

BEMIDJI CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Monday, November 3, 2025

**Council Chambers
City Hall – 317 4th Street NW
6:00 PM**



ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

MINUTES

- 1) September 22, 2025 Work Session
September 22, 2025 Sp Council Meeting

CONSENT AGENDA #1

Items in the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion without discussion/debate. The Mayor will ask if any Councilmember wishes to remove an item. If no items are to be removed, the Mayor will then ask for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

- 2) Claims Submitted by Finance Officer in the Amount Of \$1,218,152.59
- 3) Claims Submitted by ASM Global for the Sanford Center in the Amount of \$150,488.66
- 4) Approve September Financials from ASM Global for the Sanford Center
- 5) 2025 Business License Approvals
- 6) 2026 Business License Approvals
- 7) Second Reading of On and Off Sale Beer License Renewals for 2026
- 8) 2026 Liquor, Sunday Liquor and Wine License Renewals
- 9) Approve Change Order No. 7 - WWTF Final Clarifier Project - City Project 23-03
- 10) Approve Bemidji Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association Pension Benefit and Bylaw Amendment
- 11) Approve Memorandum of Agreement Regarding City Manager Termination Benefits Amendment and Amended City of Bemidji City Manager Annual Performance Evaluation Process
- 12) Resolution Amending Legal Descriptions to Resolution No. 6621
- 13) Resolution Approving Gambling Premises Permit for Lawful Gambling to Bemidji Youth Hockey at Buffalo Wild Wings

CONSENT AGENDA #2

- 14) Claims Submitted by Finance Officer to VisitBemidji in the Amount of \$51,865.43

CITIZENS WITH BUSINESS BEFORE THIS COUNCIL-NOT ON AN AGENDA

Public Comment – Please give your name, address, and state your concern/comment. Visitors may

share their concerns with City Council on any issue, which is not already on the agenda. Each person will have 3 minutes to speak. The Mayor reserves the right to limit an individual's presentation if it becomes redundant, repetitive or overly argumentative. The Mayor may also limit the number of individual presentations on any issue to accommodate the scheduled agenda items. COMMENTS WILL BE TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT BY THE COUNCIL.

REPORT

- 15) Sustainability Commission

NEW BUSINESS

- 16) Consider Resolution Adopting Final Assessment Roll - 2025 Street Renewal Project - City Project 25-01
- 17) Consider Adopting Final Assessment Roll - 2025 Park Avenue NW Reconstruction Project - City Project 25-02

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 18) November 10, 2025 (5:30 pm) - Planning Board
November 17, 2025 (6:00 pm) - Council Meeting
November 24, 2025 (5:30 pm) - Work Session

ADJOURN

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA
Work Session – September 22, 2025

DRAFT

Pursuant to due call and notice, a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota, was held on Monday, September 22, 2025 at 5:43 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Mayor Prince presiding.

Upon roll call, the following Councilmembers were declared present: Prince, Fiskevold Gould, Peterson, Dickinson, Rivera, Eaton, Thayer.

Present: Rich Spiczka, Sam Anderson, Michelle Miller, Matthew Upgren, Darren Laesch

MnDOT TH 197 Update

MnDOT provided an update on the Trunk Highway 197 project, addressing both the current status and future schedule. Due to funding delays and adjustments, project staging had to be modified. The city's roundabout construction is underway, with MnDOT's main highway work now spread over the next two years (2026-2027). MnDOT explained that their portion will start on the west side of town in summer 2026, coordinated with city construction to avoid overlap. During construction, live traffic will remain on Highway 197, though there will be two short-term closures (approximately 2-3 weeks each) for Highway 71 at the intersection. Temporary signals and signage will help manage access to local businesses. MnDOT's right-of-way staff are working with corridor landowners for easements and property issues, and ongoing meetings with business owners address construction impacts. A public open house is scheduled for October 23rd to keep residents informed.

Communication plans include pre-construction open houses, weekly construction meetings (in person and virtual), an email distribution list, a phone hotline, and a dedicated business liaison to support local businesses. MnDOT highlighted strategies for supporting businesses during construction, such as working with the local Small Business Development Center, Chamber of Commerce, and using community-driven promotional initiatives.

Council and MnDOT discussed options for new light poles as part of the Trunk Highway 197 project. MnDOT proposed using standard light poles (without banner brackets or GFCI outlets) and offered to cover the cost of "knockdowns" (major repairs due to accidents or damage) if the standard option was chosen. These standards align with statewide policy and simplify maintenance responsibilities.

If decorative features such as banner brackets or outlets were added (as are seen elsewhere in the city), the city would be responsible for the cost of knockdowns and ongoing major maintenance, as these features make the poles "non-standard" in MnDOT's view. Several councilmembers expressed a preference for the simpler, standard option to minimize costs and streamline maintenance. They also appreciated MnDOT's offer to assume responsibility for major repairs. Some councilmembers noted aesthetic or community benefits associated with decorative lighting, but agreed practicality and cost were more important for this project area. The discussion clarified that installing decorative poles would not affect installation costs (covered by grant funding) but would affect long-term maintenance obligations for the city. Councilmembers asked about precedents and maintenance agreements for other parts of the city, and MnDOT clarified the statewide policy that guides such decisions. Most councilmembers ultimately supported the simpler, standard lighting solution without banner brackets or outlets.

The MnDOT team addressed council questions, particularly around signage for business access, detour routes, timing during local events (like the county fair), and funding contingencies. The team committed to adapting plans as needed to minimize disruptions.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, motion by Dickinson, seconded by Eaton, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle R. Miller
City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA

Special Meeting – September 22, 2025

DRAFT

Pursuant to due call and notice, a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota, was held on Monday, September 22, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Mayor Prince presiding.

Upon roll call, the following Councilmembers were declared present: Prince, Fiskevold Gould, Rivera, Eaton, Thayer.

AGENDA

Prince stated that due to technical difficulties, there will not be a closed session on the agenda. Staff suggested adding a resolution for consideration in open session to the agenda. **Motion by Eaton, seconded by Thayer adding Resolution of the Bemidji City Council Rejecting a Purported Settlement Offer from Northern Township Concerning Pending Contested Boundary Adjustment Proceedings to the agenda. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.**

BUSINESS

Authorize Grant Submission to Bernick's Family Foundation for the Recreation Department

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.

Motion by Fiskevold Gould, seconded by Thayer authorizing grant submission to Bernick's Family Foundation for the Recreation Department. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

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.

RESOLUTION NO. 6650: Authorizing Execution of Grant Agreement with MN Department of Public Safety for 2026 DWI Officers Grant Application was offered by Councilmember Thayer, who moved its adoption, and upon due second by Councilmember Fiskevold Gould, passed by unanimous voice vote.

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

Spiczka state that the City is required to set the preliminary levy by September 30, 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. Spiczka stated that 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, staff is 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.

Staff presented historical levy data, levy options for 2026 (2%, 4%, 6%, 8%), and property tax examples illustrating impacts for different property types. The preliminary levy discussion centered around balancing city needs (public safety, capital improvements, reserves) with taxpayer affordability. Staff and council acknowledged uncertainty regarding some costs (e.g., storm recovery, insurance, legal fees) and discussed the limits and risks of using reserves or specific revenue sources (like liquor store funds).

Councilmembers expressed concern about the financial impact on homeowners, renters, and businesses, particularly in light of recent storm-related expenses. There was broad agreement to set the preliminary levy at 6% as a maximum, while expressing a hope to reduce it before final adoption if possible, after further analysis and updated data. Several councilors highlighted the need for alternative funding sources (such as hospitality taxes or increased fees) and stressed the importance of separating essential from non-essential expenses.

RESOLUTION NO. 6651: Approving Preliminary Tax Levy for Taxes Payable in 2026 at 6% and Setting the 2025 Truth in Taxation Hearing for Monday, December 1 at 6:00 p.m. was offered by Councilmember Rivera, who moved its adoption, and upon due second by Councilmember Thayer, passed by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Thayer, Fiskevold Gould, Prince, Rivera, Eaton, Dickinson. Nays: Peterson.

Consider Resolution Rejecting Settlement Offer from Northern Township Concerning Pending Contested Boundary Adjustment Proceedings

The council considered a resolution to reject a settlement offer from Northern Township concerning contested boundary adjustments. Councilmember Dickinson raised concerns about perceived inflammatory language in the resolution (specifically, the words "generous," "significant," and "favorable") and moved to amend the resolution by removing "generous" and "significant," with discussion about retaining "favorable" and replacing "significant" with "numerous concessions."

RESOLUTION NO. 6652: Rejecting a Purported Settlement Offer from Northern Township Concerning Pending Contested Boundary Adjustment Proceedings with changes to the third

WHEREAS paragraph by eliminating the word generous in the second sentence and replacing the word significant in the third sentence with “numerous concessions” and retaining “favorable financial terms” was offered by Councilmember Dickinson, who moved its adoption, and upon due second by Councilmember Eaton, passed by the following roll call vote: Yeas: Prince, Rivera, Thayer, Dickinson, Eaton, Fiskevold Gould, Peterson.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, motion by Fiskevold Gould, seconded by Peterson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle R. Miller
City Clerk

Bill List Summary

November 3rd, 2025

<u>Check /Wire</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	See Attached List	<u>1,218,152.59</u>
		\$1,218,152.59
	TOTAL	\$ 1,218,152.59

Accounts Payable

Blanket Voucher Approval Document

User: denisea
Printed: 10/29/2025 - 2:18PM
Warrant Request Date: 11/4/2025
DAC Fund:



Batch: 00404.11.2025

COUNCIL BILL LIST

Line	Claimant	Voucher No.	Amount
1	A Stitch in Time	000043837	78.76
2	Ace On The Lake	000043836	1,552.17
3	Acme Tools-Bemidji	000043835	1,427.99
4	Allstar Construction Fargo	000043834	10,457.10
5	American Engineering Testing, Inc.	000043833	7,814.50
6	Anderson,Michael	000000000	269.95
7	Artisan Beer Company	000043832	1,377.90
8	Auto Value Bemidji	000043831	83.51
9	Becker,Jesse	000000000	75.00
10	Bellboy Corporation	000000000	5,347.28
11	Beltrami County Auditor/Treasurer	000043830	57,481.97
12	Bemidji Coca-Cola Bottling Co, Inc	000043829	752.60
13	Bemidji Downtown Alliance Board	000043828	1,962.50
14	Bemidji Paper Sales, Inc.	000043827	469.14
15	Bemidji Wildlife Removal Service	000043826	275.00
16	Bernick's	000000000	33,044.08
17	Bessler Electric	000000000	6,159.44
18	Blue Ox Operations, LLC	000043825	401.10
19	Bob's Econo Pump	000043824	115.00
20	Botzek,Luke	000000000	198.38
21	Bound Tree Medical, LLC	000043823	770.25
22	Breakthru Beverage Minnesota Beer, LLC	000043822	800.75
23	Breakthru Beverage Minnesota Wine & Spirits, LLC	000043821	18,994.81
24	Canva US Inc.	000043820	119.99
25	Cellebrite Inc.	000043819	15,000.00
26	Cenex Fleetcard	000043818	19,248.62
27	City of Bemidji - ACH	000000000	3,925.00
28	Clarity Glass	000043817	1,170.17
29	Cleaning Maid Simple	000000000	1,740.00
30	Comm of MMB, Treas. Division	000043816	1,340.00
31	Compass Minerals America Inc.	000043815	17,426.19
32	Cool Threads	000043814	1,537.50
33	Core & Main	000043813	2,712.88
34	Dahlheimer Beverage Brainerd	000000000	1,847.50
35	Department of Employment/Econ.Dev.	000000000	1,629.63
36	Department of Public Safety	000043812	40.00
37	D-S Beverages	000043811	23,807.86
38	Flagship Recreation, LLC	000043810	2,891.00
39	Frontier Precision, Inc.	000043809	42,306.63
40	Grand Forks Fire Equipment LLC	000000000	1,823.15
41	Guardian Pest Control, Inc	000043808	100.33
42	Hawkins, Inc.	000043807	28,746.10
43	HEGLAND,TOMY	000043806	12.98
44	Home City Ice Co.	000043805	445.36

