BEMIDJI CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Monday, September 22, 2025

City Hall
317 4th Street NW
OR AS SOON THEREAFTER
FOLLOWING THE WORK SESSION
6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

2. BUSINESS

a) Authorize Grant Submission to Bernicks Family Foundation for the Recreation Department

b) Resolution Approving FY2026 Traffic Safety Officer/DWI Officer Grant-MN DPS

c) Preliminary Levy Discussion and Resolution Setting Preliminary Tax Levy for Taxes Payable in 2026 and Setting the Truth in Taxation Hearing Date

CLOSED MEETING

Consider Potential Closed Session Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.05, Subd. 3(b) to discuss pending litigation with Northern Township concerning consolidated boundary adjustment petitions, File Numbers OAH 71-0330-40846 and OAH 71-0330-40869.

REOPEN MEETING

Reopen meeting if closed and consider possible action therefrom, if necessary.

5. ADJOURN

MEMBER ATTENDING REMOTELY

COUNCILMEMBER THAYER WILL BE ATTENDING VIA WEBEX UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF MINNESOTA STATUTES SECTION 13D.02. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY MONITOR THE MEETING BY ACCESSING THE REMOTE MEETING LINK ON THE CITY WEBSITE https://bemidjimn.portal.civicclerk.com/

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Meeting Date: September 22, 2025
Action Requested: Authorize Grant Submission to the Bernicks Family Foundation
Prepared By: Marcia Larson, Recreation Department

Background:
The City of Bemidji Recreation Department is seeking authorization to apply for funding through the Bernick's Family Foundation Grant Program. This grant directly aligns with the mission of the Recreation Department and the City to support youth health and fitness by providing opportunities for active lifestyles, recreation, and responsible living. The Application is due September 30, 2025 with decisions made within 120 days of the deadline. Programming, if funded, would be planned for 2026.

Grant Program Overview
The Bernick family started the Bernick Family Foundation to honor the legacy of its company founders by continuing the tradition of supporting organizations consistent with the family's core values, while providing leadership in responding to emerging community needs. Eligible organizations are nonprofits and government entities in the eligible service area - which includes Bemidji.

The Bernick's Family Foundation provides funding in the range of $5,000 – $40,000 for projects that promote fitness, recreation, and positive lifestyle choices for youth. No cash match is required. The Bernicks Family Foundation funded the award-winning "Let's Go Skating Program".

The Recreation Department intends to apply for funding to support "Kids in the Outdoors," a series of one-day special events for youth ages 6–17. The program is designed to: Encourage active and healthy lifestyles, offer inclusive and accessible outdoor recreation experiences, build social connections and lifelong skills in youth.

Proposed event highlights include:

- Paddle & Play (kayaking and paddleboarding)
- Bike Adventure Day
- Outdoor Athletic Sampler
- Ninja Warrior/Circuit Challenge
- Mindful Movement in Nature

Grant funds would be used to cover supplies, equipment, and qualified instructors, ensuring safe and engaging programming for all participants.

Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Council make a motion authorizing the Recreation Department to submit a grant application to the Bernicks Family Foundation.

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Meeting Date: September 22, 2025
Action Requested: Approve FY2026 Traffic Safety Officer/DWI Officer Grant-MN DPS
Prepared By: David LaZella, Police Captain

Background:
The Bemidji Police Department has been selected again and awarded a State-wide grant from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety-Office of Traffic Safety to fund a dedicated DWI enforcement officer. This grant will reimburse the City for wages, benefits, overtime and attendance at the annual 2025 "Toward Zero Deaths" conference for the assigned officer from October 1 2025 to September 30 2026. The total amount of reimbursement possible from this grant for the specified period is *$146,493.82*

The funding would not require a new hire, but rather fund an existing officer, already trained in advanced DWI detection and enforcement techniques. This would result in the above as salary savings for that period.

