

AGENDA

DGRI BOARD OF ADVISORS



Members:

Stephanie Andrews • Monica App • Rick Baker • Shaun Biel • Charles Burke • Jorge Gonzalez • Brian Harris • Nikos Monoyios • Doug Small • Eddie Tadlock • Randy Thelen • Al Vanderberg • Mark Washington • Kara Wood • Rick Winn

January 23, 2025 2:00p
29 Pearl Street NW (DGRI Offices)

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| 1. Call to Order (2:00) | | Harris |
| 2. Approval of December 19, 2024 Minutes (2:01)
(enclosed) | Motion(s) | Harris |
| 3. Board Member Appointment (2:05)
(enclosed) | Motion | Kelly |
| 4. Greenway Subrecipient Grant Agreement (2:10)
(enclosed) | Motion | Guy |
| 5. President & CEO Report (2:15) | Info | Kelly |
| 6. Board Member Discussion (2:20) | Info | Board |
| 7. Public Comment (2:25) | | |
| 8. Closed Session a closed session under section 8(1)(h)
of the Open Meetings Act to consider material exempt
from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute
– a written legal opinion (2:30) | Info | Staff |
| 9. Adjournment (3:00) | | |



Board of Advisors Meeting
December 19, 2024

1. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 2:03 pm by Chair Brian Harris.

Attendance:

Members Present: Rick Baker (virtual), Mayor Rosalynn Bliss, Shaun Biel, Kayem Dunn, Jorge Gonzalez, Brian Harris, Nikos Monoyios, Mark Washington, Rick Winn (left after agenda item #8), Al Vanderberg, Stephanie Andrews, Doug Small

Members Absent: Monica App, Charles Burke, Kara Wood, Eddie Tadlock, Randy Thelen

Others Present: Tim Kelly (President & CEO), Mandy McDaniel (Recording Secretary), Jessica Wood (Legal Counsel), Catlin Whittington (ArtPrize), and Andy Guy (DGRI Staff).

2. Approve of Meeting Minutes
 - a. September 19, 2024
 - b. November 25, 2024 (Special Meeting)
 - c. November 25, 2024 (Regular Meeting #1)
 - d. November 25, 2024 (Regular Meeting #2)

Motion: Member Biel, supported by Mayor Bliss, moved to approve Meeting minutes from September 19, 2025, and November 25, 2024. The motion carried unanimously.

3. ArtPrize 2024 Overview

Whittington presented the success of ArtPrize, highlighting statistics such as 1 million website views, a notable increase in voters, and significant engagement with the community, including 1,008 artists and 2.3 million visitors. ArtPrize distributed \$200,000 in grants and \$400,000 in cash awards to artists while engaging 2,777 students and providing 5 paid internships. This year, there has also been growth in website visits, social media interactions, and extensive media coverage, with 27 new sponsors joining in 2024 and strong volunteer support contributing over 1,300 hours.

Member Washington highlighted the 2.3 million visitors and its significance to the city. He continued by congratulating Whittington and the whole ArtPrize team on the accomplishment. Given the importance of this festival, it was deemed worth preserving. Mayor Bliss also expressed appreciation for the ArtPrize and its partners.

4. Greenway Investment Recommendation and Subrecipient Grant Agreement

Guy presented a refresher on fund prioritization for Greenway Funding, highlighting the partnership between GRN and DGRI. In 2023, the initial tranche of funding was approved, preserving \$9 million for later allocation, which is now designated as tranche 2. Several projects were discussed, including the development of trails and an underpass concept, with a significant focus on ensuring timely progress and accountability among project partners. Additional funding recommendations include:

- Adding \$17,839 to the Leonard to Ann project, bringing the total contribution to \$2,459,605.
- Adding \$7,018,530 for the Fulton to Wealthy Street railroad segments, bringing the total contribution to \$17,018,530.
- \$500,000 for enhancements at Johnson Park
- \$250,000 for planning improvements on Indian Mounds Drive.

Ultimately, Tranche 2 contributions total \$7.7 million to advance projects, with \$1.1 million reserved for future needs pending contractor evaluations. Today's first request is to approve the revised Greenway Grant Investment Priority Plan. The second request is to authorize the DGRI Board chair to amend existing subrecipient agreements.

Motion: Member Vanderberg, supported by Member Winn, moved to Accept and support the revised Greenway Grant Investment Priority Plan recommended by the Grand River Network and their Greenway Advisory Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Member Vanderberg, supported by Member Winn, moved to Authorize the DGRI Chair to execute an amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between DGRI and the City of Grand Rapids. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Grand River Network Funding Request

Guy reminded the Board of the GRN Equity Framework, which the board has endorsed. One recommendation is establishing an independent stakeholder body to review the goals and develop a data collection system to monitor the key performance indicators (KPIs).

For this initiative, we are requesting funding not to exceed \$200,000 to get the work started. We are currently designing a proposal for what this body could look like and will make recommendations on how it will operate.

Additionally, we have a second request: we wish to continue our partnership with Carbon Stories to document the current state of the river corridor visually. Over the next year, we aim to build a content library that aligns with our work. We have received a grant from the Great Lakes Fishery Commission (GLFC) and request funding authorization not exceeding \$120,000.

We will start to see the visual effects of Carbon Stories in the first quarter of next year.

Motion: Member Dunn, supported by Mayor Bliss, moved to Authorize the President/CEO or his designee to execute a contract with ConnectUS not to exceed \$200,000 annually in support of Grand River Equity Framework implementation. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Mayor Bliss, supported by Member Winn, moved to Authorize the President/CEO or his designee to execute a contract with Carbon Stories not to exceed \$120,000 annually in support of Grand River revitalization marketing. The motion carried unanimously.

6. DGRI Whistleblower Policy

Kelly stated that the Executive Committee had reviewed today's proposed Whistleblower policy. To follow best practices and have procedures in place, there is a policy in place for staff, but this extends to board members.

Member Washington suggested a change to the proposed reporting procedure making sure that when appropriate notifications would start with the President & CEO before being brought to the Chair of DGRI or the Board of Advisors.

Motion: Member Washington, supported by Mayor Bliss, moved to adopt the DGRI Whistleblower Policy with a change to the procedural order to encourage staff and board members to speak with the President & CEO before going to the Board Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

7. 2025 Meeting Calendar

Kelly presented the 2025 meeting Calendar.

Motion: Member Vanderberg, supported by Mayor Bliss, moved to approve the 2025 meeting Calendar. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Vice Chair Election

Kelly stated we need to elect a new Vice Chair. Member Monica-Steimle App has agreed to be advanced by the Executive Committee.

Motion: Member Vanderberg, supported by Member Biel, moved to approve the nomination of Monica Steimle-App as the new Vice Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

Kelly announced that this is Member Dunn's final meeting. She is not leaving the DGRI family, as she will still be participating in the DDA and GRN boards. Kelly added that Member Dunn is an original member of the board and helped set up DGRI.

Member Dunn added it had been a pleasure to be involved and will continue to serve other boards and activities.

Chair Harris expressed his gratitude to member Dunn – he joined the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) when she served as Chair. Dunn led a committee to create Downtown Grand Rapids Inc. (DGRI) and also contributed to the Downtown Alliance. Through her vision, we began to realize that there is much more to Downtown beyond City Hall. She helped establish six different Alliances to gather valuable input on what enhancements should be made to improve Downtown for living and recreational purposes. Her efforts were instrumental in developing collaborative recommendations for the future of the organization.

9. President & CEO Report

Kelly gave the following updates:

- Final meeting for Mayor Bliss. Will be staying on the DDA board.
- Studio Park Tower is now open.
- Acrisure Amphitheater construction continues.
- The [World of Winter](#) Festival Opening Celebration is January 11.
- DGRI staff plans to begin updating GR Forward in 2025, starting with a speaker series and gathering feedback. Board member ideas and suggestions are welcome.

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

10. Board Member Discussion

Member Vanderberg announced that the City Manager, Mark Washinton, has chosen to remain in his position in Grand Rapids.

11. Public Comment

None.

12. Closed Session at 3:05 pm

Member Monoyios made a motion to enter into a closed session under section 8(1)(h) of the Open Meetings Act to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute—a written legal opinion.

Roll Call:

Yay: Rick Baker, Mayor Rosalynn Bliss, Shaun Biel, Kayem Dunn, Jorge Gonzalez, Brian Harris, Nikos Monoyios, Mark Washington, Al Vanderberg, Stephanie Andrews, Doug Small

Absent: Monica App, Charles Burke, Kara Wood, Eddie Tadlock, Randy Thelen, Rick Winn

Member Vanderberg moved to exit closed session and enter open session. Member Biel seconded; Motion carried unanimously.

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:14 pm.

Minutes taken by:

Mandy McDaniel

Recording Secretary



MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 23, 2025

TO: DGRI Board of Advisors

FROM: Tim Kelly, AICP
DGRI President & CEO

SUBJECT: Item #3 – Board Member Appointment

The charge of the Downtown Grand Rapids Inc. (DGRI) Board of Advisors is to provide a “long-term focus on visionary, collective impact, leadership and advocacy related to Downtown Grand Rapids”. The bylaws allow for no less than 12 and no more than 20 Advisors at a given time, and the Board may decide to add members at any meeting. Currently there are 15 Advisors on the Board. Following discussions with the Executive Committee, it is recommended that City of Grand Rapids Mayor David LaGrand be appointed to the Board of Advisors.

RECOMMENDATION:

Appoint City of Grand Rapids Mayor David LaGrand to the DGRI Board of Advisors as recommended by the DGRI Executive Committee.



MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 17, 2025

TO: DGRI Board of Advisors

FROM: Andy Guy
DGRI COO

SUBJECT: First Amendment to Greenway Grant Agreement with Kent County

The State of Michigan in March 2022 awarded Downtown Grand Rapids Inc. (DGRI) \$55,000,000 to support the development of the Grand River Greenway in Grand Rapids and Kent County.

This Grant provides DGRI and its river corridor revitalization partners with increased capacity to:

- Rehabilitate and expand the public riverfront greenspace system, and
- Build new nonmotorized trail segments to fill gaps in the riverfront trail system and establish stronger connections to river-adjacent neighborhoods and the broader regional trail network.

This investment and work significantly catalyzes implementation of *GR Forward* Goal 1, *River for All* and other related community master plans.

The federal funds flow through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) to DGRI in accordance with an American Rescue Plan Act Local Parks and Trails Agreement developed collaboratively by the MDNR and DGRI teams.

The Chair of the DGRI Board of Advisors and the MDNR representative executed this agreement in May 2023.

DGRI, in turn, holds the right and responsibility of awarding funds to partner organizations supporting priority Grand River Greenway implementation efforts.

Informed by the prioritization work of the Grand River Network and their Greenway Advisory Committee, the DGRI Board of Advisors in May 2023 also approved an initial Greenway Grant Investment Priority Plan (the Plan). The partners currently working to advance priority projects identified in the Plan include but are not limited to Kent County, the City of Grand Rapids, and the Grand Rapids Downtown Development Authority.

In September 2023 the Board approved the first tranche of grant expenditures (Tranche #1) to support advancing the priority projects identified in the Plan. Accounting for Tranche #1, DGRI held a remaining balance of approximately \$9 million in Greenway Grant funds.

In December 2024 the Board approved a revised Greenway Grant Investment Priority Plan and a second tranche of grant expenditures (Tranche #2) to further support the priority projects.

This revised plan necessitates executing an amendment to the Greenway Grant Subrecipient Agreement with the County. (The Board executed an amendment with the City at their December 2024 meeting.)

The attached resolution authorizes the DGRI Board Chair to execute the First Amendment with the County. This amendment deepens DGRI's commitment to allocating Grant funds to the County's Greenway-building priorities, specifically improvements to Johnson Park, which is emerging as a significant activity hub along the Greenway.

All funds must be prioritized and expended by December 2026 in accordance with federal law.

Project priorities, as well as subrecipient advances and reimbursements, remain subject to change, and to MDNR approval. All documentation and reporting requirements are dictated by DGRI's Grant Agreement with the MDNR.

Staff will keep the DGRI Board informed of all subrecipient grant distributions as they occur.

Recommendation #1: Authorize the DGRI Chair to execute the First Amendment to the Subrecipient Agreement between DGRI and Kent County.