Page Total: \$317,780.07

Line	Claimant	Voucher No.	Amount
45	HRA	000043804	20,056.18
46	Ink Spot Press	000043803	432.83
47	Ironhide Equipment, Inc.	000000000	283.40
48	J.P.Cooke Company	000043802	133.00
49	Jake's Stump Grinding & Tree Service LLC	000043801	50,000.00
50	Jim Hirt Trucking, Inc	000043800	1,741.52
51	Joe's Northwoods Pest Control	000043799	110.50
52	Johnson Bros., Inc.	000043798	29,249.64
53	Jon's Refuse Solutions, Inc	000043797	2,601.00
54	Karm LLC	000043796	4,000.00
55	Karvakko Engineering, Inc.	000000000	5,214.92
56	Keller Fence Company-North, Inc	000043795	60,641.12
57	Korinta,Tim	000000000	103.00
58	Kuechenmeister,Timothy	000000000	147.74
59	Larry's Machine Shop	000043794	14.19
60	Locators & Supplies, Inc.	000000000	291.33
61	Loebs,Chris	000000000	289.20
62	Loucks	000043793	29,630.40
63	Maid In Bemidji, Inc.	000000000	600.00
64	Marco, Inc.	000000000	11.66
65	Max Fire Training, Inc	000043792	7,943.95
66	McKinnon Co., Inc.	000043791	20,854.23
67	McMaster-Carr Supply Co.	000000000	138.51
68	Menards-Bemidji	000043790	947.26
69	Mike Motors	000043789	19.00
70	Milk and Honey Ciders	000043788	274.00
71	Miller,Ekren	000043787	500.00
72	MN Dept of Commerce	000000000	3,688.86
73	MN Dept of Transportation	000043786	652.80
74	MN Energy Resources	000000000	2,012.74
75	MN Valley Testing Lab, Inc.	000000000	300.80
76	NAPA Auto Parts/Premier	000043785	222.96
77	Nei Bottling, Inc.	000043784	268.75
78	Northern Paving Inc.	000043783	205.70
79	NovaCare Rehabilitation	000043782	185.00
80	NW Tire, Incorporated	000043781	419.95
81	Otter Tail Power Company	000043780	555.73
82	Paul Bunyan Communications	000043779	3,290.22
83	Peterson Sheet Metal, Inc.	000000000	2,952.58
84	PFM Financial Advisors LLC	000043778	1,500.00
85	Phillips Wine & Spirits	000043777	31,369.61
86	Port-Able John Rental & Service	000000000	1,733.93
87	Postmaster	000043776	2,787.46
88	Rice Lake Construction Group	000043775	483,085.41
89	RITE	000043774	5,423.54
90	RMB Environmental Laboratories, Inc.	000043773	831.84
91	S&D Glass	000043772	500.00
92	Sand,Gary	000043771	500.00
93	Sanford Center	000043770	601.00
94	Schlattman,Tyler	000000000	280.00
95	Schneck,Noah	000000000	343.00
96	Sether,Charlene	000000000	38.00
97	Sikkink,Malayna	000000000	30.00
98	Skeeter Stitch	000043769	96.00
99	Skumavc,Kori	000000000	54.39
100	Small Lot MN	000043768	1,531.27
101	Southern Glazer's of MN	000043767	15,912.20

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Line	Claimant	Voucher No.	Amount
102	Southside Tow & Rec, Inc	000043766	5,693.30
103	Sparky's Construction, Inc.	000043765	60,417.29
104	Stittsworth,Diana	000000000	63.00
105	Stoel Rives LLP	000043764	3,352.00
106	Strassburg Enterprises	000043763	6,100.00
107	T & K Outdoors, Inc.	000043762	1,729.20
108	TDS Media Direct, Inc.	000043761	498.00
109	Thorson,Scott	000043760	1,500.00
110	UPS Store	000043759	15.10
111	Vestis	000043758	1,577.61
112	Vinocopia, Inc.	000000000	8,781.24
113	Warren,Neal	000000000	383.00
114	Wes Plumbing & Heating	000043757	9,613.01
115	WEX Health, Inc	000000000	540.75
116	Wine Merchants	000043756	1,031.50
117	Yeager,Emmarie	000000000	343.00
118	Ziegler, Inc.	000000000	1,132.20
Page Total:			\$102,770.20
Grand Total:			\$1,218,152.59

**Sanford Center
Cash Requirements
As of Nov 4, 2025**

Filter Criteria includes: 1) Invoices Due (no discount available). Report order is by ID. Report is printed in Detail Format.

Vendor	Description	Date	Amount Due
Advanced Business Integrations	Timeclock Software	10/18/25	340.53
Ace on the Lake	Operating Supplies	10/17/25	21.66
Ace on the Lake	Operating Supplies	10/27/25	1.50
Ace on the Lake	Ace on the Lake		23.16
ADP, Inc	Payroll Software	10/17/25	481.04
Amanda Schackman	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	60.00
ASL Interpreting Services, Inc	Show Interpreting Service Reimbursable	10/22/25	1,345.00
ASM Global	Workday HR Software	10/15/25	5,557.00
ASM Global	Event Insurance Reimbursable	10/16/25	285.60
ASM Global	ASM Global		5,842.60
Bemidji Coca-Cola Company	Inventory - Beverage	10/16/25	676.11
Bemidji Coca-Cola Company	Inventory - Beverage	10/17/25	125.80
Bemidji Coca-Cola Company	Inventory - F&B Paper	10/17/25	163.88
Bemidji Coca-Cola Company	Inventory - F&B Paper/Plastic	10/17/25	487.76
Bemidji Coca-Cola Company	Inventory - Beverage	10/22/25	1,032.69
Bemidji Coca-Cola Company	Inventory - Beverage	10/24/25	251.60
Bemidji Coca-Cola Company	Inventory - Beverage	10/24/25	228.86
Bemidji Coca-Cola Company	Bemidji Coca-Cola Company		2,966.70
Bemidji Community Arena Corp	BSU Ice Rental - Show Displacement Reimbursable	10/20/25	200.00
Bemidji ECFE Parent Advisory Council	NPO Payment	10/17/25	753.46
Bemidji Community Threater	NPO Payment	10/24/25	524.07
Bemidji Youth Soccer	NPO Payment	10/25/25	562.50
Bernick's	Inventory - Beer	10/21/25	202.80
Bemidji Boys HS Volleyball Booster	NPO Payment	10/18/25	908.21
Brandon Mack	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	60.00
Bemidji State University	NPO Payment	10/25/25	578.80
Bemidji State University	NPO Payment	10/17/25	673.48
Bemidji State University	NPO Payment	10/24/25	614.40
Bemidji State University	Bemidji State University		1,866.68

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Central McGowan Inc	Fuel Propane	10/1/25	255.79
Central McGowan Inc	Fuel Propane and F&B CO2	10/16/25	377.47
Central McGowan Inc	Fuel Propance	10/24/25	289.15
Central McGowan Inc	F&B CO2	10/24/25	159.82
Central McGowan Inc	Central McGowan Inc		1,082.23
Chocolates Plus	Show Artist Gift	10/15/25	47.47
City of Bemidji	MCR: 2026 Liquor License Renewal	10/29/25	4,255.00
Constellation Newenergy-Gas Div. LLC	Utility - Natural Gas	10/16/25	9,241.29
Country Inn & Suites Bemidji	Legends Global RVP Lodging	10/10/25	384.69
Country Inn & Suites Bemidji	Ticketing Support Lodging	10/11/25	139.37
Country Inn & Suites Bemidji	Ticketing Support Lodging	10/19/25	406.97
Country Inn & Suites Bemidji	Show Conversion Lodging	10/19/25	278.74
Country Inn & Suites Bemidji	Show Conversion Lodging	10/19/25	278.74
Country Inn & Suites Bemidji	Show Conversion Lodging	10/19/25	278.74
Country Inn & Suites Bemidji	Show Conversion Lodging	10/19/25	278.74
Country Inn & Suites Bemidji	Ticketing Support Lodging	10/26/25	406.97
Country Inn & Suites Bemidji	Country Inn & Suites Bemidji		2,452.96
D-S Beverages Inc	Inventory - Beer	10/15/25	349.25
D-S Beverages Inc	Inventory - Beer	10/16/25	582.40
D-S Beverages Inc	Inventory - Beer	10/22/25	873.00
D-S Beverages Inc	D-S Beverages Inc		1,804.65
Dacotah Paper Co	Janitorial Supplies	10/26/25	1,828.06
Earl F. Anderson	Parking Signage	10/15/25	189.65
Ethan Rogers	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	60.00
Fayen LLC	Show Conversion Reimburseable	10/20/25	14,075.00
First City Lions	NPO Payment	10/18/25	683.51
Forklifts of Minneosta, Inc.	Annual Forklift Inspection/Service	10/16/25	163.03
Forklifts of Minneosta, Inc.	Annual Forklift Inspection/Service	10/16/25	360.03
Forklifts of Minneosta, Inc.	Forklifts of Minneosta, Inc.		523.06
Hard Target, Inc.	Contracted Security & EMT Reimburseable	10/16/25	2,373.75

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Heidi Neese	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	60.00
Bemidji Area Schools	NPO Payment	10/17/25	556.26
Bemidji Area Schools	NPO Payment	10/18/25	512.18
Bemidji Area Schools	NPO Payment	10/24/25	531.04
Bemidji Area Schools	NPO Payment	10/25/25	593.20
Bemidji Area Schools	Bemidji Area Schools		2,192.68
Janine Johnson	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	60.00
Jason Larimer	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	60.00
John Drum	Reimbursement: Staff Meals, Operating Supplies, Show Lodging Reimbursable, Office Supplies, and Canva Subscriptions	10/28/25	545.53
Jordan Mann	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	60.00
Kevin Kelley	Reimbursement: Travel for Ticketing Support	10/26/25	495.57
Lake Superior Cutting Edge, LLC	Operating Supplies	10/15/25	400.00
Lexi Mudrick	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	60.00
Lil' Bitty Donuts LLC	Settlement - Contracted F&B Vendor Payment	10/29/25	6,462.66
Luekens Village Foods - North	Inventory - Food	10/29/25	69.50
Luekens Village Foods - South	Inventory - Food	10/18/25	9.58
Margarita Man HQ, LLC	Inventory - Beverage	10/23/25	405.65
McKinnon Company Inc	Inventory - Beer	10/15/25	513.25
McKinnon Company Inc	Inventory - Beer	10/21/25	541.25
McKinnon Company Inc	McKinnon Company Inc		1,054.50
Minnesota Department of Public Safety	F&B - Renew Buyers Card	10/24/25	20.00
Morgan Skiles	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	60.00
Nate Anderson	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	60.00
Noctural Resources LLC	MCR: Show Conversion Reimbursable	10/20/25	9,785.81
Oak Hills Christian College	Show Conversion Reimbursable	10/18/25	208.25

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Olivia Wilson	Reimbursement: Travel for Ticketing Support	10/20/25	<u>1,899.73</u>
OtterTail Power Company	Utility - Electric	10/24/25	<u>34,142.26</u>
Paustis Wine Company	Inventory - Wine	10/14/25	<u>442.00</u>
Performance Food Group	Inventory - Food	10/17/25	4,894.32
Performance Food Group	CM: Inventory - Food	10/17/25	-209.88
Performance Food Group	Inventory - Food	10/22/25	3,569.07
Performance Food Group	Inventory - Food	10/22/25	1,903.97
Performance Food Group	Inventory - Food	10/24/25	1,121.46
Performance Food Group	Inventory - Food	10/27/25	<u>2,369.29</u>
Performance Food Group	Performance Food Group		<u>13,648.23</u>
Piano Del Fuego Inc	MCR: Deposit for Rock and Roll Christmas Concert	10/20/25	7,000.00
Robert Anderson	Reimbursement: Storm - Suite TVs, Office Supplies, Operating Supplies, Show Hospitality Reimbursable, Promotional, Show Advertising Reimbursable, and Square, Howard Company, Adobe, & X Subscriptions	10/28/25	<u>4,367.27</u>
Rodney Anderson	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	<u>60.00</u>
Sandstrom's Inc	Inventory - Food, Beverage, & Paper	10/24/25	<u>2,489.39</u>
Saundra McLean	Reimbursement: Travel for Employee Training	10/28/25	501.17
Saundra McLean	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	<u>60.00</u>
Saundra McLean	Saundra McLean		<u>561.17</u>
Schindler Elevator Corporation	Elevator Maintenance	10/6/25	<u>2,151.69</u>
Sean Crampton	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	<u>60.00</u>
Shelana Ysen	Reimbursement: Show Car Rental Reimbursable	10/18/25	695.08
Shelana Ysen	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	<u>60.00</u>
Shelana Ysen	Shelana Ysen		<u>755.08</u>
Sysco Western Minnesota, Inc	Inventory - Food	10/17/25	505.70
Sysco Western Minnesota, Inc	CM: Inventory - Food	10/18/25	<u>-7.64</u>

**Sanford Center
Cash Requirements
As of Nov 4, 2025**

Filter Criteria includes: 1) Invoices Due (no discount available). Report order is by ID. Report is printed in Detail Format.