The application for the grant was limited to the top 25 counties in the State with the highest number of traffic fatalities, departments with 20 or more officers, and already active with a TZD program in good standing. For FY2025, and to date, the BPD DWI/Traffic Safety Officer has identified and arrested 152 persons for DWI, over 60% have been controlled substance related. BPD has participated in the dedicated DWI enforcement officer since October 1 2019 and has been an important part of traffic safety and preventing dangerous drivers from operating vehicles in our city.

Recommendation:
Staff recommends City Council authorize the Chief of Police and/or Police Captain to enter the grant agreement between the Police Department and the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, for the period of October 2025 to September 2026.

Minnesota Department of Public Safety ("State") Office of Traffic Safety 445 Minnesota Street, Suite 1620 Saint Paul, MN 55101	**Grant Program:** 2026 NHTSA: DWI / Traffic Safety Officer **Grant Contract Agreement No.:** A-OFFICR26-2026-BEMIDJPD-034
Grantee: Bemidji Police Department 613 Minnesota Avenue NW Bemidji, MN 56601-8924	**Grant Contract Agreement Term:** **Effective Date:** 10/01/2025 **Expiration Date:** 09/30/2026
Grantee's Authorized Representative: Captain David LaZella 613 Minnesota Avenue NW Bemidji, MN 56601-3036 (218)333-8396 dlazella@ci.bemidji.mn.us	**Grant Contract Agreement Amount:** Original Agreement $ 146,493.82 Matching Requirement $ 0.00
State's Authorized Representative: Duane Siedschlag, Impaired Driving Program Coordinator 445 Minnesota Street, Suite 1620 Saint Paul, MN 55101 (651)221-7078 Duane.siedschlag@state.mn.us	**Federal Funding:** CFDA/ALN: 20.608 & 20.608 & 20.600 **FAIN:** 69A37525300001640MNA & 69A37525300001640MNA & 69A37525300004020MNO **State Funding**: N/A **Special Conditions**: None

Under Minn. Stat. § 299A.01, Subd 2 (4) the State is empowered to enter into this grant contract agreement.

Term: The creation and validity of this grant contract agreement conforms with Minn. Stat. § 16B.98 Subdivision 5. Effective date is the date shown above or the date the State obtains all required signatures under Minn. Stat. § 16B.98, Subdivision 7, whichever is later. Once this grant contract agreement is fully executed, the Grantee may claim reimbursement for expenditures incurred pursuant to the Payment clause of this grant contract agreement. Reimbursements will only be made for those expenditures made according to the terms of this grant contract agreement. Expiration date is the date shown above or until all obligations have been satisfactorily fulfilled, whichever occurs first.

The Grantee, who is not a state employee, will:
Perform and accomplish such purposes and activities as specified herein and in the Grantee's approved 2026 NHTSA: DWI / Traffic Safety Officer Application ["Application"] which is incorporated by reference into this grant contract agreement and on file with the State at 445 Minnesota Street, Suite 620, Saint Paul, MN 55101. The Grantee shall also comply with all requirements referenced in the 2026 NHTSA: DWI / Traffic Safety Officer Guidelines and Application which includes the Terms and Conditions and Grant Program Guidelines (https://app.dps.mn.gov/EGrants), which are incorporated by reference into this grant contract agreement.

Budget Revisions: The breakdown of costs of the Grantee's Budget is contained in Exhibit A, which is attached and incorporated into this grant contract agreement. As stated in the Grantee's Application and Grant Program Guidelines, the Grantee will submit a written change request for any substitution of budget items or any deviation and in accordance with the Grant Program Guidelines. Requests must be approved prior to any expenditure by the Grantee.

Matching Requirements: (If applicable.) As stated in the Grantee's Application, the Grantee certifies that the matching requirement will be met by the Grantee.

Payment**:** As stated in the Grantee's Application and Grant Program Guidance, the State will promptly pay the Grantee after the Grantee presents an invoice for the services actually performed and the State's Authorized Representative accepts the invoiced services and in accordance with the Grant Program Guidelines. Payment will not be made if the Grantee has not satisfied reporting requirements.