DOWNTOWN GRAND RAPIDS, INC.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING
EXECUTION OF A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE
GREENWAY GRANT SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT
WITH THE COUNTY OF KENT**

Boardmember _____, supported by Boardmember _____, moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan was awarded \$6.54 billion dollars under the Fiscal Recovery Fund, and in section 451 of Public Act 53 of 2022, the State of Michigan Legislature appropriated funds to the Department for an ARPA grant to DGRI in the amount of \$55,000,000 (the “Grant”); and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (the “Department”) has authority to issue grants for the development of public outdoor recreation facilities under sections 602 and 603 of section 9901 of the Social Security Act of Public Law No. 117-2, known as the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA), signed into law on March 11, 2021 as the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF); and

WHEREAS, in consideration of receiving the Grant, Downtown Grand Rapids, Inc. (“DGRI”), has been tasked with providing programmatic assistance and distribution of ARPA funding to support the development of a recreational greenway project connecting multiple regional, city and community trail and park systems that promotes and enhances public recreation, equity, tourism and economic development and recovery (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, DGRI entered into a comprehensive ARPA Local Parks and Trails Grant Agreement (the “Grant Agreement”) with the Department in order to receive the Grant; and

WHEREAS, the Grant Agreement expressly requires that all Department Greenway Grant Subrecipients, including Kent County (the “County”), the City of Grand Rapids and the City of Grand Rapids Downtown Development Authority assume certain specific risks and responsibilities by entering a Subrecipient Agreement with DGRI in consideration of their funding; and

WHEREAS, the County has provided and will continue to provide financial and administrative support for the Project, including planning, design, engineering, and other critical activities advancing Project implementation in relation to the portions of the Project set forth on Exhibit A, or as mutually defined in writing by the authorized representatives of DGRI (Andy Guy, Chief Outcomes Officer), and Subrecipient (the Kent County Administrator/Controller or his designee), subject to DNR approval; and

WHEREAS, DGRI previously approved a priority plan related to the Project, and obligated a portion of the Grant funding in an amount of \$19,500,000 to the County for those portions of the Project, subject to certain conditions being met and final DNR approval; and

WHEREAS, the Grand River Network Board considered and recommended an additional obligation to fill the gap in Project funding at its December 11, 2024 meeting; and

WHEREAS, DGRI now wishes to obligate an additional \$500,000 to the County for additional phases of the Project, namely, the portion including improvements to Johnson Park, subject to certain conditions being met and final DNR approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the County shall act as a Subrecipient of Grand River Greenway Grant funding, and may receive advances or may be reimbursed for its financial, administrative, and other eligible activities supporting implementation of the Project, in an amount not to exceed an additional \$500,000, for the portions of the Project set forth on Exhibit A, or as mutually defined in writing by the authorized representatives of DGRI (Andy Guy, Chief Outcomes Officer), and Subrecipient (the Kent County Administrator/Controller or his designee), subject to DNR approval.

2. That the Chair of the DGRI Board of Directors is authorized to execute the First Amendment to the Subrecipient Grant Agreement with the County, obligating the additional funds, and containing requirements that align and comport with the requirements contained in the Grant Agreement, in a form approved as to content by the Chair, and as to form by legal counsel.

3. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby rescinded.

YEAS: Boardmembers _____

NAYS: Boardmembers _____

ABSTAIN: Boardmembers _____

ABSENT: Boardmembers _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Dated: December 18, 2024

Mandy McDaniel
Recording Secretary

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of Downtown Grand Rapids, Inc. (the "DGRI"), do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution

adopted by the Board of Advisors of DGRI, at a meeting held on _____, 2024, and that public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to, and in compliance with, Act 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

Dated: December 18, 2024

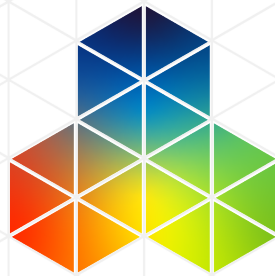
Mandy McDaniel
Recording Secretary

EXHIBIT A

Additional Obligation is for the following portions of the Project:

- 1. Johnson Park Trailhead Expansion & Natural Surface Trails**

Downtown Vitals Report



DOWNTOWN
GRAND RAPIDS INC.

Published January 2025

NEW BUSINESSES

+0 | **+19**
in December | year-to-date

STOREFRONT VACANCY RATES

+5% | **-2%**
vs. Nov 2024 | vs. 2-yr avg.

Q4 OFFICE VACANCY RATES

9.5%
in Q4 2024 vs. 8.5% in Q3 2024

Q4 OFFICE RENTAL RATES

\$23.32
per square foot
in Q4 2024 vs. \$22.94 in Q3 2024

Q4 HOUSING OCCUPANCY

+0% | **-3%** | **+2%**
vs. Q3 2024 | vs. Q4 2023 | vs. Q4 2019

NOV HOTEL OCCUPANCY

-22% | **+5%** | **-1%**
vs. Oct 2024 | vs. Nov 2023 | vs. Nov 2019

VISITOR ACTIVITY COUNTS

-11% | **-6%** | **-8%**
vs. Nov 2024 | vs. Dec 2023 | vs. Dec 2019

EMPLOYEE ACTIVITY COUNTS

-17% | **-5%** | **-13%**
vs. Nov 2024 | vs. Dec 2023 | vs. Dec 2019

RESIDENT ACTIVITY COUNTS

-10% | **+44%** | **+48%**
vs. Nov 2024 | vs. Dec 2023 | vs. Dec 2019

NOV DASH WORK RIDES

-6%
vs. Oct 2024

NOV DASH CIRCULATOR RIDES

-5%
vs. Oct 2024

CURRENT ACTIVE INVESTMENT

\$297M

Storefront Business Openings | Updated December 2024

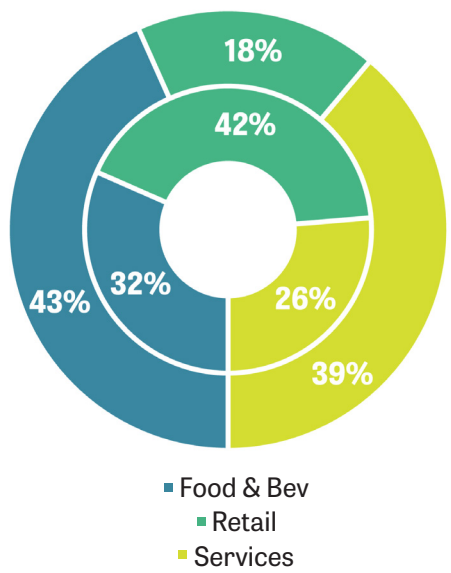
Retail
Shinola Detroit*
Grammotones*
GVSU Laker Store*
Rewind Vintage
Tone Chasers Music
Cellar Bird Bookstore
Greyson Clothiers
Devil May Duel

Food & Beverage
Gin Gin's
Curry Leaf @ DT Market
Rev - Road to Revitalize*
Big Mini Putt Club*
Chewie Bitez
Gimme's Par & Grill*

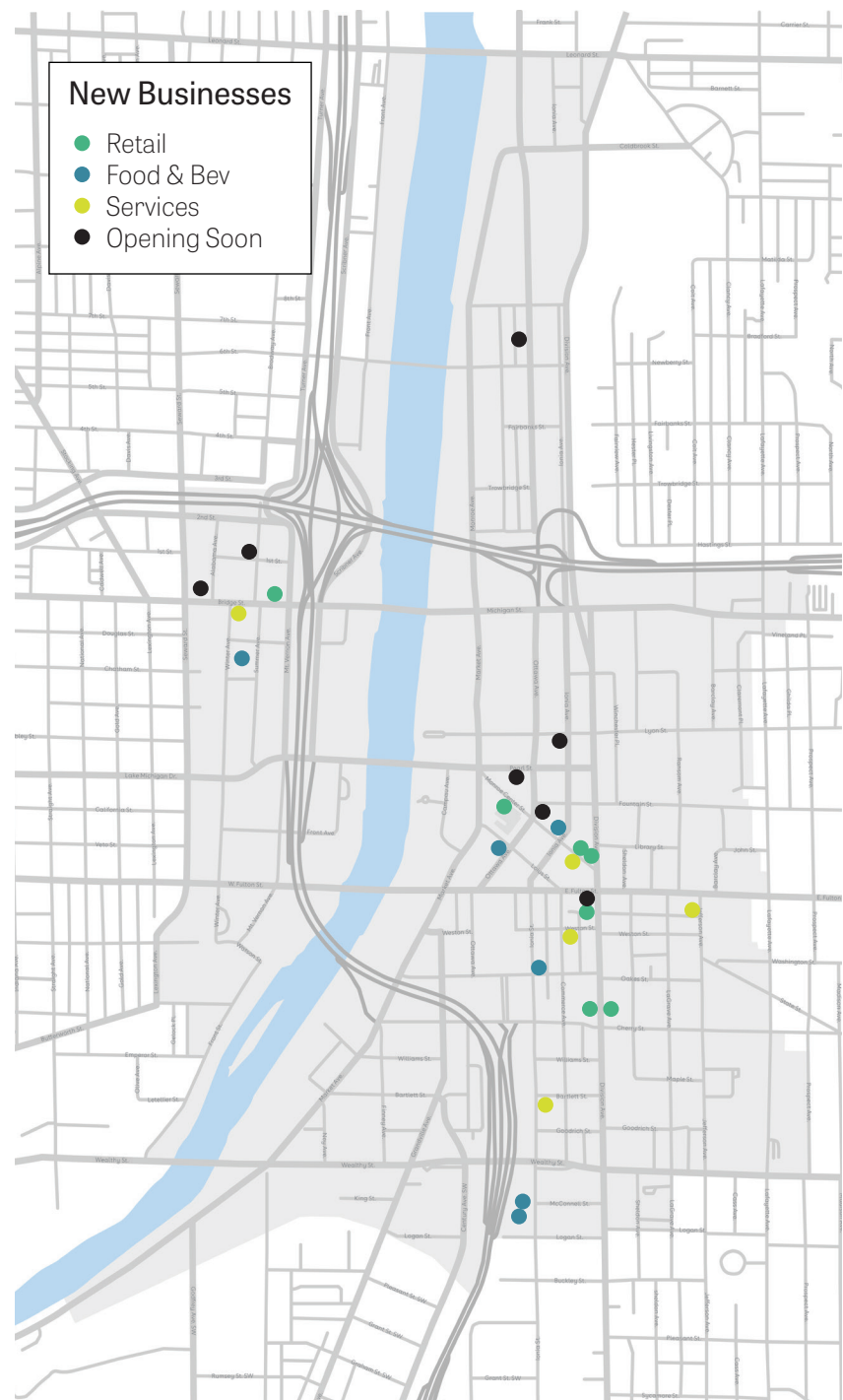
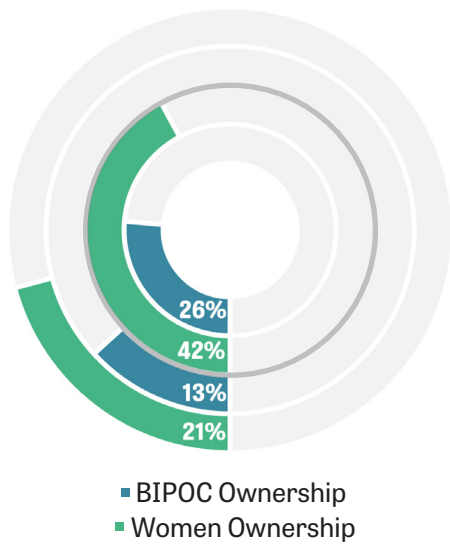
Services
D'Vine Nails & Spa
Euphoria Wellness
Mane Society
Water Street Gallery
Allstate Insurance Agency

19
storefront businesses
opened in 2024

Business Mix of Storefronts
Overall: Outer Ring
New in 2024: Inner Ring



Business Ownership of Storefronts
Overall: Outer Rings
New in 2024: Inner Rings



Source: Downtown Grand Rapids Inc.