Vendor	Description	Date	Amount Due
Sysco Western Minnesota, Inc	Sysco Western Minnesota, Inc		<u>498.06</u>
The Home Depot Pro	Operating Supplies	10/21/25	<u>53.17</u>
Todavich Electric, Inc	General Building Maintenance	10/16/25	<u>2,449.05</u>
Trevor Johnson	Reimbursement: Office Supplies	10/17/25	92.03
Trevor Johnson	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	<u>60.00</u>
Trevor Johnson	Trevor Johnson		<u>152.03</u>
Trisha Vojak	October Cell Phone Reimbursement	10/31/25	<u>60.00</u>
TSBL Distributing	General Building Maintenance	10/14/25	813.75
TSBL Distributing	General Building Maintenance	10/14/25	211.83
TSBL Distributing	General Building Maintenance	10/14/25	<u>813.75</u>
TSBL Distributing	TSBL Distributing		<u>1,839.33</u>
Vestis Group, Inc	Laundry and Linen	10/13/25	275.27
Vestis Group, Inc	Laundry and Linen	10/14/25	60.00
Vestis Group, Inc	Laundry and Linen	10/16/25	122.33
Vestis Group, Inc	Laundry and Linen	10/16/25	284.45
Vestis Group, Inc	Laundry and Linen	10/16/25	147.52
Vestis Group, Inc	Laundry and Linen	10/23/25	<u>147.52</u>
Vestis Group, Inc	Vestis Group, Inc		<u>1,037.09</u>
			<u><u>150,488.66</u></u>

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM



Meeting Date: November 3, 2025
Action Requested: Approve September Financials for the Sanford Center
Prepared By: Trevor Johnson, Director of Finance

Background:

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Recommendation:

Approve September Financials for the Sanford Center



SANFORD CENTER



Sanford Center

FOR THE MONTH ENDING September 30, 2025

DISTRIBUTED October 25, 2025

Prepared by: Trevor Johnson
Director of Finance, The Sanford Center

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ASM GLOBAL ARENA MANAGEMENT - The Sanford Center

The Sanford Center

Sep-25

Financial Statements

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ASM Global Management LLC

The Sanford Center – Bemidji, Minnesota

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	Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Current Month Act vs Budget	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget	Year to Date Act vs Budget	YTD Prior Year
EVENT INCOME							
Direct Event Income							
Rental Income	7,630	46,100	(38,470)	287,475	351,600	(64,125)	330,948
Service Revenue	36,380	92,501	(56,121)	485,367	993,459	(508,092)	641,150
Service Expenses	(21,727)	(118,922)	97,195	(301,209)	(750,847)	449,638	(536,028)
Total Direct Event Income	22,283	19,679	2,604	471,633	594,212	(122,579)	436,070
Ancillary Income							
F & B Concessions	1,678	10,103	(8,425)	109,784	193,306	(83,522)	269,616
F & B Catering	28,921	51,845	(22,924)	274,942	465,232	(190,290)	215,909
Novelty Sales	0	1,000	(1,000)	807	16,550	(15,743)	9,622
Promoter Share	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Booth Cleaning Wages	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Ancillary Sales	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Ancillary Income	30,599	62,948	(32,349)	385,533	675,088	(289,555)	495,147
Other Event Income							
Ot Event Related	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suite Sales	0	0	0	24,356	26,852	(2,496)	23,395
Club Seat Tickets	0	0	0	1,421	2,533	(1,112)	3,797
Ad Income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ticket Rebates	173	150	23	8,358	23,080	(14,722)	64,835
Facility Fees	26	840	(814)	45,948	68,080	(22,132)	58,986
Total Other Event Income	199	990	(791)	80,083	120,545	(40,462)	151,013
Total Event Income	53,081	83,617	(30,536)	937,249	1,389,845	(452,596)	1,082,230
OTHER OPERATING INCOME							
Luxury Suite Premiums	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,571
Suite Service Premium	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,128
Advertising & Sponsorship	23,393	32,006	(8,613)	215,295	288,054	(72,759)	172,201
Sanford Naming Rights	16,667	16,667	0	150,000	150,003	(3)	150,000
Coke Mktg Sponsorship	0	0	0	0	0	0	10,000
Ice Rental Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interest & Other Income	1,240	1	1,239	12,902	5	12,897	10,921
Total Oth. Operating Income	41,300	48,674	(7,374)	378,197	438,062	(59,865)	353,821
Adjusted Gross Income	94,381	132,291	(37,910)	1,315,446	1,827,907	(512,461)	1,436,051
INDIRECT EXPENSES							
Salaries & Wages	113,947	114,096	(149)	918,884	1,026,864	(107,980)	857,167
Payroll Taxes & Benefits	24,529	38,877	(14,348)	241,648	349,893	(108,245)	276,999
Net Salaries and Benefits	138,476	152,973	(14,497)	1,160,532	1,376,757	(216,225)	1,134,166
Contracted Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
General and Administrative	19,426	21,560	(2,134)	142,454	197,590	(55,136)	191,918
Operating	7,004	5,110	1,894	82,966	71,190	11,776	92,657
Repairs & Maintenance	250	1,483	(1,233)	22,008	24,248	(2,240)	38,614
Operational Supplies	3,327	9,208	(5,881)	63,077	90,872	(27,795)	35,960
Insurance	15,818	13,374	2,444	82,814	120,366	(37,552)	48,942
Utilities	46,689	29,700	16,989	299,046	310,800	(11,754)	313,101
ASM Management Fees	10,609	10,609	0	95,481	95,481	0	92,700
Other Mgmt Fees	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	625
Total Indirect Expenses	241,599	244,017	(2,418)	1,948,378	2,287,304	(338,926)	1,948,683
Net Income (Loss)	(\$ 147,218)	(\$ 111,726)	(\$ 35,492)	(\$ 632,932)	(\$ 459,397)	(173,535)	(\$ 512,632)
Non-Operating Income							
City of Bemidji Subsidy	0	0	0	350,000	0	350,000	442,558
Property Insurance	0	0	0	-38566	0	-38566	-67527
Adjusted Net Income (Loss)	(\$ 147,218)	(\$ 111,726)	(\$ 35,492)	(\$ 321,498)	(\$ 459,397)	137,899	(\$ 137,601)

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash	\$	968,699
Accounts Receivable		287,319
Prepaid Assets		212,459
Inventory		<u>74,579</u>

Total Current Assets 1,543,056

Fixed Assets

Building		28,681
Machinery & Equipment		49,088
Acc. Depreciation		<u>(51,856)</u>

Total Fixed Assets 25,913

Other Assets

Other Assets		0
Deposits		<u>0</u>

Total Other Assets 0

Total Assets \$ 1,568,969

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$	273,833
Working Capital Loan		350,000
Accrued Expenses		103,221
Deferred Income		704,729
Advance Ticket Sales/Deposits		286,246
Other Current Liabilities		<u>0</u>

Total Current Liabilities 1,718,029

Equity

Net Funds Received		0
Retained Earnings		172,441
Net Income (Loss)		<u>(321,501)</u>

Total Equity (149,060)

Total Liabilities & Equity \$ 1,568,969

The Sanford Center
2025
Rolling Forecast

Event Income

Direct Event Income

Rental Income	287,475	337,433	624,908	541,183	83,725	15.47%	522,224	102,685	19.66%
Service Income	485,381	231,556	716,937	1,076,938	(360,001)	-33.43%	908,408	(191,475)	-21.08%
Service Expenses	(301,209)	(209,386)	(510,595)	(948,124)	437,529	-46.15%	(806,057)	295,462	-36.66%
Total Direct Event Income	471,647	359,603	831,250	669,997	161,253	24.07%	624,575	206,672	33.09%

Ancillary Income

F & B Concessions	109,783	139,273	249,056	356,336	(107,280)	-30.11%	438,743	(189,687)	-43.23%
F & B Catering	274,952	158,675	433,627	797,794	(364,167)	-45.65%	279,329	154,293	55.24%
Novelty Sales	807	3,500	4,307	16,550	(12,243)	-73.98%	12,157	(7,850)	-64.57%
Total Ancillary Income	385,542	301,448	686,990	1,170,680	(483,690)	-41.32%	730,229	(43,244)	-5.92%

Other Event Income

Luxury Box Ticket Sales	24,356	-	24,356	7,500	16,856	224.75%	68,178	(43,822)	-64.28%
Club Seat Ticket Sales	1,421	-	1,421	-	1,421	0.00%	12,241	(10,820)	-88.39%
Event Advertising Income	-	15,440	15,440	-	15,440	0.00%	-	15,440	0.00%
Ticket Rebates (Per Event)	8,358	-	8,358	23,080	(14,722)	-63.79%	132,580	(124,222)	-93.70%
Facility Fees	45,948	68,315	114,263	101,277	12,986	12.82%	192,833	(78,569)	-40.74%
Total Other Event Income	80,083	83,755	163,838	131,857	31,981	24.25%	405,832	(241,993)	-59.63%

Total Event Income

937,272	744,806	1,682,078	1,972,534	(290,456)	-14.73%	1,760,636	(78,565)	-4.46%
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Other Operating Income

378,176	159,461	537,637	637,403	(99,766)	-15.65%	490,830	46,841	9.54%
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Adjusted Gross Income

1,315,448	904,267	2,219,715	2,609,937	(390,222)	-14.95%	2,251,466	(31,724)	-1.41%
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Operating Expenses

Employee Salaries and Wages	918,883	317,534	1,236,417	1,369,148	132,731	9.69%	1,144,135	(92,282)	-8.07%
Benefits	241,651	110,409	352,060	466,519	114,462	24.54%	371,020	18,963	5.11%
Net Employee Wages and Benefits	1,160,534	427,943	1,588,477	1,835,667	247,193	13.47%	1,515,155	(73,320)	-4.84%
General and Administrative	142,462	65,020	207,482	262,610	55,130	20.99%	241,689	34,209	14.15%
Operations	82,971	26,316	109,287	80,100	(29,185)	-36.44%	127,734	18,449	14.44%
Repair & Maintenance	22,009	13,781	35,790	55,434	19,645	35.44%	55,572	19,783	35.60%
Supplies	63,078	27,628	90,706	118,500	27,793	23.45%	49,064	(41,643)	-84.87%
Insurance	82,812	46,125	128,937	160,491	31,554	19.66%	60,996	(67,941)	-111.39%
Utilities	299,045	153,600	452,645	464,400	11,755	2.53%	436,513	(16,132)	-3.70%
SMG Management Fees	95,481	31,827	127,308	127,308	-	0.00%	123,600	(3,708)	-3.00%
Less: Expenses Allocated	-	-	-	-	-		625	625	100.00%
Total Operating Expenses	1,948,392	792,239	2,740,631	3,104,510	(363,879)	11.72%	2,610,948	(129,678)	-4.97%

Net Income (Loss) From Operations

(632,944)	112,028	(520,916)	(494,573)	(26,343)	5.33%	(359,482)	(161,402)	44.90%
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Other Income (Expenses)

311,434	-	311,434	-	(311,434)		-	(311,434)	0.00%
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Net Income After Other Income (Expenses)

(321,510)	112,028	(209,482)	(494,573)	(353,185)	71.41%	(359,482)	(472,836)	131.53%
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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM



Meeting Date: November 3, 2025
Action Requested: 2025 Business License Approvals
Prepared By: Michelle Miller, City Clerk

Background:

The following have submitted application(s) and paid the applicable fee(s):

Plumbers, \$95.00

RED ROCK TRENCHLESS, INC., WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS

Massage Establishment, \$120.00

ASIAN MASSAGE, 2219 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW, STE 9

Recommendation:

Approve 2025 Business License Submissions.