Certification Regarding Lobbying: (If applicable.) Grantees receiving federal funds over $100,000.00 must complete and return the Certification Regarding Lobbying form provided by the State to the Grantee.

1. ENCUMBRANCE VERIFICATION

Individual certifies that funds have been encumbered as required by Minn. Stat. § 16A.15.

Signed: ____

Date: ____

3. STATE AGENCY

Signed: ____
(with delegated authority)

Title: ____

Date: ____

Grant Contract Agreement No./ P.O. No. A-OFFICR26-2026-BEMIDJPD-034 / 3000107375

Project No.26-03-03

2. GRANTEE

The Grantee certifies that the appropriate person(s) have executed the grant contract agreement on behalf of the Grantee as required by applicable articles, bylaws, resolutions, or ordinances.

Signed: ____

Print Name: ____

Title: ____

Date: ____

Signed: ____

Print Name: ____

Title: ____

Date: ____

Signed: ____

Print Name: ____

Title: ____

Date: ____

Distribution: DPS/FAS
Grantee
State's Authorized Representative

2026 DWI / Traffic Safety Officer

Revised - EXHIBIT A

Organization: Bemidji Police Department

A-OFFICR26-2026-BEMIDJPD-034

Budget Summary

Budget				
Budget Category	**State Reimbursement**	**Local Match**		
Salary				
DWI Officer Salary for FY2026	$146,493.82	$0.00		
Total	$146,493.82	$0.00		
Operating Expenses				
All Operating Expenses for DWI Officer	$0.00	$0.00		
Total	$0.00	$0.00		
Total	$146,493.82	$0.00		

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT

(Minnesota Department of Public Safety)

BE IT RESOLVED that the Bemidji Police Department enter into a grant agreement(s) with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety for the 2026 DWI Officers Grant Application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bemidji Chief of Police Department or the Bemidji Police Captain are hereby authorized to execute such agreements and amendments as are necessary to implement the grant on behalf of the Bemidji Police Department and to be the fiscal agent and administer the grant.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Councilmember __________, who moved its adoption, and on due second by Councilmember _______, was passed by the following vote:

Yeas:
Nays:
Absent:

Passed:

ATTEST:	APPROVED:
______________________________	______________________________
Michelle R. Miller, City Clerk	Jorge S. Prince, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

State of Minnesota }
}
County of Beltrami }

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution duly passed, adopted and approved by the city Council of said City on ______________, 2025.

(Seal) ______________________________
City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

Meeting Date: September 22, 2025
Action Requested: Council Action Setting the City of Bemidji Preliminary Levy for 2026.
Prepared By: Rich Spiczka, City Manager

Background:
The City is required to set the preliminary levy by September 30th, 2025. This levy is only the "ceiling" and can be lowered before we set the final levy at the regular council meeting on December 15, 2025. As we work through the details required to create a decent framework for setting the levy staff is focused on assuring we can offer the same level of service expected to our City, while focusing on efficiency. As we budget from year to year, there are uncontrollable items that will increase in cost in the event of supplies we need, services we must procure and wages/benefits we provide to staff to continue to serve our public. In order to simplify the budget process with the events of the storm in June, we are working the budget with the understanding that liquor store funds will be used to cover the overages in 2025 due to the storm. The only real impact on 2026 numbers is that Liquor Store fund transfers into other budget areas may be limited until we can restore our City Policy mandated 50% reserve.

Unfortunately, the levy process does create some difficulty in being fully prepared to have a solid number in September. We have a fair number of unknowns of costs of certain items and services that make it difficult to say with certainty we can do City business in 2026 for X percent. Staff are committed to a process that includes setting a preliminary number and working down to accomplish an efficient budget while serving the public's needs. We have successfully navigated this for the past couple of years and see no reason we cannot do so again.