Storefront Vacancies & Recent Closures | Updated Dec 2024

13

storefront
businesses
closed in 2024

2024 Closures:

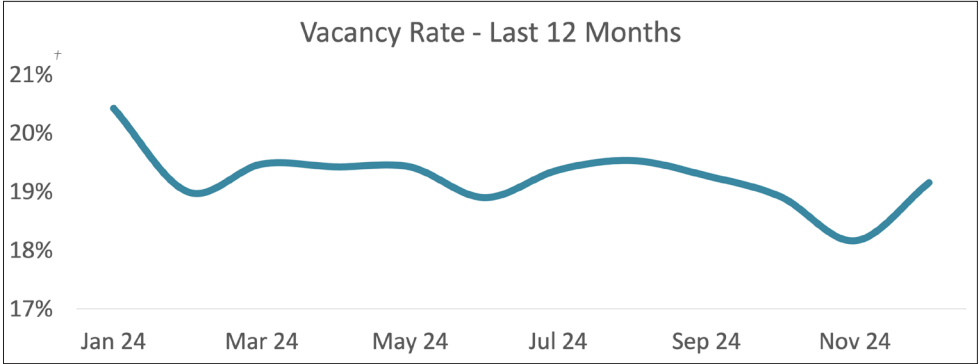
62% Food & Bev

15% Retail

23% Services

19%

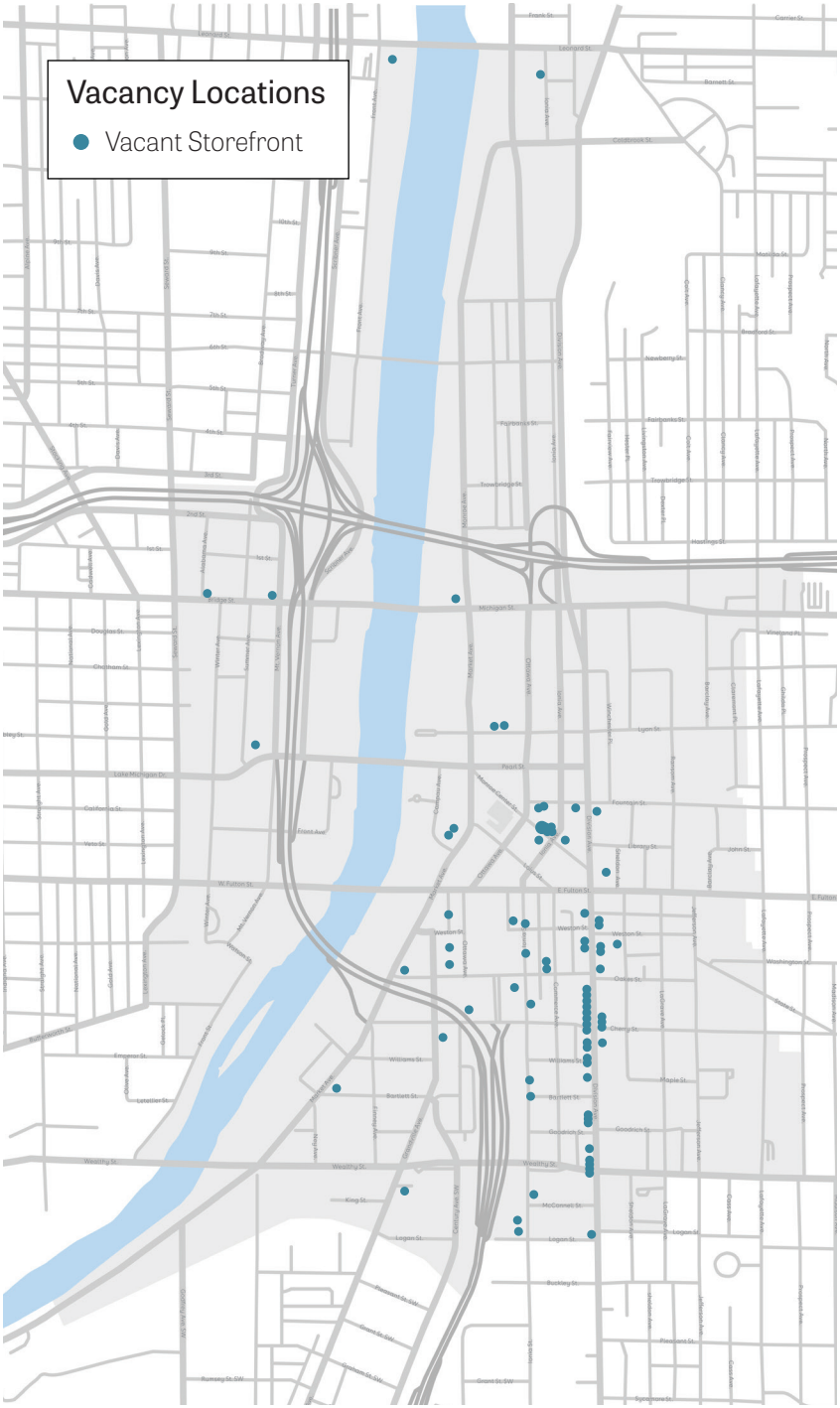
storefront
vacancy rate



*truncated y-axis to highlight month-over-month changes

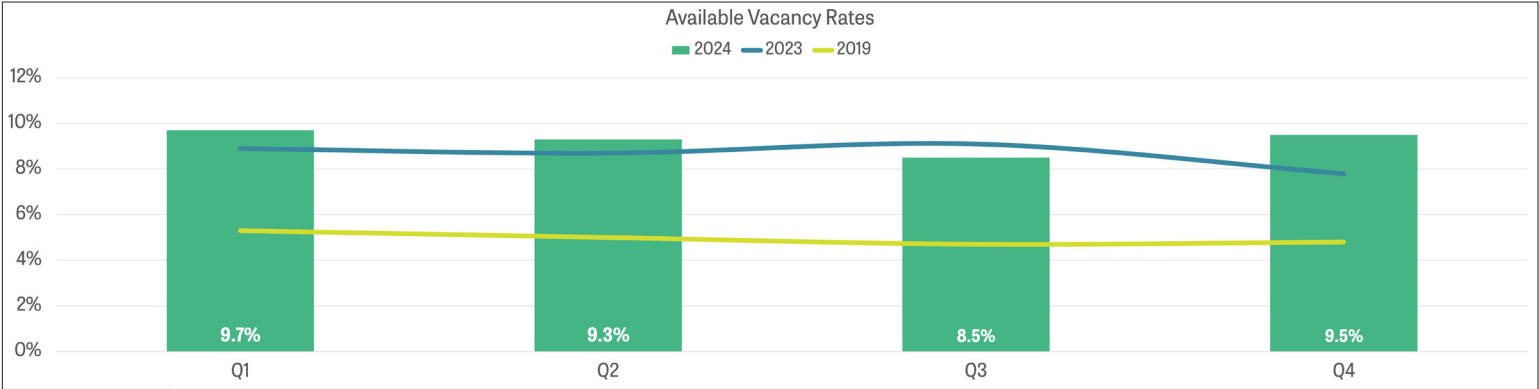
	Storefronts	Vacancies	Vacancy %	Sq Ft Available
Bridge Street	23	3	13%	14,585 sq ft
Center City	127	23	18%	102,170 sq ft
Monroe Center*	54*	7*	13%*	51,193 sq ft*
Fulton & Jefferson	21	1	5%	1,320 sq ft
Heartside: Division	102	33	32%	~105,566 sq ft
Heartside: Ionia	71	12	17%	48,191 sq ft
Heartside: C. Chavez	13	3	23%	12,087 sq ft
Monroe North	28	1	4%	1,696 sq ft
Other	17	1	6%	3,960 sq ft
DISTRICT TOTALS:	402	77	19%	~289,575 sq ft

Source: Downtown Grand Rapids Inc.



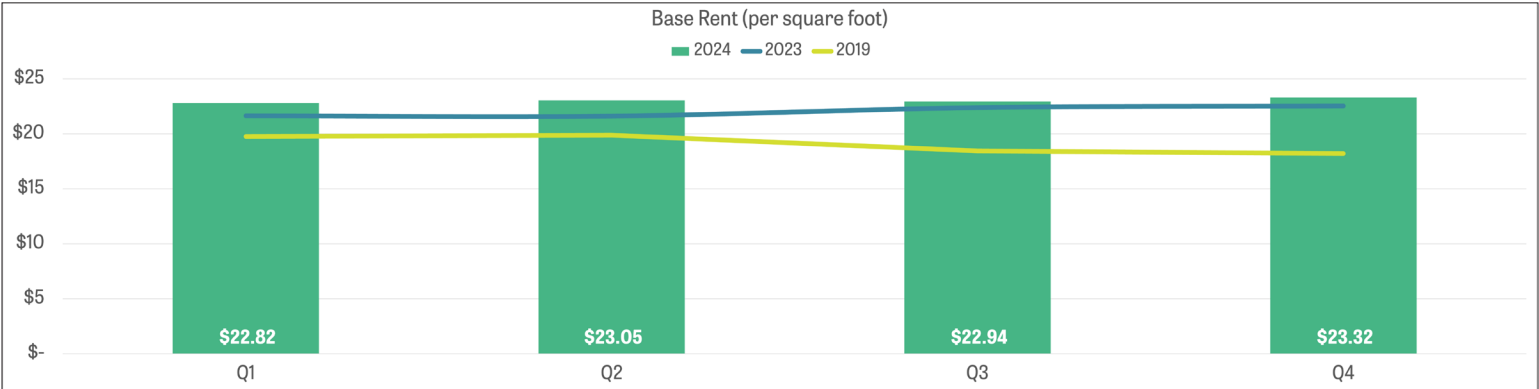
Source: Downtown Grand Rapids Inc.

