to identify new funding sources?**

Although the City has utilized grants to assist with improving streets, these funding sources are not sustainable. The City is exploring the possibility of inviting the community to vote on a measure mandating a \$300-per-year parcel tax to fund road repairs. If the measure passes by 66%, the tax would generate \$30 million over the next 10 years and likely boost Temple City’s PCI rating to 75 (good condition).

## **How can I learn more?**

For more information, visit [templecity.us/pmp](http://templecity.us/pmp) or contact City Manager Bryan Cook at (626) 285-2171, ext. 4105.



# 为什么我们许多的街道都年久失修？

经常会有社区成员问为什么天普市这么多的街道都处于失修状态。答案就是经费不足。

联邦资金和地方税每年所拨出用于道路维修的140万美元完全不足以弥补天普市72英里街道网络的重建以及维护。街道的使用寿命也有限，而且街道失修越久修复的费用就越高。

以下是市府在进行街道维修时经常遇见的一些问题。希望这些答案能够向各位解释天普市在街道维修上所面临的一些挑战。

## 我住的街是否已有铺路计划？

由于经费不足，因此我们没有一个全市的街道重铺计划。每年街道的维修优先顺序是根据多种因素而定，包括当前道路状况、交通流量以及是否连接到主要街道上。大多数维修都集中在预防性养护上，例如在状况良好的街道上施加沥青浆密封以便延长街道表面的寿命并且降低长期维修成本。

## 目前市内街道的总体情况如何？

道路的总体状况是根据路面状况指数（Pavement Condition Index，简称为PCI）而定。这个指数会给每一条街评0到100之间的分数。一条全新的街道的评分为100分，而一条状况极差的街道则是在25分或以下。天普市街道的平均评分为58，也就是状况一般。但是住宅区内的街道指数却下降到47，也就是状况不佳。该分数低于全州平均的65分以及全县平均的67分。

## 若是我们没有经费改进会怎么办？

以目前的经费状况来说，天普市的街道状况将继续下降，导致更多街道恶化。要维持全市所有街道的现状每年需要花费250万美元。

## 如果我们对街道进行投资可以将它们改善多少？

在未来的十年内要将天普市的街道从目前58分的状况一般改善到75分的状况良好，每年需要花费520万美元，比现在的年度经费要高出约300万美元。

## 天普市是否正在寻求新的资金来源？

尽管天普市有利用补助金来帮助改善街道，但此类资金来源并非永久性的。天普市正在探讨邀请社区进行投票，想透过一个每年增加300美元地产税的法案来取得道路维修的经费。如果这个法案获得超过66%的投票率，它将为天普市在未来的十年内带来一共三千万美元的经费，并可为天普市提供增加PCI评分到75分良好状况的机会。

## 我该如何查询更多的信息？

欲知详情就请上天普市的官方网站 [templecity.us/pmp](http://templecity.us/pmp) 查询，或是与天普市市经理Bryan Cook联络，他的电话号码是(626)285-2171，分机4105。