Some key variables to keep in mind:
*The impact of wage increases both-union agreements and with non union staff is real.
*The health insurance market and our renewal rates are an expensive variable
*Planning for Paid Family Leave absences and backfill is a moving target
*Working to get onto an affordable CIP moving forward is challenging
*Focusing on efficiencies and exploring new ways to do things will be a 2026 focus

Staff is recommending a working preliminary levy number that allows us to fulfill department needs, maintain city services and provide options for 2026.

Recommendation:
Staff is recommending a working preliminary levy number that allows us to fulfill department needs, maintain city services and provide options for 2026.

		HISTORICAL			
		2022	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**
General Fund Budget	Operating Costs	14,077,897	14,253,097	16,021,362	16,948,034
	Capital Improvements	1,159,189	969,000	904,400	810,000
	Total	**15,237,086**	**15,222,097**	**16,925,762**	**17,758,034**
Property Tax Levy	General Fund	6,374,474	6,679,114	7,224,099	7,404,143
	Sanford Center	210,000	210,000	210,000	210,000
	Streets	385,000	385,000	385,000	535,000
	Bonds	267,055	283,343	288,243	300,971
	Total	**7,236,529**	**7,557,457**	**8,107,342**	**8,450,114**
Levy Over Prior Year	**% Increase**	**8.8%**	**4.4%**	**7.3%**	**4.2%**
	$ Increase	584,375	320,928	549,885	342,772
	%=$	66,406	72,938	75,327	81,612
Local Government Aid		3,667,485	3,694,035	4,027,132	4,030,842
Property Tax Levy	General Fund	6,374,474	6,679,114	7,224,099	7,404,143
	Sub Total	10,041,959	10,373,149	11,251,231	11,434,985
	Other Revenue/Transfers	**5,195,127**	**4,848,948**	**5,674,531**	**6,323,049**
Reserves General Fund	50% Yearly Total	7,618,543	7,611,049	8,462,881	8,879,017
MN Dept of Revenue	City	51.13%	44.42%	44.12%	44.50%
	County	61.30%	53.00%	51.39%	51.85%
	School	14.38%	12.39%	10.78%	10.01%
	Other	1.00%	82.00%	1.24%	1.79%
	Total	**127.81%**	**191.81%**	**107.53%**	**108.15%**
Net Tax Capacity	City of Bemidji	14,154,230	17,013,600	18,376,156	18,990,183
	% Increase	4.7%	20.2%	8.0%	3.3%
Taxable Market Value	Beltrami County	1,077,271,143	1,320,764,167	1,442,775,669	1,484,668,059
	% Increase	4.6%	22.6%	9.2%	2.9%

2026 LEVY OPTIONS

		Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4
General Fund Budget	Operating Costs	17,818,062	17,818,062	17,818,062	17,818,062
	Capital Improvements	2,030,993	2,199,996	2,368,998	2,538,000
	Total	**19,849,055**	**20,018,058**	**20,187,060**	**20,356,062**
Property Tax Levy	General Fund	7,599,016	7,768,019	7,937,021	8,106,023
	Sanford Center	210,000	210,000	210,000	210,000
	Streets	535,000	535,000	535,000	535,000
	Bonds	275,100	275,100	275,100	275,100
	Total	**8,619,116**	**8,788,119**	**8,957,121**	**9,126,123**
Levy Over Prior Year	**% Increase**	**2.0%**	**4.0%**	**6.0%**	**8.0%**
	$ Increase	169,002	338,005	507,007	676,009
	%=$	84,501	84,501	84,501	84,501
Local Government Aid		4,037,518	4,037,518	4,037,518	4,037,518
Property Tax Levy	General Fund	7,599,016	7,768,019	7,937,021	8,106,023
	Sub Total	11,636,534	11,805,537	11,974,539	12,143,541
	Other Revenue/Transfers	**8,212,521**	**8,212,521**	**8,212,521**	**8,212,521**
Reserves General Fund	50% Yearly Total	9,924,528	10,009,029	10,093,530	10,178,031
MN Dept of Revenue	City **a**				
	County				
	School				
	Other				
	Total	**0.00%**	**0.00%**	**0.00%**	**0.00%**
Net Tax Capacity	City of Bemidji **b**	18,990,183	18,990,183	18,990,183	18,990,183
	% Increase	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Taxable Market Value	Beltrami County **c**	1,484,668,059	1,484,668,059	1,484,668,059	1,484,668,059
	% Increase	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