9.5%
vacancy in Q4 2024
vs. 8.5% in Q3 2024



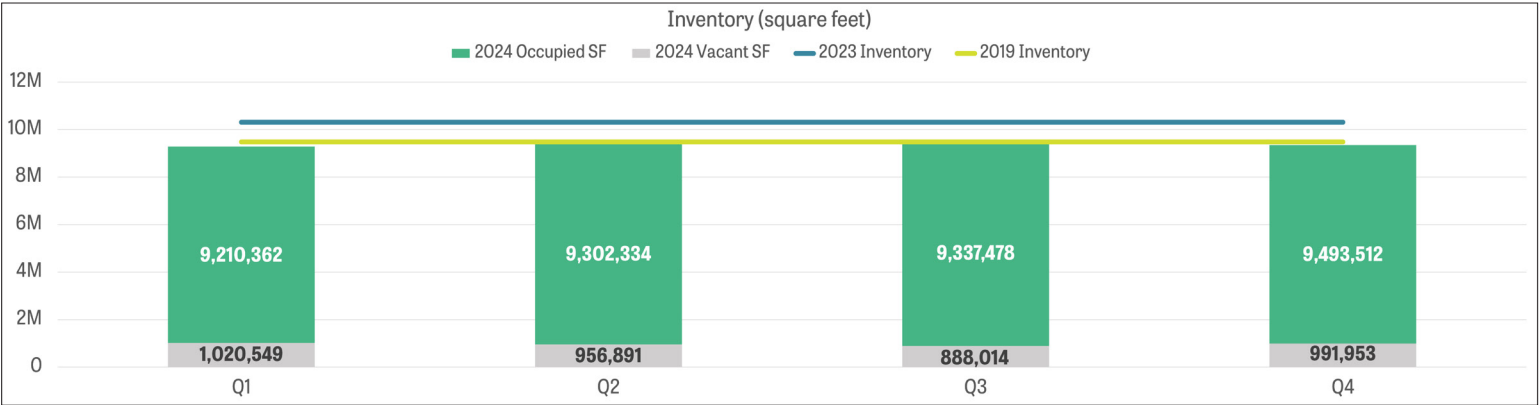
Source: CoStar

\$23.32
per sq ft in Q4 2024
vs. \$22.94 in Q3 2024



Source: CoStar

10.3M
square feet of office
space inventory

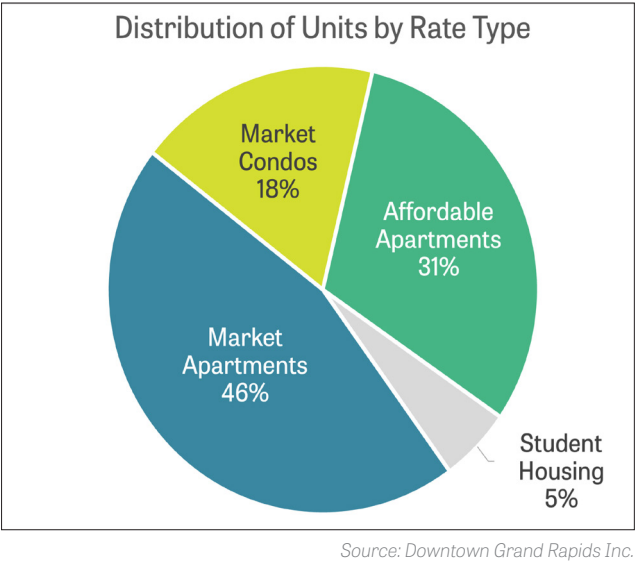
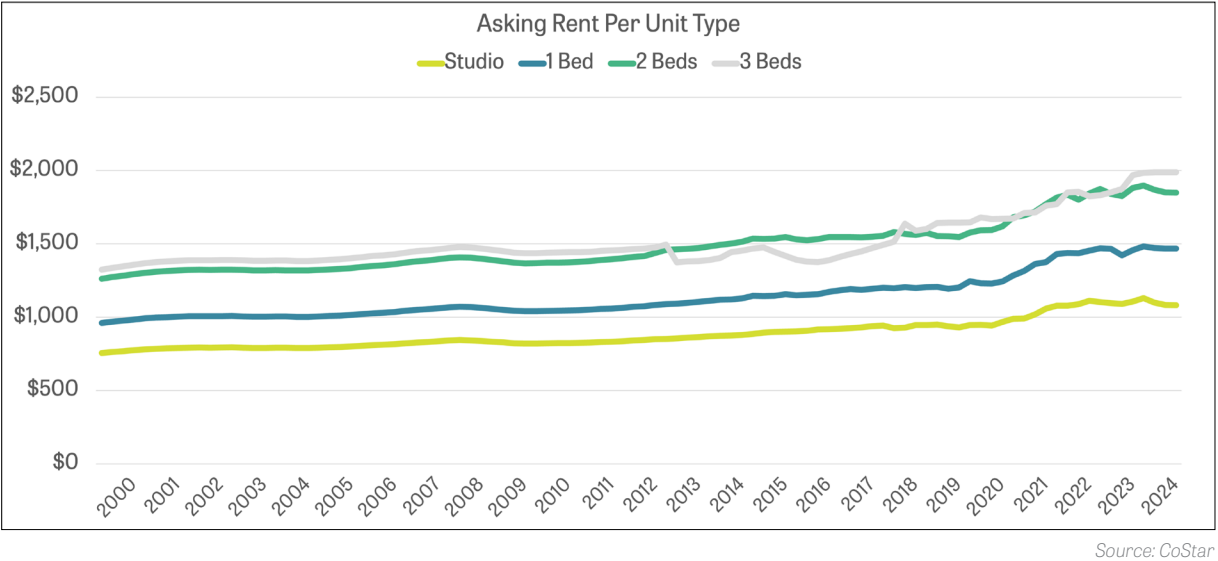
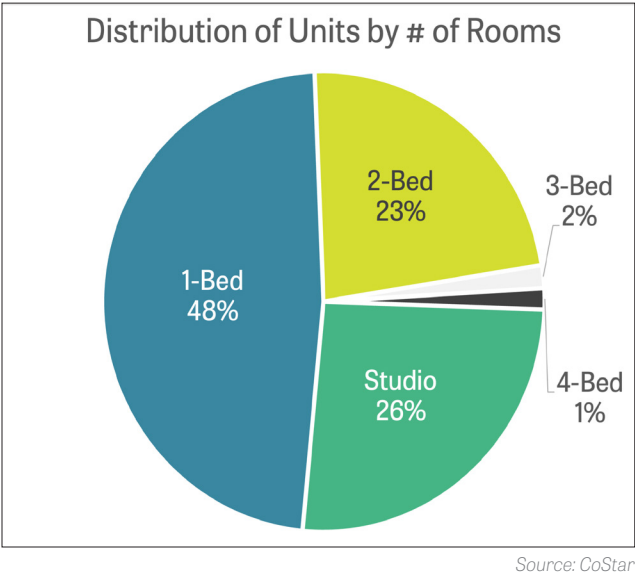
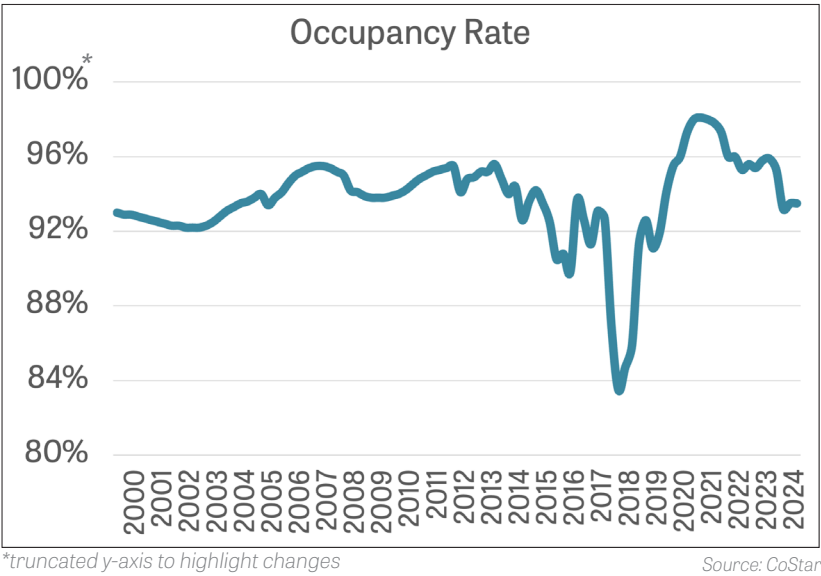


Source: CoStar

94%
occupancy
Q4 2024

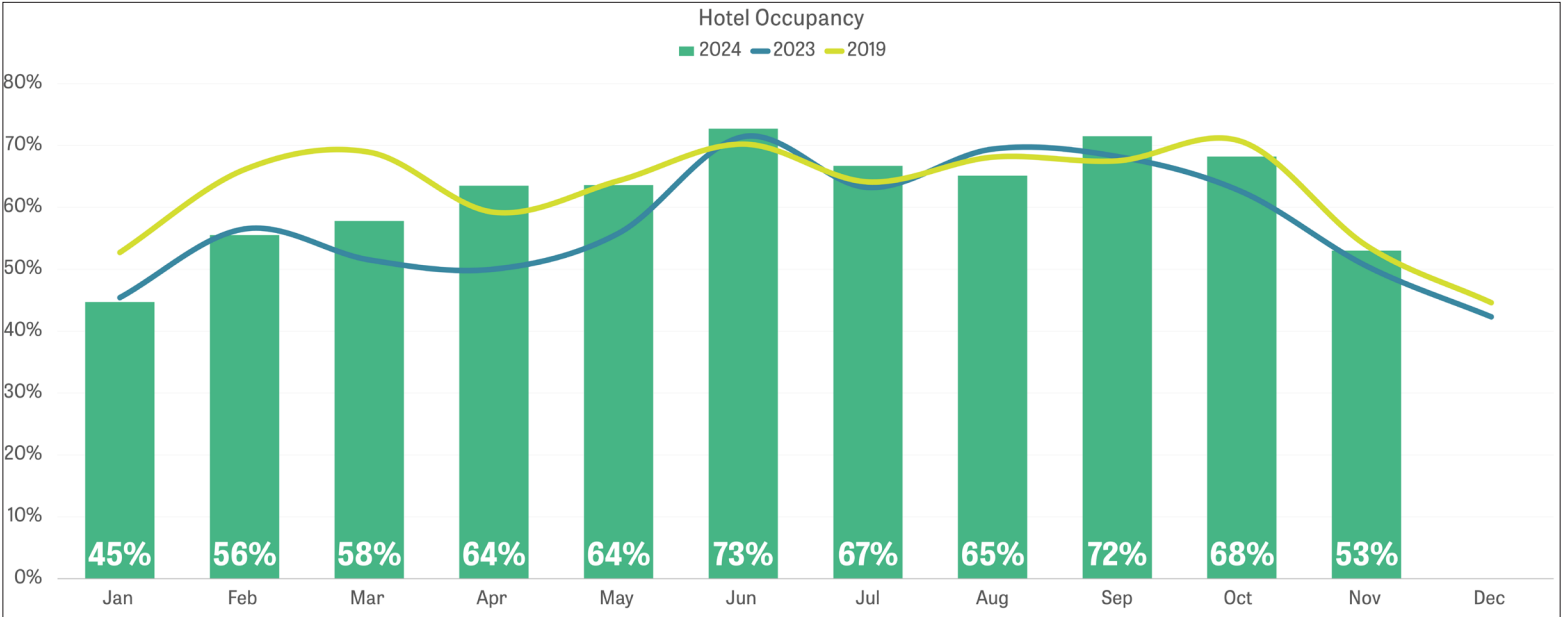
248
came online
in 2024

1,889
units in pipeline



53%
hotel occupancy
November 2024

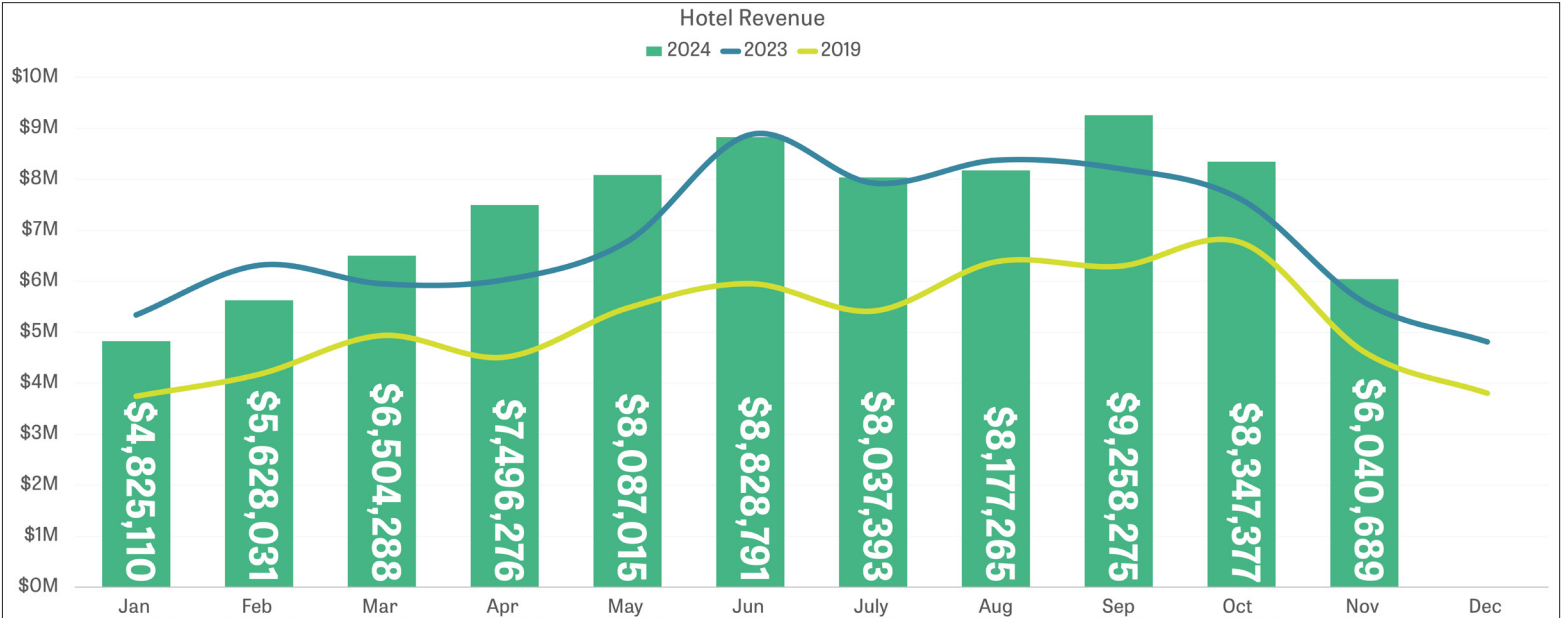
62%
average hotel
occupancy
2024 to date