BUSINESS LICENSES APPROVALS - 2026

Type of License	Business Name	Business Location	Fee Paid
Billiards/Pool (per table)			
	CORNER BAR	602 2ND STREET SE 1 table	\$20.00
Cigarette/Tobacco Products			
	CORNER BAR	602 2ND STREET SE	\$85.00
	DOLLAR GENERAL STORE #21383	903 WASHINGTON AVE S	\$85.00
	DOLLAR GENERAL STORE #23743	2021 DIVISION ST WEST	\$85.00
	ORTONS BEMIDJI CENEX	555 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$85.00
	WALGREENS #09633	421 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$85.00
Commercial Solid Waste Collection			
	WASTE MANAGEMENT	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS 2018 Mack MRU 613 FEL	\$350.00
Commercial Solid Waste Collection Add'l Vehicle			
	WASTE MANAGEMENT	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS 2008 Mack MRU 613 FEL	\$25.00
	WASTE MANAGEMENT	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS 2020 Peterbilt 567 Roll Off	\$25.00
	WASTE MANAGEMENT	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS 2016 Peterbilt 320 REL	\$25.00
	WASTE MANAGEMENT	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS 2025 Peterbilt 320 ASL	\$25.00
Dances (other)			
	BEMIDJI CURLING CLUB	1230 23RD STREET NW	\$240.00
Gas Station (per pump)			
	ORTONS BEMIDJI CENEX	555 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW 6 pumps	\$210.00

Type of License	Business Name	Business Location	Fee Paid
Hotel/Motel			
	AMERICINN BY WYNDAM BEMIDJI	1200 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$65.00
	DOUBLETREE BY HILTON HOTEL BEMID	115 LAKE SHORE DRIVE NE	\$65.00
Massage Therapist			
	LING LING DONG	2219 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW STE 9 Asian Massage	\$120.00
	NICHOLE GRUIS	2317 BEMIDJI AVE N Vivaz Medical Spa	\$120.00
	RUI QIN JIN	2219 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW STE 9 Asian Massage	\$120.00
Plumber			
	DAREN'S PLUMBING & HEATING	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS PM062169	\$95.00
	DICK'S PLUMBING & HEATING OF BEMID	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS 058788PM	\$95.00
	JUELSON PLUMBING & HEATING INC.	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS 060693PM	\$95.00
	PETERSON SHEET METAL, INC.	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS PM0448227	\$95.00
	WRIGLEY MECHANICAL, INC.	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS PM038941	\$95.00
Restaurant/Food Service			
	APPLEBEE'S NEIGHBORHOOD GRILL & B	1909 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$35.00
	ARAMARK (Hobson)	BSU-HOBSON STUDENT UNION	\$35.00
	ARAMARK (NW Technical)	NORTHWEST TECHNICAL COLLEG	\$35.00
	ARAMARK (Walnut)	BSU - WALNUT HALL	\$35.00

Type of License	Business Name	Business Location	Fee Paid
	BOARDWALK	610 LAKE SHORE DR NE	\$35.00
	BURGER KING (North)	2575 HANNAH AVE NW	\$35.00
	BURGER KING (South)	1000 PAUL BUNYAN DRIVE S.	\$35.00
	CORNER BAR	602 2ND STREET SE	\$35.00
	DAVE'S PIZZA	422 15TH STREET NW	\$35.00
	DOUBLETREE BY HILTON HOTEL BEMID	115 LAKE SHORE DRIVE NE	\$35.00
	GREEN MILL BEMIDJI	1025 PAUL BUNYAN DR S	\$35.00
	HAPPY BROTHER BUFFET, INC.	2450 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$35.00
	HARDEES	205 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$35.00
	KENTUCKY FRIED CHICKEN	1210 PAUL BUNYAN DR NE	\$35.00
	LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA	1506 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$35.00
	MAC N THE BOX	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS	\$35.00
	McDONALD'S (North)	1245 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$35.00
	McDONALD'S (South)	520 PAUL BUNYAN DR SW	\$35.00
	ORTONS BEMIDJI CENEX	555 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$35.00
	PIZZA RANCH	1635 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$35.00

Type of License	Business Name	Business Location	Fee Paid
	STARBUCKS COFFEE #51756	1811 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$35.00
	STARBUCKS COFFEE #81579	202 SHEVLIN AVE SW	\$35.00
	TAPATIOS	1204 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$35.00
	TARA BEMIDJI	401 BELTRAMI AVE N, SUITE A	\$35.00
	TARGET STORE #0657	2100 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$35.00
Secondhand Goods Dealer	GRANDMA'S ATTIC ANTIQUE MALL	502 3RD STREET NW	\$95.00
Tree Service	GLEN PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS	\$65.00
	LUMBERJACK TREE SERVICE LLC	WITHIN BEMIDJI CITY LIMITS	\$65.00
Used Car Lots	BEMIDJI CHRYSLER CENTER	755 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW	\$65.00

Beer License Renewals - 2026

Second Reading of beer licenses per City Code Sec. 4-44(a).

Business Name	Business Owner	Alcohol	Fee Paid
4TH STREET ARCO	TOOL RENTAL, INC.	Beer - Off Sale	\$95.00
BEMIDJI CURLING CLUB	BEMIDJI CURLING CLUB, INC.	Beer - On Sale	\$295.00
BOARDWALK	STRASSBURG ENTERPRISES LLC	Beer - On Sale	\$295.00
CIRCLE K #2746104	HOLIDAY STATIONSTORES, LLC	Beer - Off Sale	\$95.00
CIRCLE K #2746565	HOLIDAY STATIONSTORES, LLC	Beer - Off Sale	\$95.00
COUNTRY KITCHEN	POXLEITNER HOSPITALITY LLC	Beer - On Sale	\$295.00
DAVE'S PIZZA	DAVE'S PIZZA OF BEMIDJI, INC.	Beer - On Sale	\$295.00
GIOVANNI'S PIZZA	GIOVANNI'S PIZZA	Beer - On Sale	\$295.00
KEITH'S PIZZA - NORTH	KEITH'S PIZZA INC.	Beer - On Sale	\$295.00
KEITH'S PIZZA - SOUTH	KEITH'S PIZZA INC.	Beer - On Sale	\$295.00
LUCKY DOGS, LLC	JULIE M. BRANDT	Beer - On Sale	\$295.00
LUEKEN'S FOOD & FUEL	LUEKEN'S FOOD STORES, INC.	Beer - Off Sale	\$95.00
LUEKEN'S VILLAGE FOODS NORTH	LUEKEN'S FOOD STORES, INC.	Beer - Off Sale	\$95.00
LUEKEN'S VILLAGE FOODS SOUTH	LUEKEN'S FOOD STORES, INC.	Beer - Off Sale	\$95.00
ORTONS BEMIDJI CENEX	ORTON MOTOR, INC.	Beer - Off Sale	\$95.00
SIMONSON MARKET	SIMONSON STATION STORES, INC.	Beer - Off Sale	\$95.00
TARA BEMIDJI	TARA BEMIDJI LLC	Beer - On Sale	\$295.00
WALMART SUPERCENTER #3233	WALMART INC.	Beer - Off Sale	\$95.00

Liquor, Sunday Liquor, Off Sale and Wine Licenses - 2026

BUSINESS NAME	BUSINESS OWNER	MISC	LICENSE	FEE
APPLEBEE'S NEIGHBORHOOD GRILL & BAR	APPLE MINNESOTA LLC		Sunday Liquor	\$200.00
APPLEBEE'S NEIGHBORHOOD GRILL & BAR	APPLE MINNESOTA LLC		Liquor	\$3,780.00
CORNER BAR	STUBTAYA, INC.	& PATIO AREA	Sunday Liquor	\$200.00
CORNER BAR	STUBTAYA, INC.	& PATIO AREA	Liquor	\$4,255.00
DAVE'S PIZZA	DAVE'S PIZZA OF BEMIDJI, INC.		Wine	\$585.00
GREEN MILL BEMIDJI	LAKESIDE MANAGEMENT, INC.	& PATIO AREA	Sunday Liquor	\$200.00
GREEN MILL BEMIDJI	LAKESIDE MANAGEMENT, INC.	& PATIO AREA	Liquor	\$3,780.00
TAPATIOS	TAPATIOS, LLC		Sunday Liquor	\$200.00
TAPATIOS	TAPATIOS, LLC		Liquor	\$3,780.00

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM



Meeting Date: November 3, 2025
Action Requested: Approve Change Order No. 7 - Wastewater Treatment Facility
- Final Clarifier Project - City Project 23-03
Prepared By: Samuel C. Anderson City Engineer/DPW

Background:

Attached is Change Order #07 for the construction of the new final clarifier at the wastewater treatment facility. This change order includes one item that came up as part of on-going construction that will slightly increase our overall contract amount.

The change order includes the following items:

1. <u>Splash Wall Correction</u>	\$4,160.00
Net Change:	\$4,160.00

A small correction to the elevation of a splash wall within the new final clarifier was required. Staff anticipate this to be the last change order for the project.

Finance

The net amount of the attached change order is an increase of \$4,160.00. This change order results in a new contract cost with Rice Lake Construction of \$11,633,748.44. EPA federal earmark grant funds are paying for \$4,400,000 of the project costs and the remainder of the project costs are being funded by sanitary sewer utility funds.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the city council pass a motion approving Change Order #7 for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Final Clarifier Project - City Project 23-03

CHANGE ORDER NO.: 007

Owner:	City of Bemdji	Owner's Project No.:	
Engineer:	SEH Inc	Engineer's Project No.:	BEMID 177064
Contractor:	Rice Lake Construction Group	Contractor's Project No.:	2406
Project:	Secondary Clarifier Expansion Project		
Contract Name:			
Date Issued:	10/15/2025	Effective Date of Change Order:	11/4/2025

The Contract is modified as follows upon execution of this Change Order:

Description:

Addition of approximately 6.18-inches to the height of the clarifier splash wall.

Attachments:

RFP 014 - Splash Wall Correction

COP 026 - Splash Wall Correction

Change in Contract Price	Change in Contract Times
Original Contract Price: \$ 11,374,600.00	Original Contract Times: Substantial Completion: 403 days Ready for final payment: 585 days
Increase from previously approved Change Orders No. 001 to No. 005: \$ 254,988.44	Increase from previously approved Change Orders No. 001 to No. 005: Substantial Completion: 136 Ready for final payment: 15
Contract Price prior to this Change Order: \$ 11,629,588.44	Contract Times prior to this Change Order: Substantial Completion: 539 Ready for final payment: 600
Increase this Change Order: \$ 4,160.00	Increase this Change Order: Substantial Completion: 0 Ready for final payment: 0
Contract Price incorporating this Change Order: \$ 11,633,748.44	Contract Times with all approved Change Orders: Substantial Completion: 539 Ready for final payment: 600

Recommended by Engineer (if required)

Authorized by Owner

By: Jessie Hedin
Print: Jessica Hedin
Title: Project Manager
Date: 10/15/2025

Sam Anderson
Public Works Director/City Engineer

Authorized by Contractor

Approved by Funding Agency (if applicable)

By: B. Peterson
Print: Ben Peterson
Title: Project Manager
Date: 10/15/25

Request for Proposal

RFP-014 Splash Wall Correction

Secondary Clarifier Expansion Project Bemidji, Minnesota SEH No. BEMID 177064

TO: Ben Peterson
Project Manager
Rice Lake Construction Group
22360 County Road 12
Deerwood, MN 56444

Date: March 28, 2024

Please submit an itemized proposal for changes to the Contract Price and/or Time resulting from proposed modifications to the Contract Documents described below. The proposal should be submitted within ten days to the Engineer.

Description of proposed modifications: (Brief description of changes itemized from attached drawings)

The Contractor is requested to provide a detailed change order proposal for costs associated with

- a. Addition of approximately 6.18-inches to the height of the clarifier splash wall. The 6.18-inches constitutes the elevation needed to:
 - a. Raise the clarifier launderer splash wall up from the installed elevation of 1647.69' to the corrected elevation of 1348.20'. The correction allows for installation of the weir plates and anchors as shown in Drawings and reviewed as Shop Drawings.
 - b. Utilize the weir plates already procured at the noted V-notch elevation shown in Drawings 06 P313 and 06 P314.
 - c. Refer to attached field sketch for installation detail:
 - i. Approx 116 10"x10" #4 L bar drilled and epoxy embedded 6-inch deep, 18-inches OC, and ancillary materials.
 - ii. One (1) hoop, approx. 173 lnft, #4 horizontal bar, install with minimum 2-inch clearance.
 - iii. Approx 2.2 CY 4,000 psi water bearing tank mix, and ancillary form work.