a %'s not yet available on MN Dept of Revenue Web Site
b Showing No change as worst case scenario
c Showing No change as worst case scenario

CITY OF BEMIDJI RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TAX EXAMPLES BASED ON LEVY CHANGES

		HISTORICAL					2026 Levy Options			
		2022	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**		**2.00%**	**4.00%**	**6.00%**	**8.00%**
Property Tax levy	Total	7,236,529	7,557,457	8,107,342	8,450,114		8,619,116	8,788,119	8,957,121	9,126,123
	General Fund	6,024,474	6,329,114	6,874,099	7,054,143		7,249,016	7,418,019	7,587,021	7,756,023
	Sanford Center CIP	210,000	210,000	210,000	210,000		210,000	210,000	210,000	210,000
	Sanford Center Subsidy	350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000		350,000	350,000	350,000	350,000
	Streets	385,000	385,000	385,000	535,000		535,000	535,000	535,000	535,000
	Bonds	267,055	283,343	288,243	300,971		275,100	275,100	275,100	275,100
Net Tax Capacity		14,154,230	17,013,600	18,376,156	18,990,183		18,990,183	18,990,183	18,990,183	18,990,183
Levy $ / Net Tax Capacity		51%	44%	44%	44%		45%	46%	47%	48%
Home #1										
Estimated Market Value	Full Home Value	71,200	86,300	97,000	100,600	*	100,600			
Homestead Excl	Less Homestead Exclusion	28,500	29,473	28,510	37,496		37,496			
Taxable Mkt Value	Actual Value Taxed	42,700	56,827	68,490	63,104		63,104			
City Tax Portion	**Yearly City Tax Payable**	**223**	**256**	**305**	**281**		**286**	**292**	**298**	**303**
	Increase $		**34**	**48**	**(24)**		**6**	**11**	**17**	**22**
	Sanford Center Portion Only	16	19	21	19		19	19	19	19
Home #2										
Estimated Market Value	Full Home Value	136,400	170,300	192,600	200,100	*	200,100			
Homestead Excl	Less Homestead Exclusion	25,000	21,913	19,906	28,541		28,541			
Taxable Mkt Value	Actual Value Taxed	111,400	148,387	172,694	171,559		171,559			
City Tax Portion	**Yearly City Tax Payable**	**581**	**670**	**768**	**764**		**779**	**794**	**809**	**824**
	Increase $		**89**	**98**	**(5)**		**15**	**30**	**46**	**61**
	Sanford Center Portion Only	41	50	53	51		51	52	53	54
Home #3										
Estimated Market Value	Full Home Value	229,100	287,900	316,100	341,400	*	341,400			
Homestead Excl	Less Homestead Exclusion	16,600	11,329	8,791	15,824		15,824			
Taxable Mkt Value	Actual Value Taxed	212,500	276,571	307,309	325,576		325,576			
City Tax Portion	**Yearly City Tax Payable**	**1,108**	**1,248**	**1,367**	**1,449**		**1,478**	**1,507**	**1,536**	**1,565**
	Increase $		**141**	**119**	**82**		**29**	**58**	**87**	**116**
	Sanford Center Portion Only	78	93	94	96		96	98	100	102
Home #4										
Estimated Market Value	Full Home Value	330,700	452,200	472,200	478,800	*	478,800			
Homestead Excl	Less Homestead Exclusion	7,500	0	0	3,458		3,458			
Taxable Mkt Value	Actual Value Taxed	323,200	452,200	472,200	475,342		475,342			
City Tax Portion	**Yearly City Tax Payable**	**1,688**	**2,042**	**2,101**	**2,115**		**2,157**	**2,200**	**2,242**	**2,284**
	Increase $		**355**	**58**	**14**		**43**	**85**	**127**	**169**
	Sanford Center Portion Only	119	151	145	140		140	143	146	148