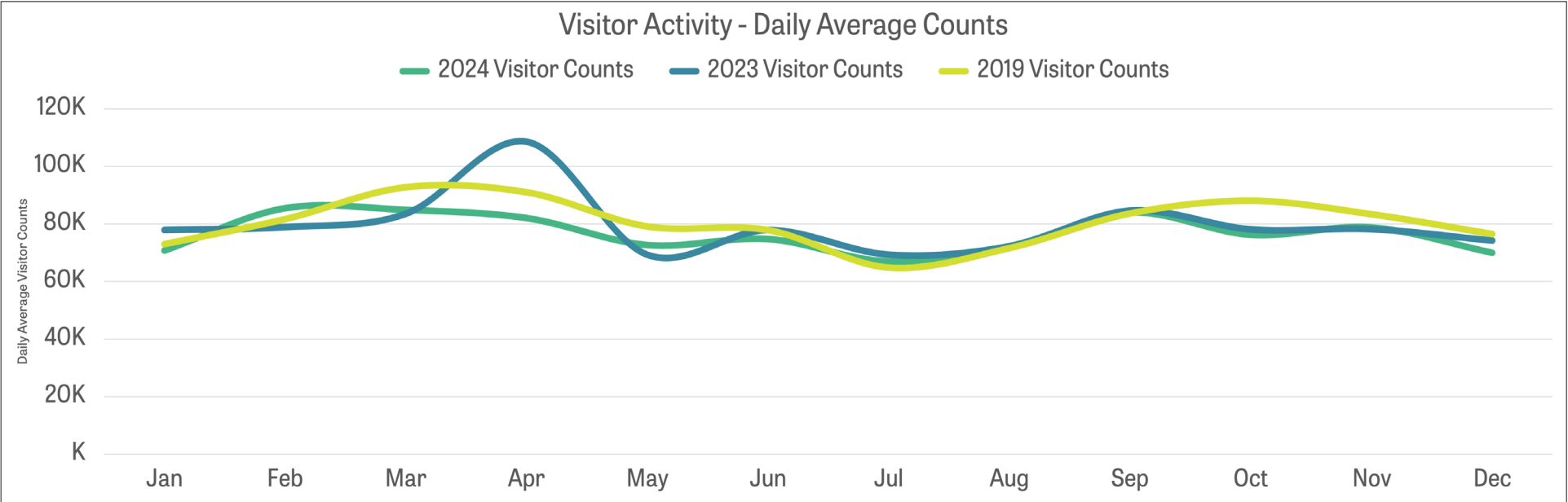
Source: Smith Travel Research via CoStar

\$6M
hotel revenue
November 2024

\$81M
hotel revenue
2024 to date



Source: Smith Travel Research via CoStar

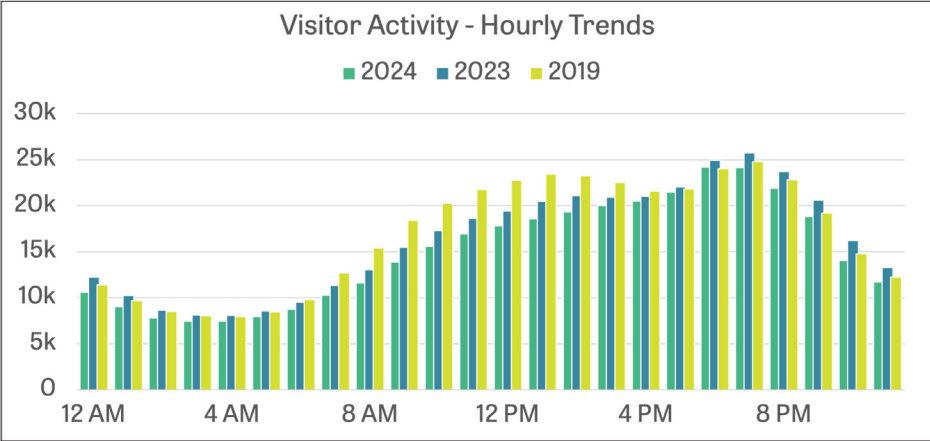


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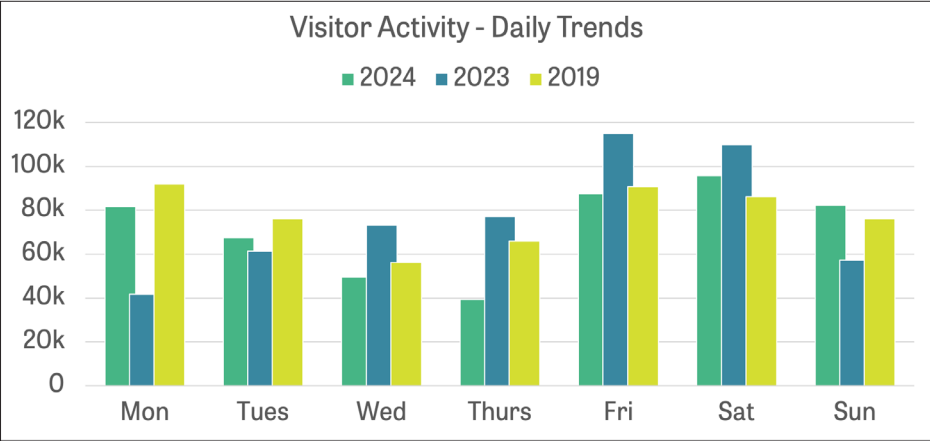
11%
decrease
Dec 2024 vs. Nov 2024

6%
decrease
Dec 2024 vs. Dec 2023

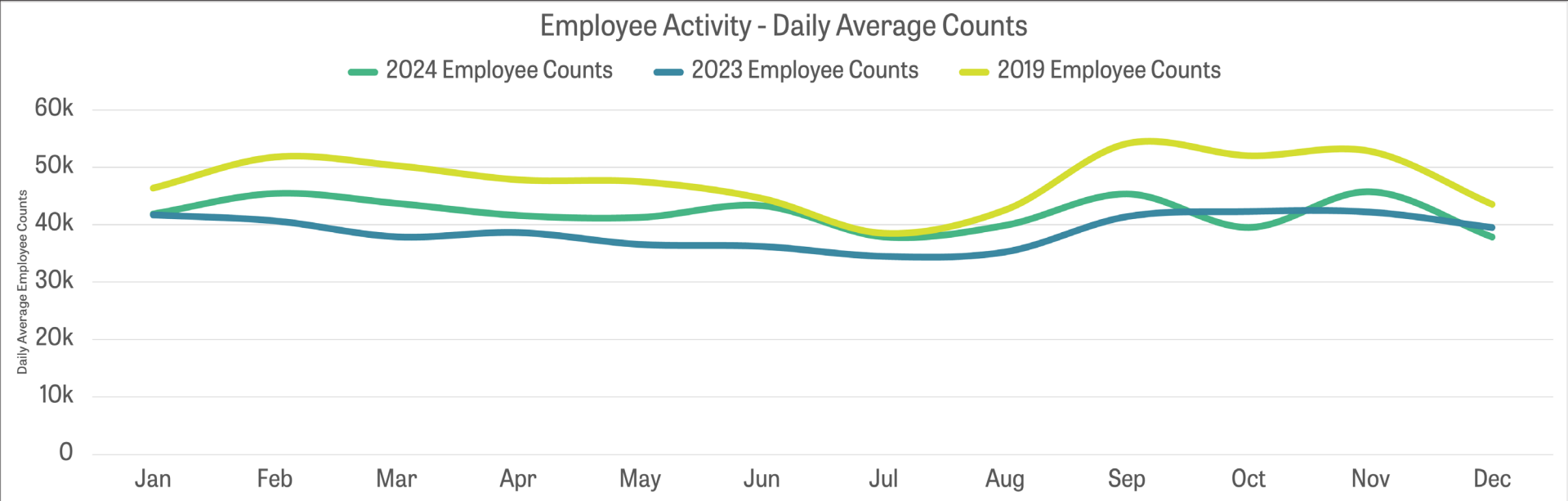
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decrease
Dec 2024 vs. Dec 2019



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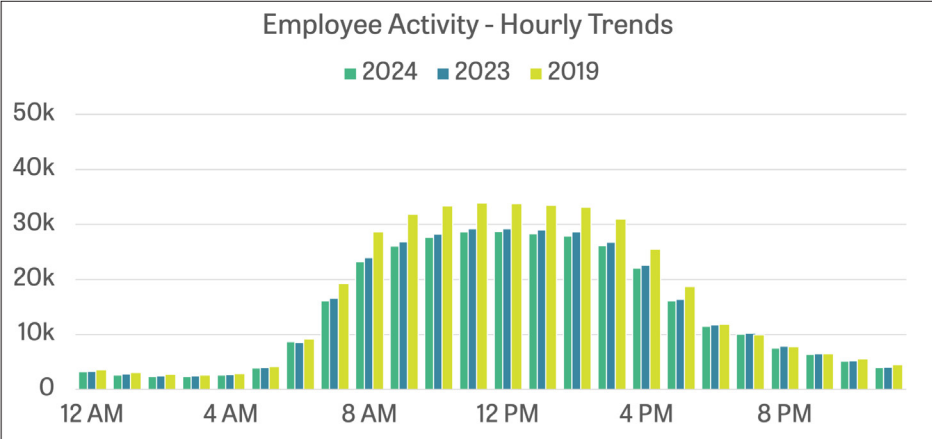


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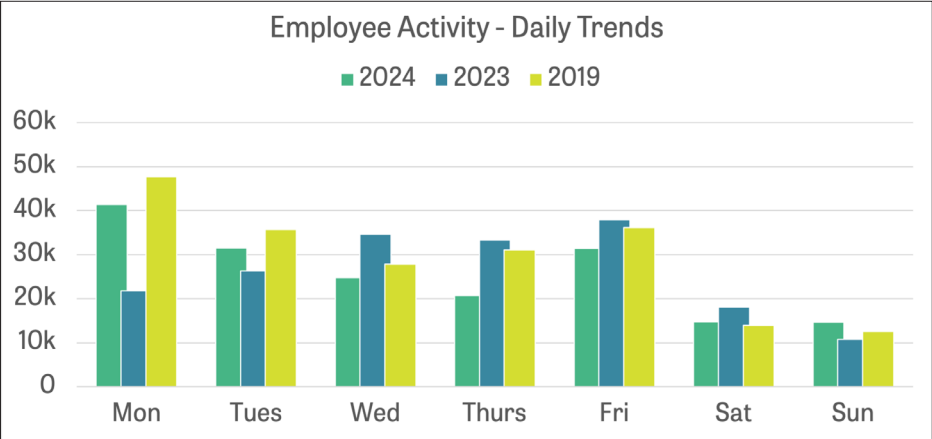
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decrease
Dec 2024 vs. Nov 2024

4%
decrease
Dec 2024 vs. Dec 2023

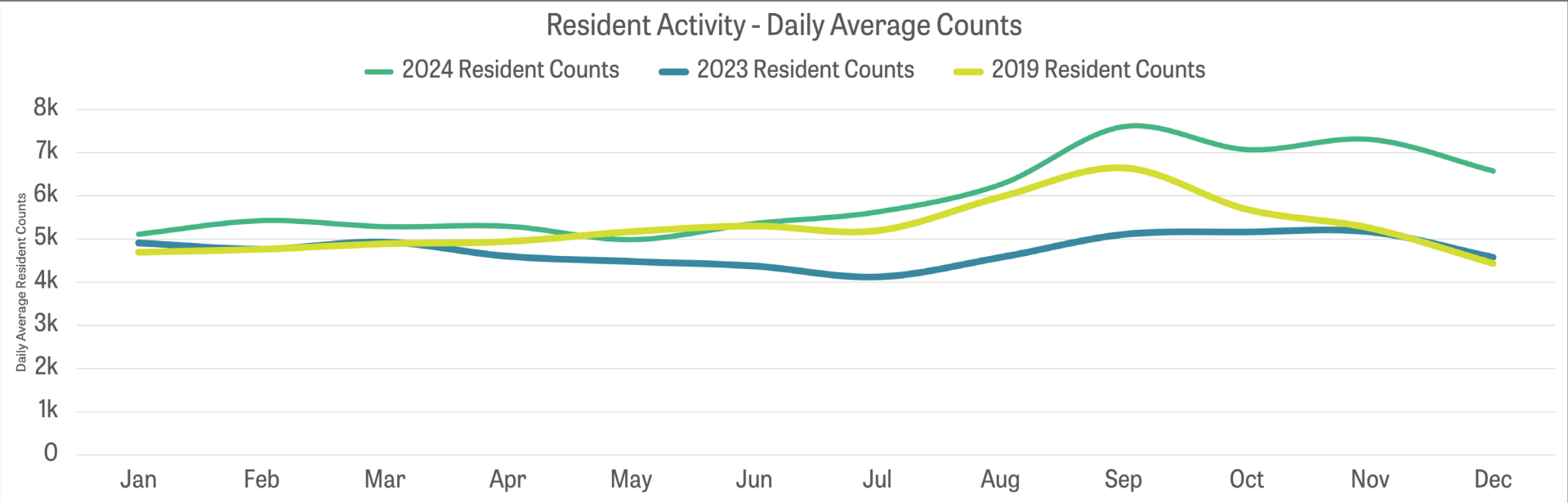
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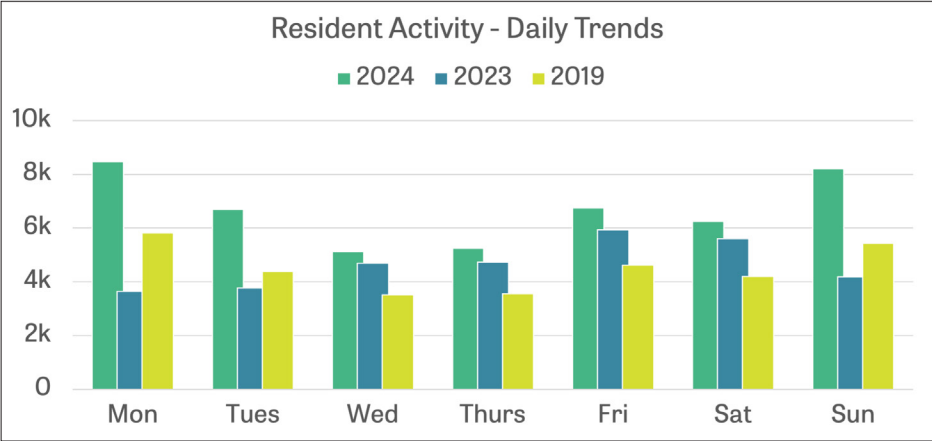