The detailed change order proposal associated with the Work as described above shall be submitted via NewForma.

Provide a breakdown of labor and materials which, at a minimum, distinguish the following tasks:

- Drill and epoxy embedment and L-bar
- Formwork and horizontal bar
- Concrete material and placement
- Concrete conveyance

Attachments:

Field Sketch 4/S301 with Splash Wall Correction Detail

This form requests information only. Authorization to execute the proposed modifications will be given subsequently by Work Change Directive or Change Order.

Requested by: Jessica Hedin
Signature

Jessica Hedin
Printed Name

Project Manager
Title

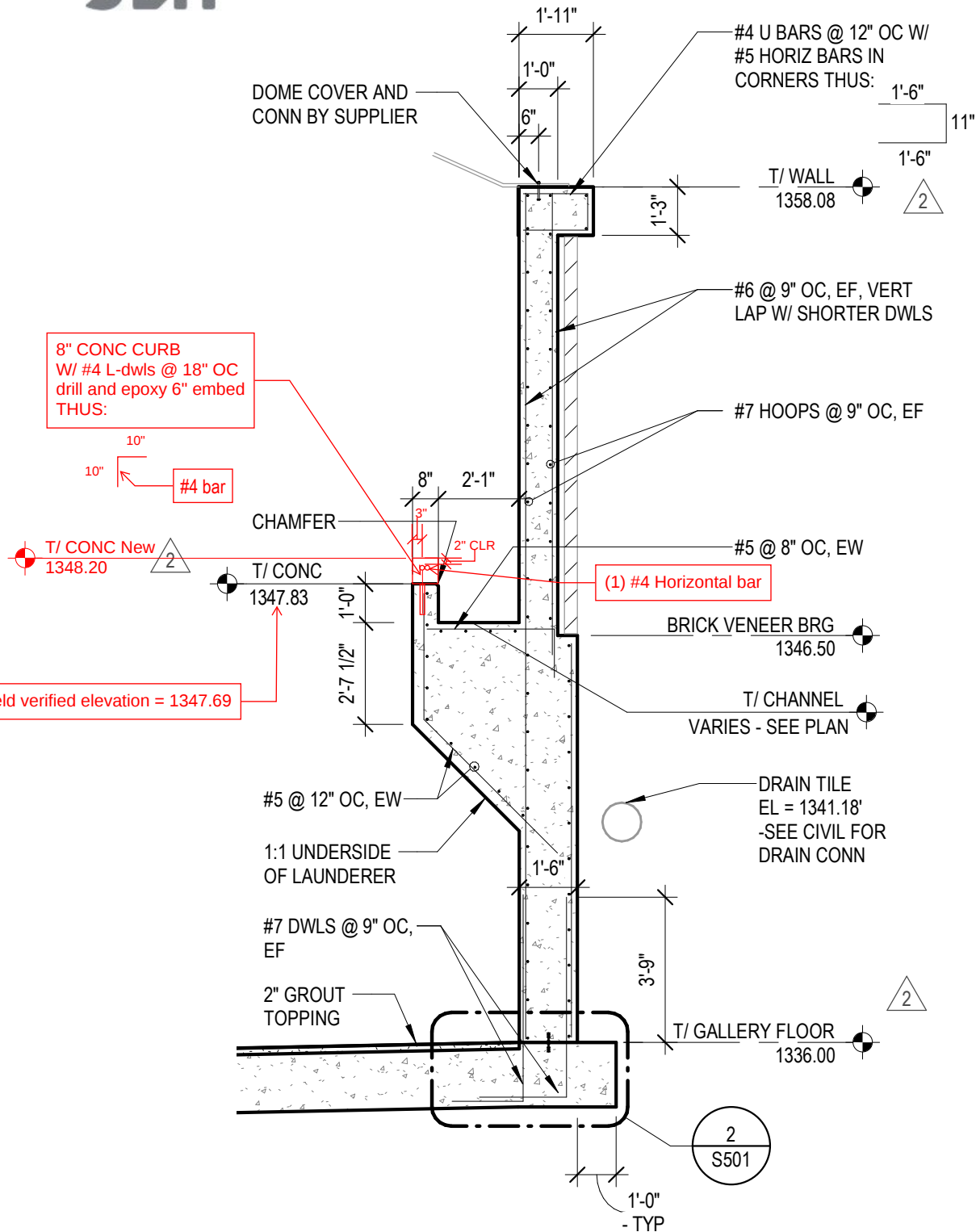
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c: Posted to Newforma
Eric Miller, SEH Inc.
Chelsea Hernandez, SEH Inc.

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RFP 014 - Splash Wall Correction



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S301

WALL SECTION

1/4" = 1'-0"



22360 County Road 12
PO Box 517
Deerwood, MN 56444
218-546-5519
ricelake.org

DEERWOOD | MONTICELLO

Change Order Proposal #: 19

October 1, 2025

Bemidji Wastewater Treatment Facility
400 Midway Dr S
Bemidji, MN 56601

Re: Bemidji Secondary Clarifier Expansion

Dear SEH:

We propose to provide labor, material, and equipment to add to the elevation of the splash wall described in RFP 14 and negotiations with SEH.

All for the sum of: \$4,160.00

Sincerely,
RICE LAKE CONSTRUCTION GROUP

Ben Peterson
Project Manager



22360 County Road 12, PO Box 517
Deerwood, MN 56444

RLCG PROJECT #: 24-06
PROJECT NAME: Bemidji WWTP
DATE: 10/1/2025
COP: 19

CHANGE ORDER PROPOSAL

DESCRIPTION	QTY	UNIT	LABOR			MATERIAL		SUBCONTRACTOR TOTAL	EQUIPMENT TOTAL	LINE TOTAL
			HOURS	\$ RATE	TOTAL	RATE	TOTAL			
Splash Wall per negotiations with SEH	1.00	LS		\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$0.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$4,160.00
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Sales Tax	1.00	ea	8.500%							\$ -
Totals			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,160.00

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM



Meeting Date: November 3, 2025
Action Requested: Approve Guaranteed Defined Benefit Level for Paid On Call Firefighters and Approve Bylaw Amendments for Bemidji Pioneer Volunteer Firefighter Relief Association
Prepared By: Michelle Miller, City Clerk

Background:

On October 15, 2025, the Public Affairs Committee met to discuss the Volunteer Firefighters Relief Association 2025 benefit level and bylaw amendments. Relief Association Trustees present at the meetings fielded questions from committee members.

The Relief Association asked the Public Affairs Committee to consider an increase of the municipal guaranteed benefit level to \$11,025 per year of service at 15 years of vesting, effective 1/1/2026 (90% of expected actual 2025 benefit level). Last year, the Relief Association proposed an understanding to set the municipally guaranteed benefit level at 90% of the non-guaranteed benefit level starting in 2025 and beyond. Members felt this would reduce stress and add some predictability for POC firefighters and City Council as well as provide reasonable protection to the municipality. Currently, state law prescribes that the Council and Relief Association would still need to act on this item each year, making it non-binding from year to year.

The Relief Association also presented proposed Bylaw Amendments. The first being a change to the vesting schedule for active members. Currently, it starts at 48% at 7 years and adds 4% per year until a member reaches 20 years. They proposed a change starting at 40% at 5 years and adding 6% per year until a member reaches 15 years. The second change was to allow newly deferred members to earn interest if they have 10 years of active service instead of 12 years (this would not be retro to already deferred members).

Members of the Public Affairs Committee unanimously recommended approval of the guaranteed defined benefit level to \$11,025 per year of service at 15 years of vesting, effective 1/1/2026 and approved the bylaw amendments as presented.

Recommendation:

Approved guaranteed benefit level to \$11,025 per year of service at 15 years of vesting, effective 1/1/2026 and approve Bylaw Amendments presented above for Bemidji Pioneer Firefighter Relief Association.

Bemidji Pioneer Firefighter Relief Association
Meeting request with City of Bemidji Public Affairs Committee
Prepared - 10/15/2025

Meeting Date: 10/20/2025
____p.m. @ City Hall.

Meeting Agenda item

Request for the City Council to consider increasing the guaranteed defined benefit level of City of Bemidji paid-on-call firefighters from \$9,900 to \$11,025 per year of service at 15 years of vesting effective 1/1/2026.

Proposed Bylaw amendments listed below also need municipal approval:

1. Changing the vesting schedule for active members
 1. Currently starts at 48% at 7 years and adds 4% per year until you reach 20 years.
 2. Proposed starting at 40% at 5 years and adding 6% per year until you reach 15 years.
2. Changing so newly deferred members earn interest if they have 10 years of active service instead of 12 years (not retro to already deferred members).

Additional Background

The Relief Association manages the pension benefit for POC firefighters but needs municipal approval to increase the guaranteed defined benefit level. Based on our December 31, 2024 opinion from Miller McDonald, the fund is estimated to be 137% overfunded vs liabilities on the current non-guaranteed \$11,000 benefit level and 148% overfunded at the current municipally guaranteed benefit level of \$9,900.

Local Bemidji POC firefighters are offered a non-guaranteed benefit level of \$11,000. The membership of the Relief Association will be meeting on November 11, 2025 to potentially ratify several motions that have so far been approved by the trustees of the Association:

1. An increase of the non-guaranteed benefit level from \$11,000 to \$12,250 per year of service, effective 12/31/25
2. An increase of the municipally guaranteed benefit level from \$9,900 to \$11,025 per year of service, effective 1/1/2026; this is 90% of the non-guaranteed rate. (Requires municipal approval)
3. Changing the vesting schedule from starting at 48% at 7 years to 40% at 5 years and then increasing at 6% per year until a firefighter reaches 15 years of active service, effective 1/1/2026. (requires municipal approval)
4. Changing so that newly deferred members will receive interest on their funds if they have 10 years of service instead of 12 years of service, effective 1/1/2026. (requires municipal approval)
5. Changing the start time of our trustee meetings as defined in our bylaws.

The Association does not need municipal approval to increase this non-guaranteed level as long as we follow certain statutory standards, auditory standards and the MN Office of State Auditor standards, which we have done since 2017. MN OSA monitors this compliance annually. Prior to 2017 there was only the guaranteed benefit level.

Over the last 6 years the municipality has increased our guaranteed benefit level by 7,7,3,3,3 and 15% percentage points. State law does describe that in most situations any increase approved by the Council is permanent if also ratified by the Relief Association. Last year, the Relief Association proposed an understanding to set the municipally guaranteed benefit level at 90% of the non-guaranteed benefit level starting in 2025 and beyond. We feel this will reduce stress and add some predictability for POC firefighters and City Council as well as provide reasonable protection to the municipality. Currently state law prescribes that the Council and Relief Association would still need to act on this item each year, making it non-binding from year to year.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Trustees of the Relief Association,

Bemidji Pioneer Firefighter Relief Association
Board of Trustee's

To: City of Bemidji City Council

From: Chad H. Arnesen, Senior Attorney
Brandon M. Fitzsimmons, Shareholder Attorney

Date: October 30, 2025

Re: City Manager Employment Agreement and Process for Annual Performance Evaluation

The City of Bemidji City Council approved a motion at its May 19, 2025 regular council meeting, that Mayor Jorge Prince and Council Members Emelie Rivera and Lynn Eaton are designated to work with Flaherty & Hood, P.A. to: (1) make certain amendments to City Manger Richard Spiczka’s Employment Agreement increasing the Termination Benefits under the agreement from four to six months, and (2) consider making certain amendments to the City’s “Process for City of Bemidji City Manager Performance Evaluation” approved December 18, 2023. At that same meeting, the Mayor read the summary of conclusions of City Manager Spiczka’s performance evaluation of May 12, 2025, and approved an increase to City Manager Spiczka’s salary. Council Member Rivera was inadvertently not provided initial draft copies of the proposed amendments until August 8, 2025, requiring additional time to allow Council Member Rivera to review the proposed amendments prior to presenting to Council.