*** Based on no market changes**

Bemidji — First City On The Mississippi

FUND DESCRIPTION	Budget 2025 REVENUE	Budget 2025 EXPENSES	Budget Draft 2026 REVENUE	Budget Draft 2026 EXPENSES	25 v 26 REVENUE	25 v 26 EXPENSES
GENERAL FUND REVENUE						
General Fund	(18,009,334)		(20,356,002)		2,346,668	
Property Taxes	$ (7,404,029)		$ (7,429,900)		25,871	
Other Taxes & Assessments	$ (1,620,300)		$ (1,396,100)		(224,200)	
Licenses & Permits	$ (146,200)		$ (133,450)		(12,750)	
State Aid & Grants - LGA	$ (4,777,187)		$ (4,742,118)		(35,069)	
Other Revenue	$ (229,090)		$ (241,549)		12,459	
Fire Revenue	$ (735,000)		$ (796,635)		61,635	
Fines & Fees	$ (170,196)		$ (151,250)		(18,946)	
Transfer	$ (2,927,332)		$ (5,465,000)		2,537,668	
	$ (18,009,334)		**$ (20,356,002)**		**$ 2,346,668**	

2026 Assumptions - Revenues	**2025**	**2026**	**25 v 26**
No Change in Property Tax Values	0	0	0
Franchise Fees Decreased	(1,620,300)	(1,396,100)	(224,200)
Other Revenue Decreased	(5,322,673)	(5,268,068)	(54,605)
Totals	**$ (6,942,973)**	**$ (6,664,168)**	**$ (278,805)**

GENERAL FUND EXPENSE	Budget 2025 EXPENSES	Budget Draft 2026 EXPENSES		25 v 26 EXPENSES
Mayor & Council	$ 176,690	$ 176,690		0
Administration	$ 630,112	$ 643,939		13,827
Election	$ 4,450	$ 15,650		11,200
Finance	$ 718,457	$ 742,610		24,153
Technology Services	$ 175,000	$ 185,000		10,000
Assessing	$ 138,000	$ 140,000		2,000
Legal	$ 803,919	$ 845,882		41,963
Planning & Zoning	$ 481,303	$ 526,606		45,302
Police	$ 6,241,038	$ 7,043,182		802,144
Fire & Emergency	$ 2,039,063	$ 2,102,232		63,169
Streets	$ 1,956,381	$ 1,734,375	**a**	(222,006)
GIS	$ 165,256	$ 166,107		851
Engineering & PW Admin	$ 657,424	$ 688,126		30,702
Parks & Trails	$ 1,348,059	$ 1,385,754		37,695
Recreation	$ 651,306	$ 400,000	**b**	(251,306)
Library	$ 239,275	$ 245,850		6,575
Sanford Center	$ 350,000	$ 350,000		0
Economic Development	$ 30,000	$ 30,000		0
Contingencies	$ 225,000	$ 225,000		0
Public Transportation	$ 2,600	$ -	**c**	(2,600)
Transfers	$ 166,000	$ 171,000		5,000
Capital Expenditures	$ 810,000	$ 2,538,000	**d**	1,728,000
	$ 18,009,334	**$ 20,356,002**		**$ 2,346,668**
Without Capital Expenditures	**$ 17,199,334**	**$ 17,818,002**		**618,668**

a 220K added in wrong place in 2025 budget
b reduction and split from Parks
c No longer required
d 2.5M CIP