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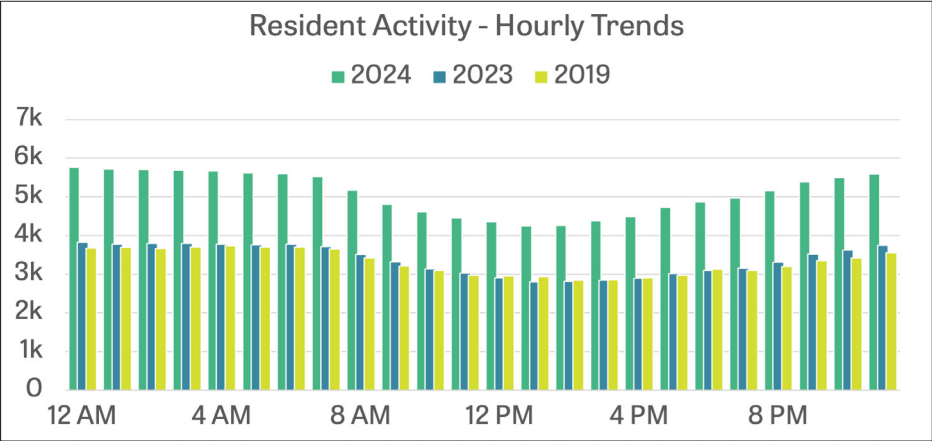
10%
decrease
Dec 2024 vs. Nov 2024

44%
increase
Dec 2024 vs. Dec 2023

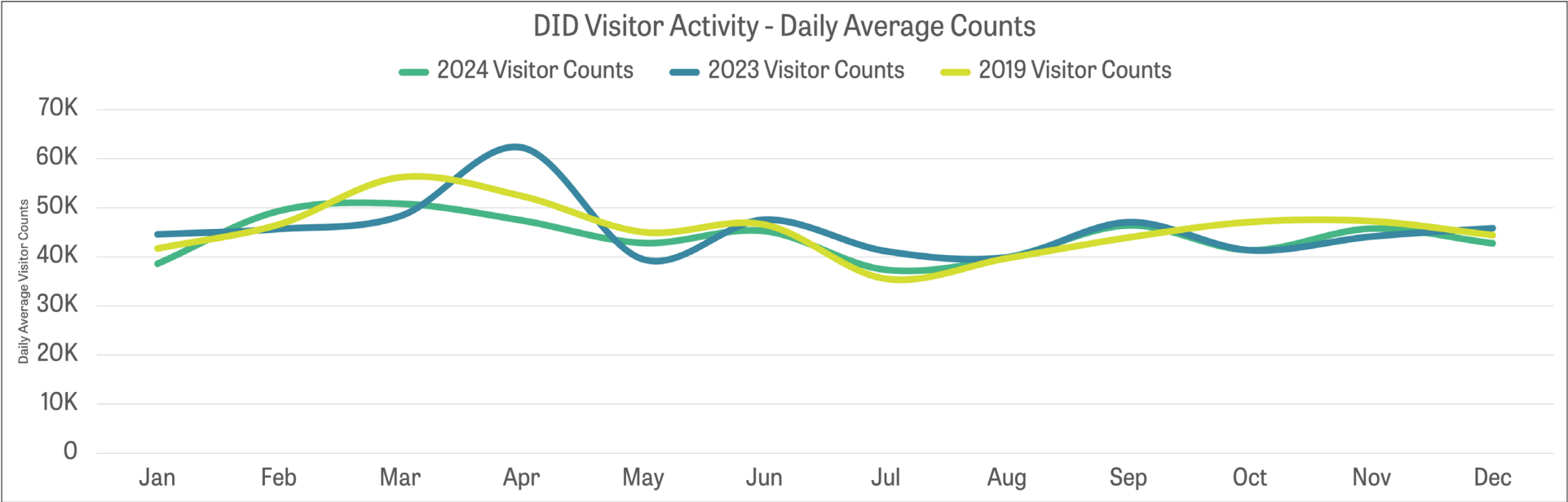
48%
increase
Dec 2024 vs. Dec 2019



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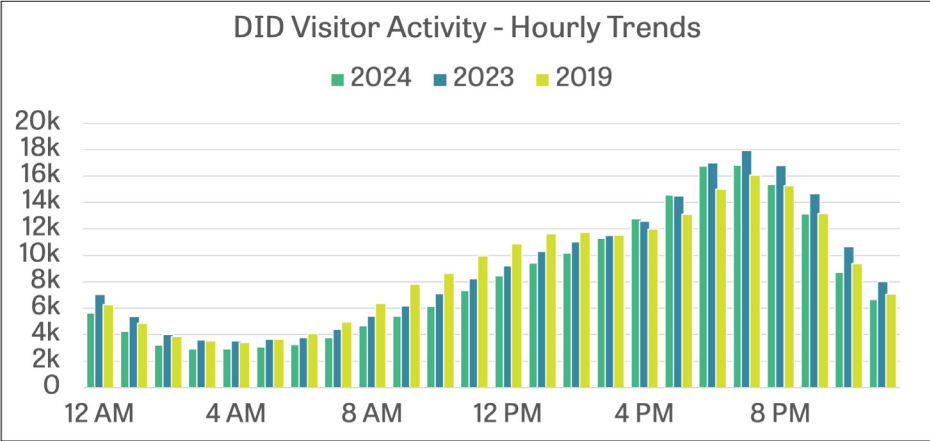


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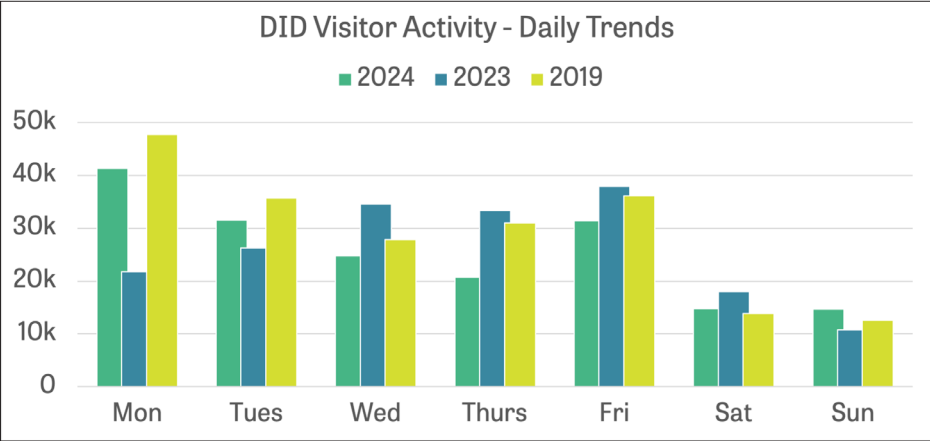
7%
decrease
Dec 2024 vs. Nov 2024

7%
decrease
Dec 2024 vs. Dec 2023

4%
decrease
Dec 2024 vs. Dec 2019

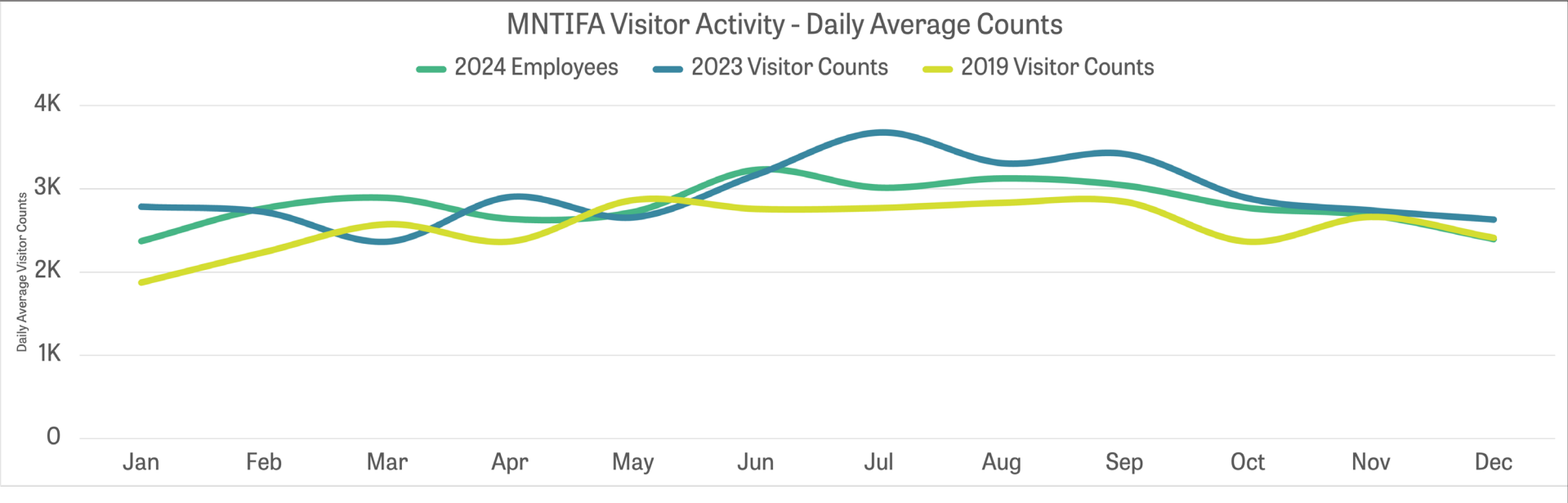


Source: Placer.ai



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Monroe North (MN) TIFA Visitor Activity Tracking | Updated December 2024



Source: Placer.ai

11%

decrease

Dec 2024 vs. Nov 2024

9%

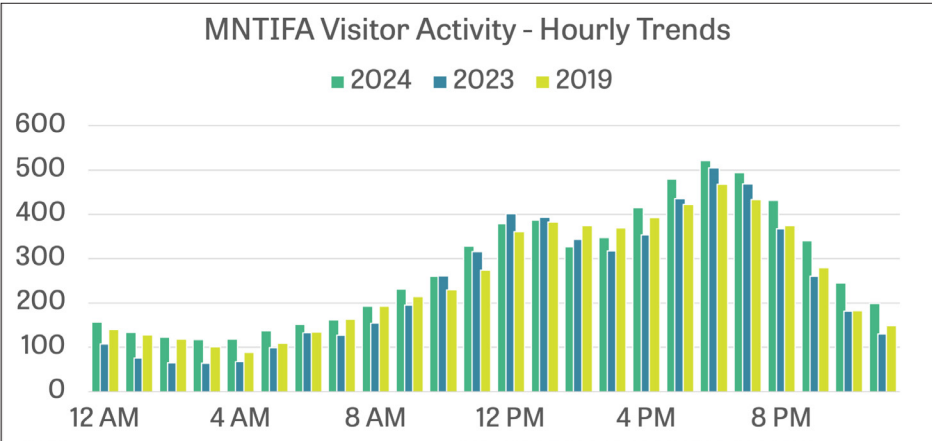
decrease

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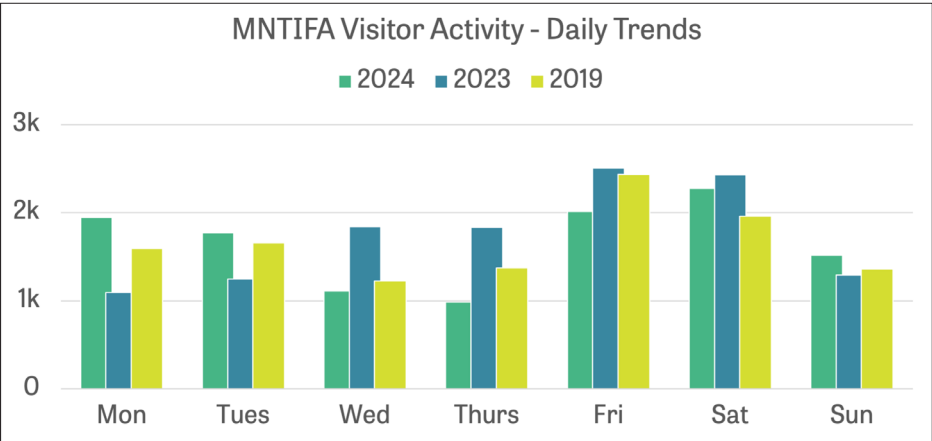
1%

decrease

Dec 2024 vs. Dec 2019



Source: Placer.ai



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Downtown Ambassador Statistics | Updated November 2024

	November 2024	2024 YTD	2023 YTD	2019 YTD
Graffiti Removals	356	7,069	5,401	1,764
Lbs of Trash Removed	29,775	353,900	429,550	450,250
Snow Removals	-	5,569	4,224	9,389
Weeds Abated	1,984	374,524	263,212	128,325
Business Contacts	456	7,574	8,800	1,749
Pedestrian Assists	14,001	306,624	332,206	159,944
Mobility Assists	69	3,342	3,316	1,095
Total Ambassador Banked Hours as of November:				-871.50
Total Resident Ambassador Banked Hours as of November:				330.00

Banked hours reflect underspent ambassador hours. Negative hours reflect overspent ambassador hours.