At its November 3, 2025 regular council meeting, the following will be agenda items consistent with the above-motions:

1. Memorandum of Agreement regarding City Manager Termination Benefits Amendment
2. Amended City of Bemidji City Manager Annual Performance Evaluation Process

The above-documents are attached to this memorandum.

If the City Council desires to approve both of these documents, it can simply duly approve a motion approving these documents for the respective agenda item.

Attchmts.

City of Bemidji Memorandum of Agreement re: Termination Benefits Amendment
Process for City of Bemidji City Manager Annual Performance Evaluation - Revisions
Process for City of Bemidji City Manager Annual Performance Evaluation - Clean

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”) is made by and between City of Bemidji, Minnesota (“Employer”) and Richard Spiczka (“Employee”).

WHEREAS, the Employee is employed by Employer as City Manager;

WHEREAS, Employer and Employee are parties to an employment agreement as of December 5, 2023 (hereinafter “Employment Agreement”);

WHEREAS, the parties desire to amend the termination benefits lump sum payment in paragraph 18 in the Employment Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Employer and Employee desire to memorialize their agreement related to this item.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

Article 1. Amendment to Employment Agreement

18. Termination Benefits of the Employment Agreement is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

TERMINATION BENEFITS. If Employee is terminated by Employer during a time when Employee is willing and able to perform the duties of City Manager, then Employer agrees to pay Employee, at the time of receipt of his or her last pay check, a lump sum cash payment equal to six (6) months’ salary and to continue to provide and pay for six (6) months for health benefits following termination (collectively, “termination benefits”). Payment of accrued paid PTO leave at the time of separation will be paid to employee as provided to and under the same conditions as all other non-union employees.

Employer will not pay the termination benefits if Employee is terminated because of (1) his or her malfeasance in office, (2) gross misconduct, (3) conviction of a crime resulting from his or her employment with Employer, (4) conviction for an illegal act involving personal gain to Employee, (5) Employee’s breach of any material obligations under this Agreement or any other agreement with Employer, (6) Employee’s willful and/or repeated failure or refusal to perform or observe Employee’s duties, responsibilities and obligations to Employer, (7) Employee’s use of alcohol or other drugs in a manner which affects the performance of Employee’s duties, responsibilities and obligations to Employer, (8) conviction of Employee, or plea of *nolo contendere*, for a felony or of any crime involving theft, mismanagement, fraud or moral turpitude, or (9) commission by Employee of any other willful or intentional act which could reasonably be expected to injure the reputation of Employer and/or Employee.

If Employer, at any time during the employment term, reduces the salary or other financial benefits of Employee by a greater percentage than an across-the-board

reduction for all non-union employees; refuses, following written notice, to comply with any other provisions of this Agreement benefiting Employee that Employer has not complied with; or formally suggests as authorized by the City Council that Employee resign and Employee does resign, then Employee may, at his or her option as specified in writing to Employer, be deemed to be "terminated" on the effective date of Employee's resignation and the Employee will be entitled to receive termination benefits and payment of PTO as provided to and under the same conditions as all other non-union employees.

If Employee is unable to perform his or her duties and responsibilities for an extended period of not less than 3 months due to illness, injury, or other cause beyond the ability of Employee to correct, the Employer may, but is not required to, pay termination benefits.

If Employee voluntarily resigns his or her position with Employer, unless otherwise expressly provided herein, then Employer will not pay termination benefits to Employee, except for payment of paid PTO as provided to and under the same conditions as all other non-union employees.

Article 2. Entire Agreement

This MOA constitutes the entire agreement among the parties hereto. No representations, warranties, covenants, or inducements have been made to any party concerning this MOA, other than the representations, covenants, or inducements contained and memorialized in this MOA. This MOA supersedes all prior negotiations, oral and written agreements, policies and practices with respect thereto addressing the specific subject matter addressed in this MOA.

Article 3. Limitations

This MOA is intended for the sole and limited purpose specified herein. This MOA cannot be construed to be nor does it constitute or establish any admission of the Employer, precedent, or past practice. The Employer expressly reserves the right to exercise all of its management rights without limitation.

Article 4. Amendment, Modification, or Termination

This MOA or any of its terms may only be amended, modified, or terminated by a written instrument that: (1) expressly states it is amending, modifying, or terminating the MOA; and (2) is signed by or on behalf of all of the parties hereto or their successors in interest.

Article 5. Voluntary Agreement of the Parties

The parties hereto acknowledge and agree that this Agreement is voluntarily entered into by all parties hereto as the result of arm's-length negotiations during which all such parties were represented.

Article 6. Effective Date

This MOA is effective the latest date affixed to the signatures hereto.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this MOA on the latest date affixed to the signatures below.

CITY OF BEMIDJI

RICHARD SPICZKA

By _____
Mayor

By _____
City Clerk

Date: _____

Date: _____



Amended Process for City of Bemidji City Manager Annual Performance Evaluation

Summary of evaluation process for City Manager for City of Bemidji (City):

1. Annually, at a January Regular City Council Meeting, Mayor appoints, subject to City Council approval, the City Manager Annual Performance Evaluation designees.
2. From 14 to 28 days before the annual performance evaluation process will begin, City Manager Performance Evaluation designees, legal counsel, and City Manager will consult about the process, as laid out below herein, which will be communicated to the City Council.
- 4.3. Flaherty & Hood, P.A., another third-party, or an in-house designee submits to: (a) City Council members; (b) City Manager; and (c) City Department Heads and three randomly selected City employees,¹ three separate Performance Evaluation Review forms through Google Forms.
 - a. One form for City Council members for completion.
 - b. One form for City Manager for completion.²
 - c. One form for City Department Heads and three randomly selected City employees (i.e., 360-Review Form).³
- 2.4. City Council members, City Manager, City Department Heads, and the three randomly selected City employees individually complete the Performance Evaluation Review form no later than a week prior to the next City Council meeting.
 - a. City Council members to consider the City Manager's job description in evaluating the performance of the City Manager.
 - b. The identity of the individual completing the form will be anonymous.

¹ Flaherty & Hood, P.A., another third-party, or an in-house designee can develop a system to randomly select the three City employees.

² The questions on the City Manager review form are the same questions from the City Council review form. A copy of the questions and the rating rubric can be found on page 4 and 5 of this document.

³ The questions on the 360-Review form contain some questions from the City Council review form and some additional questions. A copy of the questions and the rating rubric can be found on page 6 and 7 of this document.

- c. The completed forms are private personnel data on City Manager under Minn. Stat. sec. 13.43, subd. 4, which means they are not accessible to the public but are accessible to the City Manager if they make a valid data request.

3.5. Flaherty & Hood, P.A., another third-party, or an in-house designee drafts aggregate evaluation responses received from all individual responses and submits such to City Council, City Manager, and appropriate administrative staff at least three days prior to the next City Council meeting.

- a. This data is also private personnel data on City Manager under Minn. Stat. sec. 13.43, subd. 4, which means they are not accessible to the public but are accessible to the City Manager and the City Council members.

4.6. On the date of the City Council meeting, the City Council will discuss with City Manager the aggregate review responses, their responses, their individual responses if they wish, City Manager's comments, and/or any other comments City Council members have.

- a. The meeting will be closed and electronically recorded, unless the City Manager requests that it be open under Minn. Stat. sec. 13d.05, subd. 3(a).

- b. The meeting can proceed as follows:

- i. City Council discuss evaluation process without City Manager in attendance, or at minimum, not participating
- ii. With City Manager in attendance, City Council chairperson simply reference or summarize the aggregate review responses and then allow each City Council member to state anything they wish about their evaluation of City Manager.
- iii. City Manager comment as they wish on statements on the review responses and statements from City Council Members.
- iv. City Council chairperson ask City Manager to state goals for upcoming year and then allow City Council members to respond on goals and reach concurrence on such goals.
- v. Without City Manager in attendance, City Council chairperson solicit feedback on the summary of conclusions and then City Council chairperson ask each member to state their concurrence or not with such conclusions.

- c. Flaherty & Hood, P.A., another third-party, or in-house designee draft summary of conclusions to City Manager in writing during or shortly after meeting.

- d. Evaluation of the City Manager generally includes the intertwined issue of ratings and comments on specific area of the City Manager's job, goals, application of the employment agreement, and salary change.
- i. Though the City Council can reference and discuss a potential salary change or adjustment as part of the performance evaluation (e.g., City Council is discussing the adequacy of performance in order to receive a salary increase), it should not negotiate such a change or otherwise make any decision on such a change outside an open meeting based on Minnesota Department of Administration, Data Practices Office ([DPO](#)), Advisory Opinion 15-002 stating:

The Open Meeting Law does not contain a provision allowing public bodies to close meetings for general personnel reasons; meetings can only be closed in the specific circumstances described in section 13D.05 or by other statutes. As discussed in Issue 1, a performance evaluation may naturally include references to "compensation and prospective extension of [an] employment agreement." However, once a public body has determined that the employee will remain employed with a possible change in pay based on his performance, and the discussion logically turns to the specifics about the employment agreement, the City Council is no longer evaluating the performance of an individual per section 13D.05, subdivision 3(a). In these circumstances, contract negotiations must be done in an open meeting.

[5.7.](#) At the next open meeting following the closed session, the City Council:

- a. Summarizes its conclusions regarding the evaluation under Minn. Stat. sec. 13D.05, subd. 3(a) and take action on any salary change.
- i. The City Council chairperson typically reads a statement summarizing the conclusions from the meeting.
- ii. ~~The Minnesota Department of Administration Data Practices Office~~[DPO](#) opined in Advisory Opinion 02-021 as follows related to the summary:

Clearly, the language of the Open Meeting Law indicates that the City Council ought to summarize each salient point of the evaluation so that the public is given the opportunity to get the best possible sense of the performance - good, bad, or indifferent - of the public employee.

- b. Take a motion and vote for any salary increase.



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Amended Process for City of Bemidji City Manager Annual Performance Evaluation

Summary of evaluation process for City Manager for City of Bemidji (City):

1. Annually, at a January Regular City Council Meeting, Mayor appoints, subject to City Council approval, the City Manager Annual Performance Evaluation designees.
2. From 14 to 28 days before the annual performance evaluation process will begin, City Manager Performance Evaluation designees, legal counsel, and City Manager will consult about the process, as laid out below herein, which will be communicated to the City Council.
3. Flaherty & Hood, P.A., another third-party, or an in-house designee submits to: (a) City Council members; (b) City Manager; and (c) City Department Heads and three randomly selected City employees,¹ three separate Performance Evaluation Review forms through Google Forms.
 - a. One form for City Council members for completion.
 - b. One form for City Manager for completion.²
 - c. One form for City Department Heads and three randomly selected City employees (i.e., 360-Review Form).³
4. City Council members, City Manager, City Department Heads, and the three randomly selected City employees individually complete the Performance Evaluation Review form no later than a week prior to the next City Council meeting.
 - a. City Council members to consider the City Manager's job description in evaluating the performance of the City Manager.
 - b. The identity of the individual completing the form will be anonymous.

¹ Flaherty & Hood, P.A., another third-party, or an in-house designee can develop a system to randomly select the three City employees.

² The questions on the City Manager review form are the same questions from the City Council review form. A copy of the questions and the rating rubric can be found on page 4 and 5 of this document.

³ The questions on the 360-Review form contain some questions from the City Council review form and some additional questions. A copy of the questions and the rating rubric can be found on page 6 and 7 of this document.

- c. The completed forms are private personnel data on City Manager under Minn. Stat. sec. 13.43, subd. 4, which means they are not accessible to the public but are accessible to the City Manager if they make a valid data request.
5. Flaherty & Hood, P.A., another third-party, or an in-house designee drafts aggregate evaluation responses received from all individual responses and submits such to City Council, City Manager, and appropriate administrative staff at least three days prior to the next City Council meeting.
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6. On the date of the City Council meeting, the City Council will discuss with City Manager the aggregate review responses, their responses, their individual responses if they wish, City Manager's comments, and/or any other comments City Council members have.
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The Open Meeting Law does not contain a provision allowing public bodies to close meetings for general personnel reasons; meetings can only be closed in the specific circumstances described in section 13D.05 or by other statutes. As discussed in Issue 1, a performance evaluation may naturally include references to "compensation and prospective extension of [an] employment agreement." However, once a public body has determined that the employee will remain employed with a possible change in pay based on his performance, and the discussion logically turns to the specifics about the employment agreement, the City Council is no longer evaluating the performance of an individual per section 13D.05, subdivision 3(a). In these circumstances, contract negotiations must be done in an open meeting.