2026 Assumptions - Expenses		**2025**	**2026**	**25 v 26**
Increase in Wages, Taxes	**e**	9,383,303	10,069,324	686,021
Increase in Benefits	**f**	1,815,044	2,063,617	248,573
Increase in CPI, Services	**g**	2,597,487	3,134,354	536,867
Increase in CPI, Non Services	**h**	4,213,500	5,088,706	875,206
Totals		**$ 18,009,334**	**$ 20,356,002**	**$ 2,346,668**

e Includes Union Increases
f Includes Increase in Health Insurance & PFML
g Includes $2.5M CIP portion applicable
h Includes $2.5M CIP portion applicable

GENERAL FUND CIP DRAFT 2026

Dept Name	Project Name/Description	Levy Dept	2026	Where $ coming from 2026
Engineering	GPS Tablet	101	10,000.00	Levy General Fund
Finance	Software Upgrades	101	250,000.00	Levy General Fund
Fire Protection	Engine	101	**1,200,000.00**	Levy General Fund
Fire Protection	Station Two Upgrade	101	35,000.00	Levy General Fund
Fire Protection	Yavarow Office build out	101	25,000.00	Levy General Fund
GIS	Aerial digital photgraphy	101	23,000.00	Levy General Fund
Legal	Integration with PPX LE record system	101	12,000.00	Levy General Fund
Parks & Trails	Bobcat SG 60 stump grinder	101	12,500.00	Levy General Fund
Parks & Trails	Cameron Trail Project Grant	101	48,000.00	Levy General Fund
Parks & Trails	Garbage receptacles	101	15,000.00	Levy General Fund
Parks & Trails	Nymore tennis court resurfacing	101	27,500.00	Levy General Fund
Parks & Trails	Toro 6040 field groomer	101	50,000.00	Levy General Fund
Planning & Zoning	Replacment Vehicle	101	40,000.00	Levy General Fund
Police	Squad vehciles - equipped	101	160,000.00	Levy General Fund
Police	Detective SUV	101	75,000.00	Levy General Fund
Police	Computers	101	15,000.00	Levy General Fund
Police	BWC Audit	101	5,000.00	Levy General Fund
Police	Police Bldg Maintenance	101	50,000.00	Levy General Fund
Street	Downtown Reconstruction Study	101	150,000.00	Levy General Fund
Street	Truck & Roll off box	101	250,000.00	Levy General Fund
Street	Tool Cat	101	85,000.00	Levy General Fund
	Sub Total		2,538,000.00	
Perm Improvement	Annual Street Reconstruction Project	226	535,000.00	Levy
Sanford Center	Sanford Center	604	210,000.00	Levy
Debt Service	Bonds	306	275,100.00	Levy
	Total		3,558,100.00	

Committed purchase in 2026

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING PRELIMINARY TAX LEVY FOR TAXES PAYABLE IN 2026 AND SETTING THE 2025 TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING DATE

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEMIDJI, COUNTY OF BELTRAMI, MINNESOTA, that the following sums of money be levied for taxes payable in 2026, upon the taxable property in the said City of Bemidji, for the following purposes:

General Fund	$_________
Sanford Center Capital Replacement	_________
Street Improvements	_________
2007 G.O. Bonds Public Works Facility	___________
Total All Levies	$_________

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bemidji City Council set the Truth in Taxation public hearing date on Monday, December 1, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

The City Clerk is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of Beltrami County, Minnesota.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Councilmember ________, who moved its adoption, and on due second by Councilmember ____________________, was passed by the following vote:

Yeas:
Nays:
Absent:

Passed:

ATTEST:	APPROVED:
______________________________	______________________________
Michelle R. Miller, City Clerk	Jorge S. Prince, Mayor

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

State of Minnesota }
}
County of Beltrami }

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. ______ duly passed, adopted and approved by the City Council of said City on ___________________.

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City Clerk