Source: Downtown Grand Rapids Inc.



Current Construction & Development | Updated Dec 2024

1 Corewell Health Ambulatory Building

anticipated completion: Q4 2024

+240,000 square feet of office space

\$20,000,000 investment

2 Lyon Square Reconstruction

anticipated completion: Q4 2024

\$12,000,000 investment

3 GRPM River's Edge Work

anticipated completion: 2025

\$12,000,000 investment

4 Acrisure Amphitheater

anticipated completion: Spring 2026

+190 parking spaces

+825 jobs

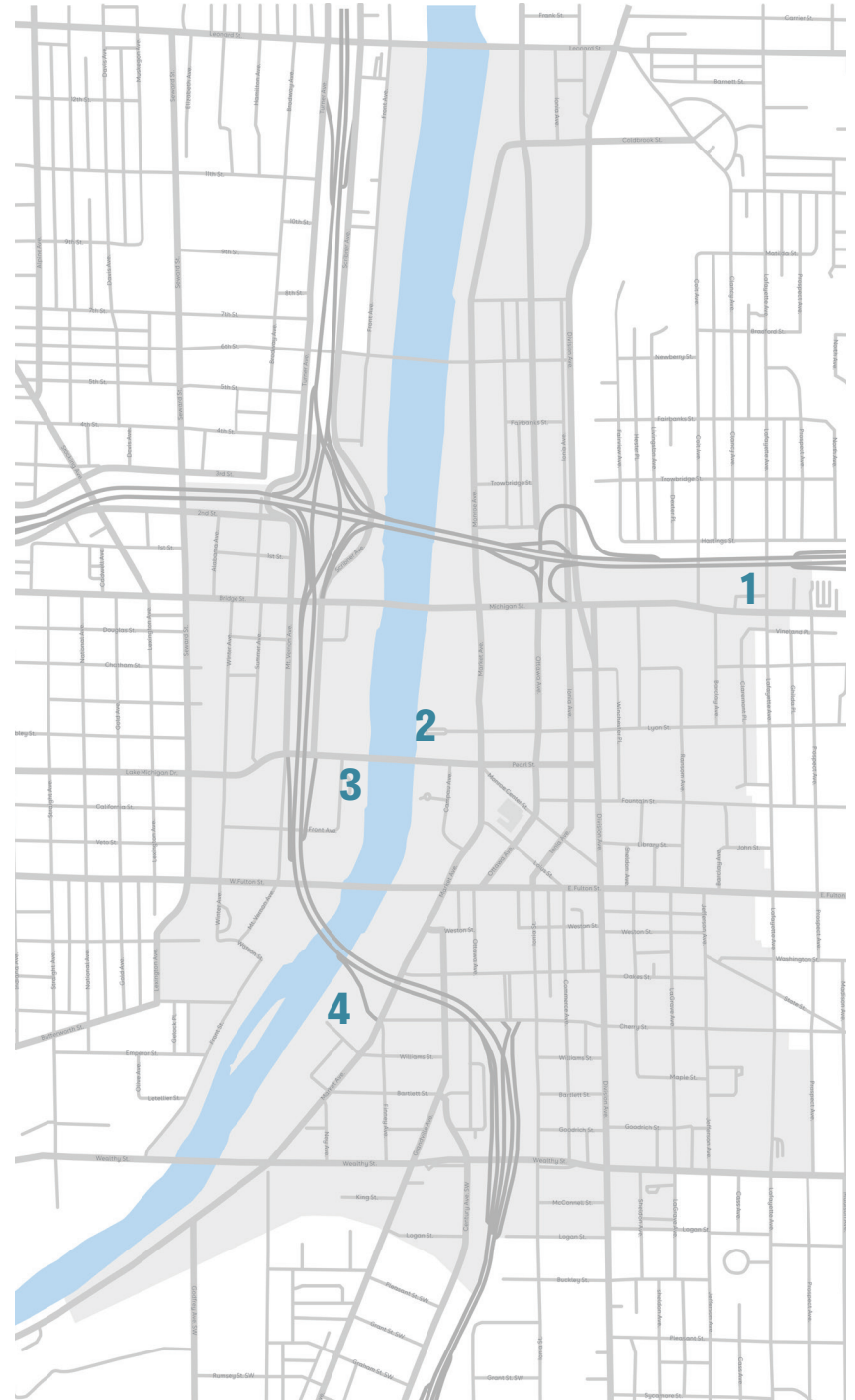
\$184,000,000 investment

240k
square feet of
office space

825
new jobs

190
parking spaces

\$297M
in investment



Source: Downtown Grand Rapids Inc.



Grand River Corridor Revitalization Progress | Updated Dec 2024

48

acres of park improvements

20

miles of trail improvements*

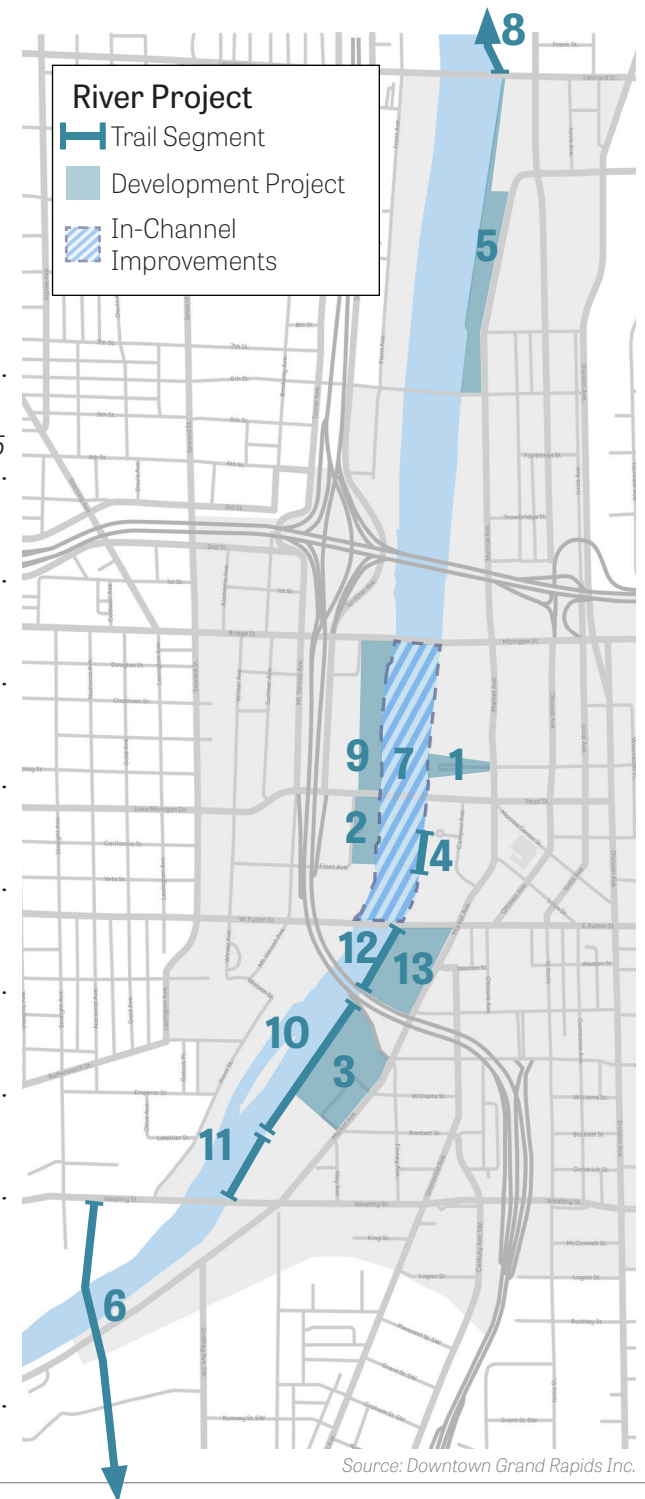
\$62M

total DGRI investment (DDA, MNTIFA, ARPA)

\$1.7B

total private river-adjacent investments

1	Lyon Square	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion est. June 2025
2	GRPM River Edge Improvements	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion est. August 2025
3	Acrisure Amphitheater	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion est. May 2026
4	Edges Trail, Blue Bridge to JW	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion est. April 2025
5	Canal Park	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion est. April 2025
6	Oxford Trail	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion est. Jan 2025
7	Lower Reach In-Channel Improvements	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion est. Jan 2025
8	Edges Trail, Leonard To Ann	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion est. June 2025
9	Ah-Nab-Awen Park Phase 1 (Indian Mounds)	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion est. Spring 2025
	Edges Trail	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion
10	US-131 to Railroad			Permitting			est. Jan 2025
11	Railroad to Wealthy						est. Winter 2025
12	Fulton to US-131						TBD
13	Fulton & Market	Planning	Design	Permitting	Bidding	Construction	Completion



Source: Downtown Grand Rapids Inc.



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For more information, visit: <https://grandriver.network/upcoming-projects>

* includes 16 miles of ARPA-funded Kent County greenway trail, White Pine Trail to Ada

DASH 3.0: Circulator Ridership | Updated November 2024

DASH Circulator operates Monday - Sunday on one route with two directions (Clockwise and Counterclockwise).