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RESOLUTION NO. __

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BEMIDJI CITY COUNCIL AMENDING AND DIRECTING
LEGAL COUNSEL TO CORRECT LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS ATTACHED TO CITY
OF BEMIDJI RESOLUTION 6621**

- WHEREAS,** The City of Bemidji (hereinafter the “Bemidji” or the “City”), Beltrami County, Minnesota, on May 19, 2025, adopted Resolution 6621, Petitioning the agency then known as Minnesota Office of Administrative Hearings (now known as the Court of Administrative hearings) for annexation of certain property located in Northern Township (the “Subject Area”) pursuant to Minn. Stat. 414.031; and
- WHEREAS,** the legal description attached to City Resolution 6621 as Exhibit A contains inadvertent errors describing the Subject Area proposed for annexation, while the original legal description does encompass the entire lakeshore around Lake Bemidji, it failed to include the property comprising Lake Bemidji itself; and
- WHEREAS,** Northern Township has further petitioned the Court of Administrative Hearings (“CAH”) seeking to incorporate as a City, and has included the property comprising Lake Bemidji, in addition to the adjacent shoreland, into its proposed area for incorporation; and
- WHEREAS,** the City and Northern Township have recently completed two weeks of evidentiary testimony with the Court of Administrative hearings in a consolidated municipal boundary adjustment case identified by CAH docket numbers: 71-0330-40896 and 71-0330-40846, and the purpose of this Resolution is to amend the legal description of the Subject Property proposed to be annexed by the City before post-hearing briefs are submitted and an final order is issued; and
- WHEREAS,** the City is amending the legal description of the Subject Property proposed to be annexed by the City in order to avoid an absurd result where both the City and Northern Township’s petitions are approved and ordered by the Court of Administrative Hearings, which could result in the lake shore properties being annexed into the City, but the property comprising Lake Bemidji being incorporated into a new City of Northern.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL THAT:

1. The legal description for the Subject Area proposed for annexation in City Resolution 6621 as contained in Exhibits A and B thereto is hereby amended as follows: Exhibits A and B in Resolution 6621 are hereby deleted in their entirety, and replaced with Exhibits A-1 and B-1, as attached to this Resolution and incorporated herein by reference.

2. City staff and legal counsel are hereby authorized and directed to replace the previous Exhibits A and B to Resolution 6621 with the updated exhibits referenced above, and file them with the Court of Administrative Hearings, Municipal Boundary Adjustment Unit.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Councilmember _____, and upon 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

EXHIBIT A-1

Legal Description of Subject Area

All that part of Government Lot 2, Section 21, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County, Minnesota, lying easterly of the North-South Quarter line of said Section 21;

AND,

All that part of Government Lot 1, Section 21, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County, Minnesota, lying southeasterly of the centerline of Bemidji Rd NE (former U. S. Highway No. 71), as laid out and established according to Final Certificate recorded In Misc. Record 20 of Deeds on page 261;

AND,

All those parts of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter and Government Lot 1, all in Section 16, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County, Minnesota, lying southeasterly of the centerline of Bemidji Rd NE (former U. S. Highway No. 71), as laid out and established according to Final Certificate recorded In Misc. Record 20 of Deeds on page 261;

AND,

Government Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, all in Section 15, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County, Minnesota;

AND,

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AND,

The Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Government Lot 1, and the West 20 rods of the Southeast Quarter, all in Section 14, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County, Minnesota;

AND,

Government Lots 1, 2, and 3, and the North Half of the Northeast Quarter, all in Section 23, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County, Minnesota;

AND,

The Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and Government Lots 5 and 6, all in Section 24, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County, Minnesota;

AND,

Government Lot 1, Section 25, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County, Minnesota;

AND,

All those parts of Government Lots 2, 3, and 4, and the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, all in Section 25, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County, Minnesota, lying northwesterly of the easterly line of the former Burlington Northern Railroad Company's right of way, as described by Quitclaim Deed conveyance to the State of Minnesota recorded in the Office of the Beltrami County Recorder by Document No. 333403;

AND,

Government Lot 1, Section 26, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County, Minnesota;

AND,
Government Lot 1, Section 35, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County,
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AND,
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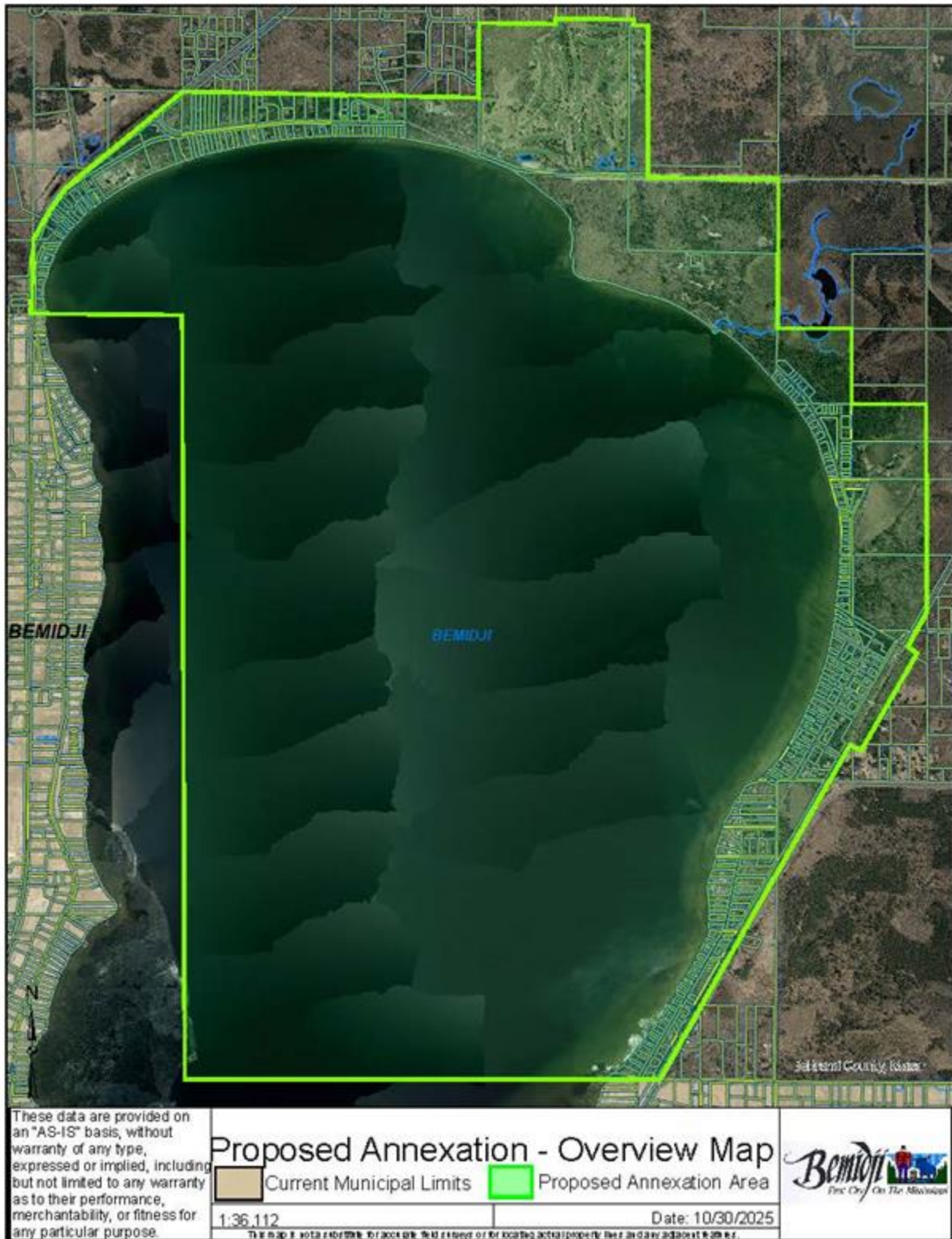
AND,
All of Sections 22, 27, and 34, Township 147 North, Range 33 West, Beltrami County,
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AND,
All those parts of Sections 16, 15, 14, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 35, Township 147 North, Range 33
West, Beltrami County, Minnesota, lying lakeward of the shoreline of Lake Bemidji;

AND,
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EXHIBIT B-1

Depiction of Subject Area



RESOLUTION NO.

APPROVING MINNESOTA GAMBLING PREMISES PERMIT FOR LAWFUL GAMBLING TO BEMIDJI YOUTH HOCKEY LOCATED AT BUFFALO WILD WINGS

WHEREAS, Bemidji Youth Hockey, has submitted an application to the City of Bemidji requesting approval of a Minnesota Gambling Premises Permit application located at Buffalo Wild Wings, 225 Paul Bunyan Dr NW, Bemidji; and

WHEREAS, it has been demonstrated that the organization is collecting gambling monies for lawful purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has expressed no opposition which would prohibit such activity at the premises noted above.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Bemidji approves the Gambling Premises Permit application for Bemidji Youth Hocke, located at Buffalo Wild Wings, 225 Paul Bunyan Dr NW. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to sign and attach a copy of this resolution to the application to be submitted to the Gambling Control Board.

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

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Accounts Payable

Blanket Voucher Approval Document

User: denisea
Printed: 10/29/2025 - 7:49AM
Warrant Request Date: 11/4/2025
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COUNCIL BILL LIST

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CITY OF BEMIDJI SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

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Minnesota GreenStep Cities



Step 1



Feb. 6, 2012

Step 2



June 2013

Step 3



June 2015

Step 4



Utilize Tracking

Step 5



GOALS & BEST PRACTICES

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Updated Tree Inventory
Parks Dept. & BSU Ongoing

City Code Amendment - Lawn Height
2025 Comp Plan Ongoing

Ordinance Amendment - Native Landscaping & Rain Gardens
2025 Comp Plan Ongoing

County - Organics Diversion
Curbside Collection
Ongoing

City - Curbside Recycling
Feasibility Study
Deferred to 2026



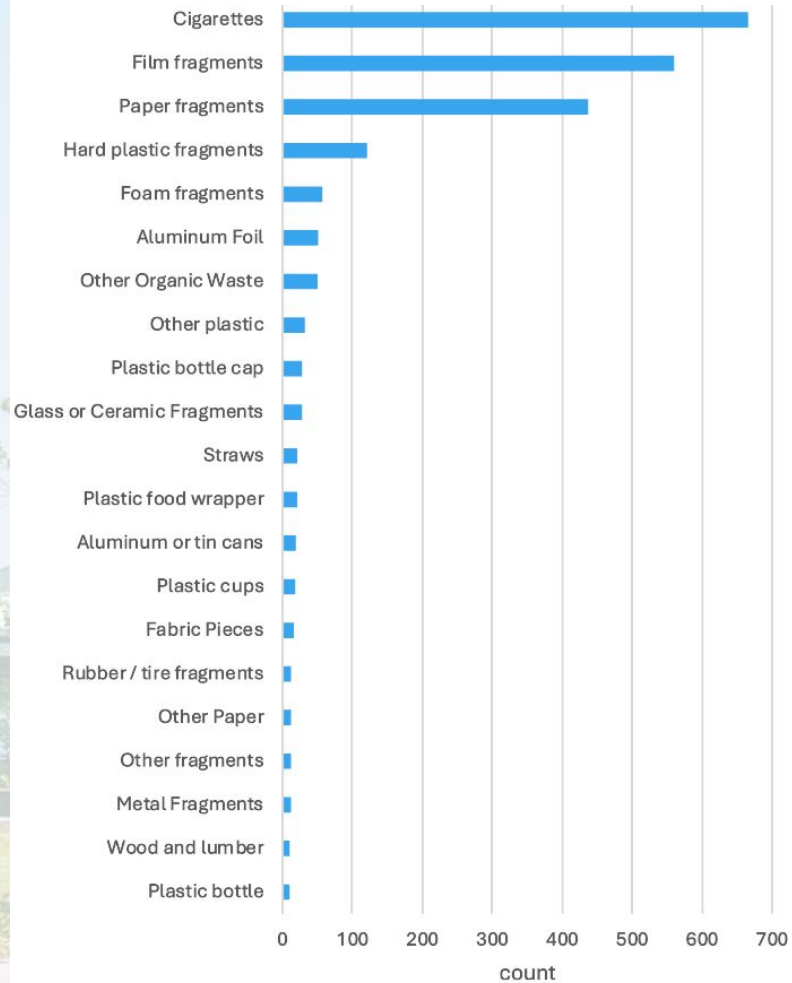
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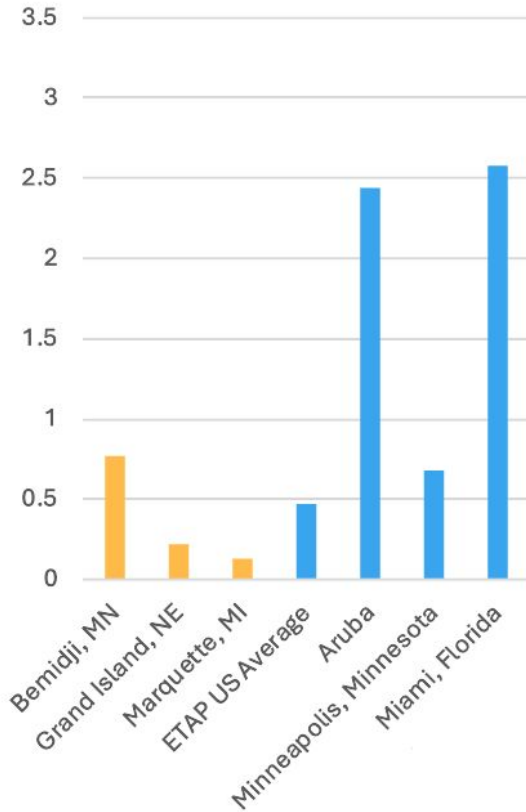
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SpheriCity Grant
Data Collection
Near Completion