5%

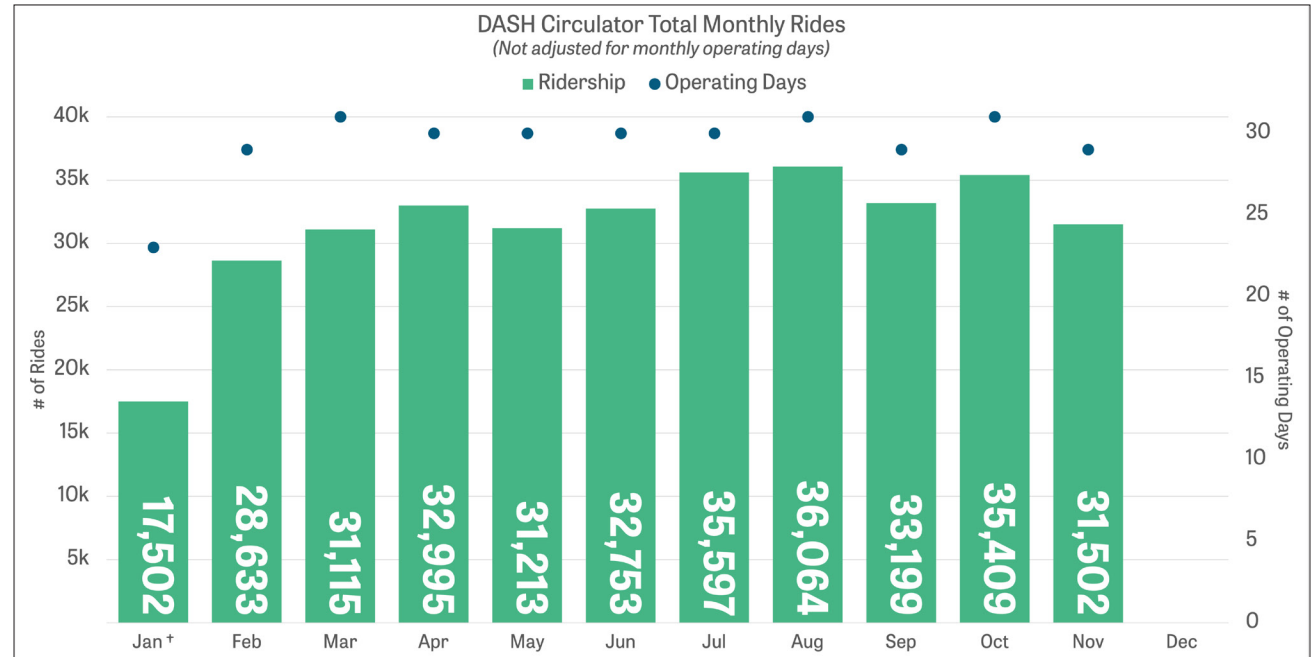
decrease in daily avg rides
Nov 2024 vs. Oct 2024*

51%

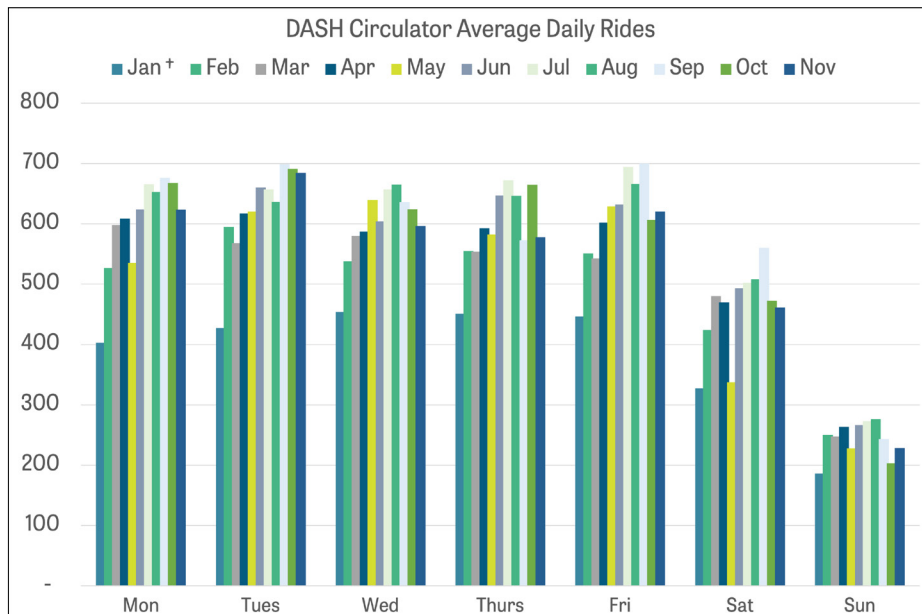
increase in daily avg rides
Nov 2024 vs. Nov 2023*

46%

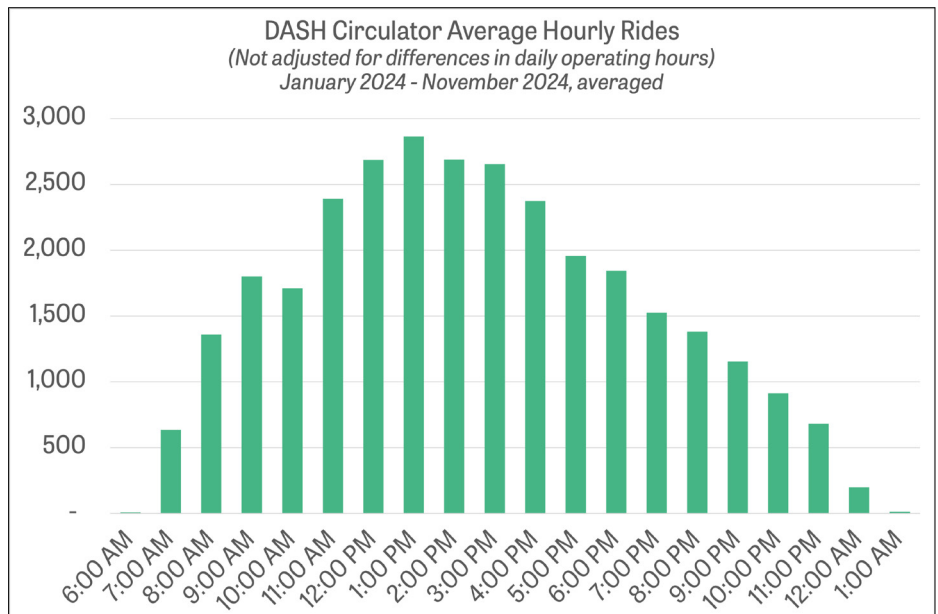
decrease in daily avg rides
Nov 2024 vs. Nov 2019*



Source: The Rapid



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*Adjusted for monthly operating days

+ Service expanded on January 29th, 2024 to include Mondays and Tuesdays.

Number of operating days: Jan: 23; Feb: 29; Mar: 31; Apr: 30; May: 30; June: 30;

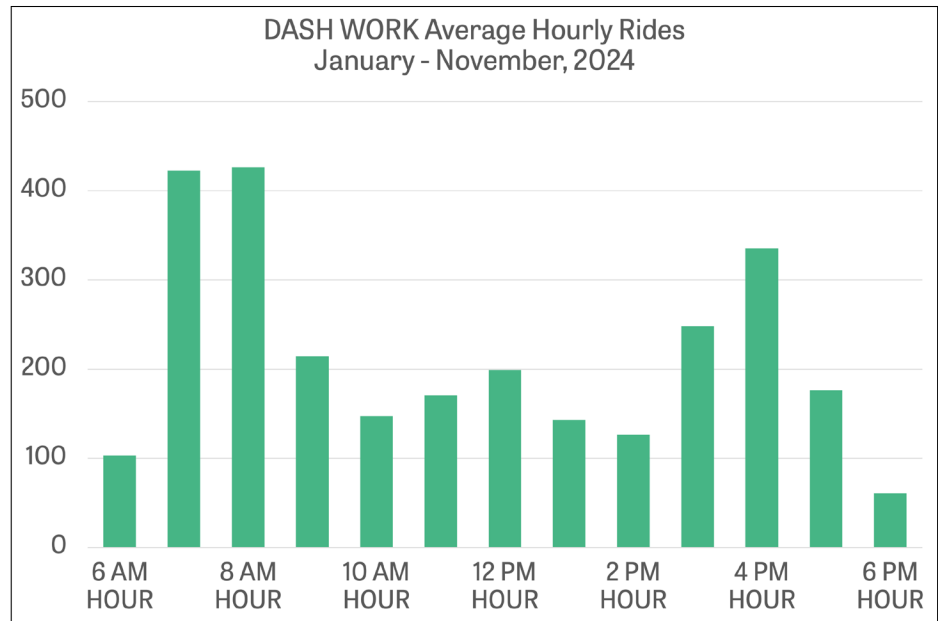
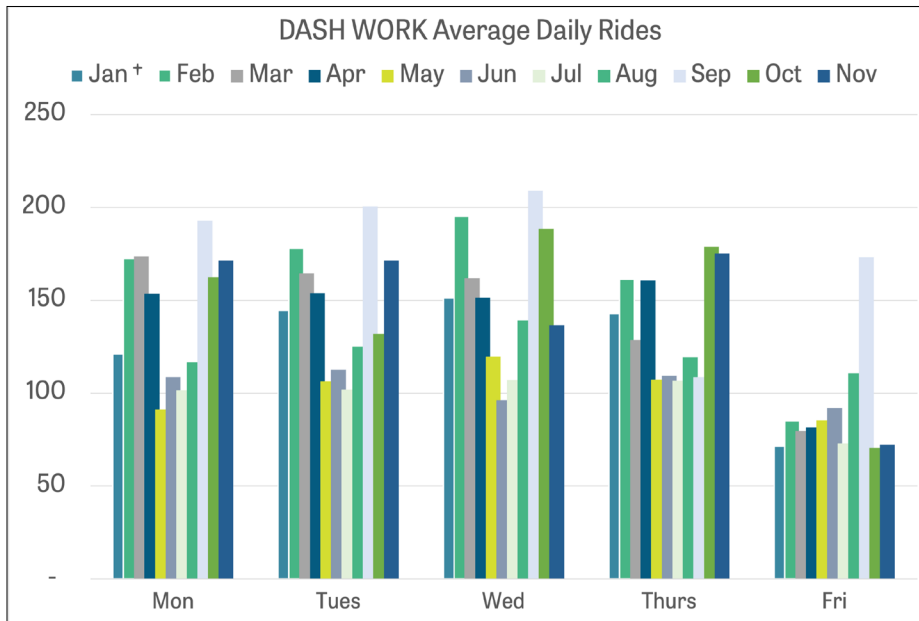
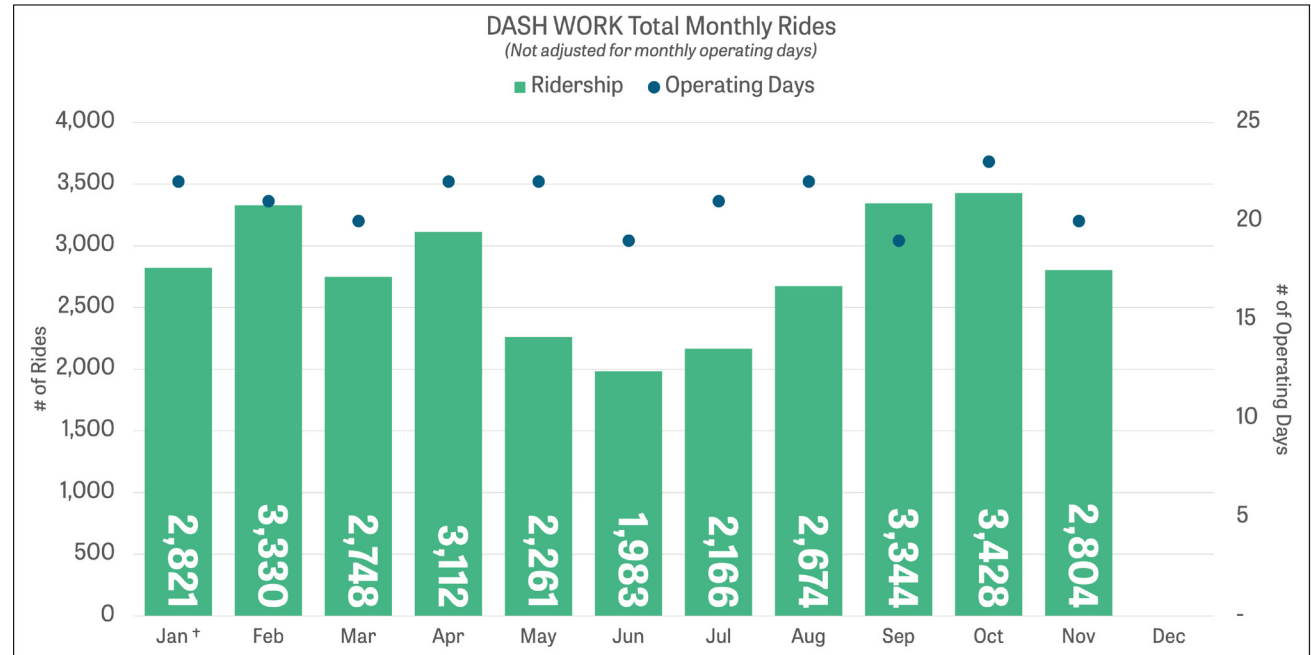
July: 30; Aug: 31; Sep: 29; Oct: 31; Nov: 29

DASH 3.0: WORK Ridership | Updated November 2024

DASH WORK operates Monday - Friday, 6:30 AM - 6:30 PM, primarily servicing Downtown employees that park in Areas 7 & 9.

6%
decrease in rides
Nov 2024 vs. Oct 2024*

54%
of rides in 2024
occur in the AM



Source: The Rapid



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*Adjusted for monthly operating days

+ Service expanded to full-day service on January 29th, 2024.
Previously 6:30 AM - 9:30 AM & 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM.

Number of operating days: Jan: 22; Feb: 21; Mar: 20; Apr: 22; May: 22; June: 19;
July: 21; Aug: 22; Sep: 19; Oct: 23; Nov: 20