Litter Count by Type



Average Litter Density



Community Outreach
**Tabling Events Promoting
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Ongoing*

Policy Development
2025 Comp Plan/City Code
Ongoing

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Achieve Your GreenStep Goals

What's Next for Bemidji?

Efficient Existing Public Buildings

Best Practice Action 1.1 – Benchmark energy and water use in B3 Benchmarking

(CORE - Buildings & Lighting)

Waste Reduction

BP 22.2 – Address concerns over consumer products and packaging

(Optional - Solid Waste)

Climate Adaptation & Resilience Planning

BP 29.1 – Prepare to maintain public health and safety during extreme weather events

(CORE - Stormwater; Optional - Add'l Metrics)

Urban Tree Canopy

BP 16 – Inventory and expand tree and plant cover

(CORE - Open

Efficient City Fleet

BP 13.3 Phase-in EV's and no-idling practices for city transit fleets

BP 23.5 Install and promote publicly avail. EV charging infrastructure

(CORE - Gov't Fleets; Optional - Car, Trans



Bemidji 2024 Utilities Budget: \$839,000



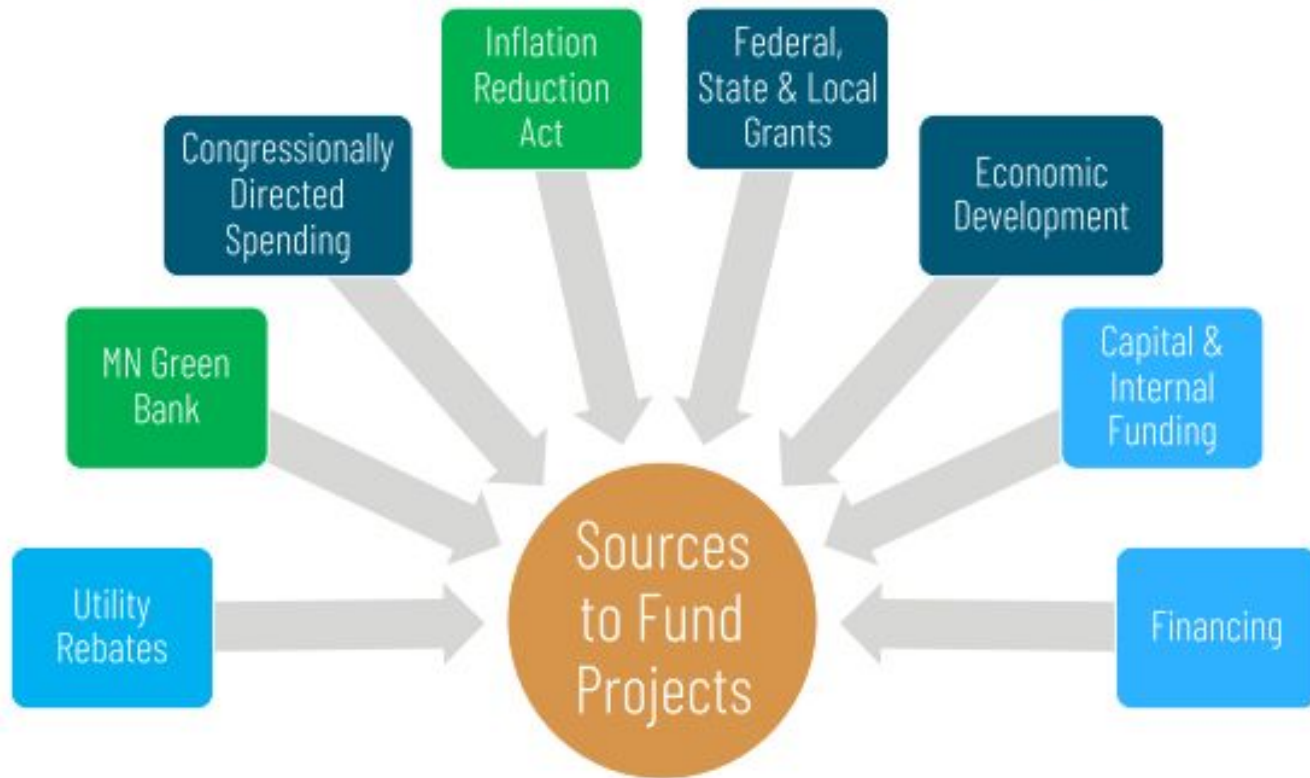
Major Savings Opportunity

**\$84,000 -
\$210,000**
Potential
savings
PER YEAR

Conservative 10-25% Experienced Savings



Guaranteed Savings Project Financing



Cashflow positive Projects - not to exceed 20 years



Conduct a Preliminary Assessment = \$0

McKinstry will Provide:

*Goal: Identify an **economically viable energy/sustainability leadership** project and work jointly towards development and implementation of an award-winning project!*

Preliminary Energy Evaluation for Funding Opportunities

- Executive summary (5-10 pages) of the selected project sites. We will look for:
 - City-wide Energy Efficiency opportunities (lighting, HVAC, geothermal, etc.)
 - Solar feasibility and sketches
 - EV charging
 - Near Net Zero Energy Performance Opportunities
- Cost estimates (\$'s) per preliminary study
- Green House Gas (GHG) Reduction Potential – for the Total Project (CO2 reduction / tons per year)
- Job creation impact (MBE/WBE) based on Federal “jobs per project \$’s” format
- Additional federal/state funding opportunities
- Business case for potential energy project

25-26 Timing for State, Federal, & Utility Incentives

Questions?

Comments?

Suggestions?

COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM



Meeting Date: November 3rd, 2025

Action Requested: Approve Resolution Adopting Final Assessment Roll - 2025 Street Renewal Project - City Project 25-01

Prepared By: Samuel C. Anderson, P.E. DPW/City Engineer

Background:

At the October 20th council meeting, staff provided the final assessment roll for our 2025 Street Renewal project and a public hearing was held and closed. There was a request for some additional options to either reduce the overall payment or extend the time frame to pay off the special assessment amount on the resident's taxes.

The 2025 project consisted of the reconstruction and paving of the following street segments:

Hannah Avenue NW	30 th Street NW – 600' north of 34 th Street NW
Norton Avenue NW	12 th Street NW – 15 th Street NW
14 th Street NW	Norton Avenue NW – Delton Avenue NW
Taft Avenue NE	Mill Street NE – End of Taft
Mill Street NE	Taft Avenue NE – Lake Avenue NE

Exhibit A is attached map showing those segments.

One of the options mentioned was to reduce the linear foot rate from \$45/linear ft to a value of \$38/linear foot from a few years ago. This would reduce the overall project total assessment amount by \$36,774.50. With the average individual property special assessment amount being about \$4,250, this would reduce their special assessment amount by roughly \$650. That reduction in special assessment amount would need to be covered by most likely be additional tax levy funds or construction reserves added to the project. This proposal doesn't include any changes to the \$1,595 per unit amount proposed for Taft Avenue & Mill Street.

Another option would be to extend the loan payoff timeframe. This could be extended from the current 15 years up to a maximum of 30 years. Below is the current term rate of 15 years compared to the 30 years using the average assessment amount of \$4,250.

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15 Years	4.4%	\$ 4,250	\$1,645.27	\$ 393.02
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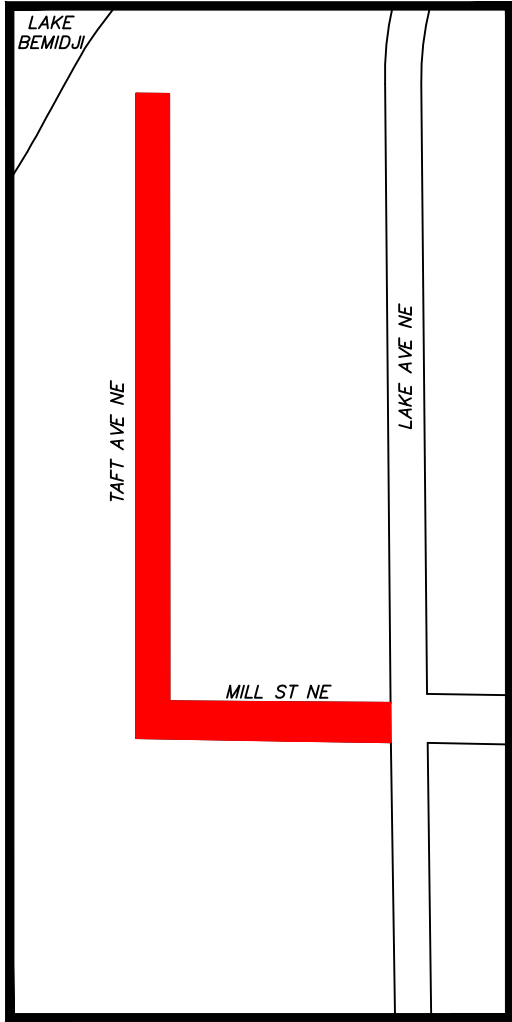
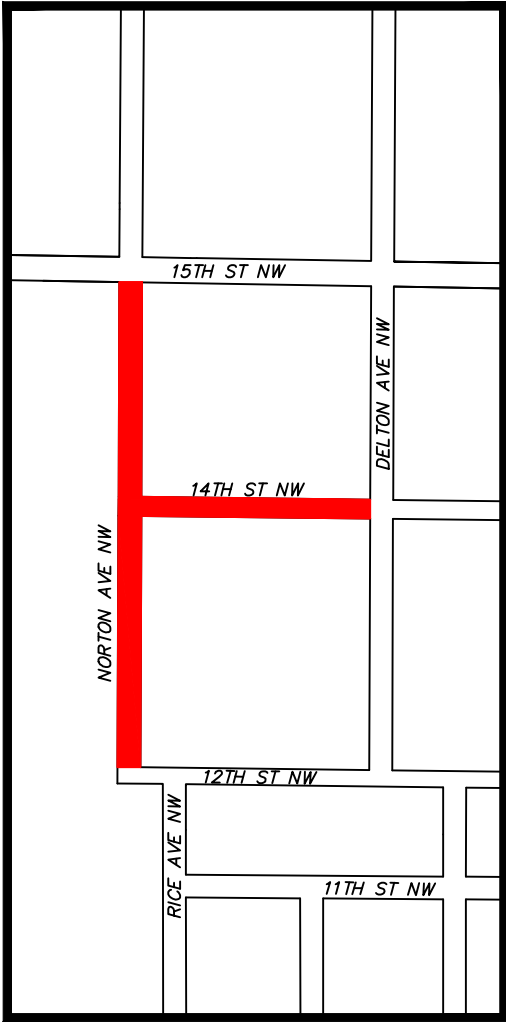
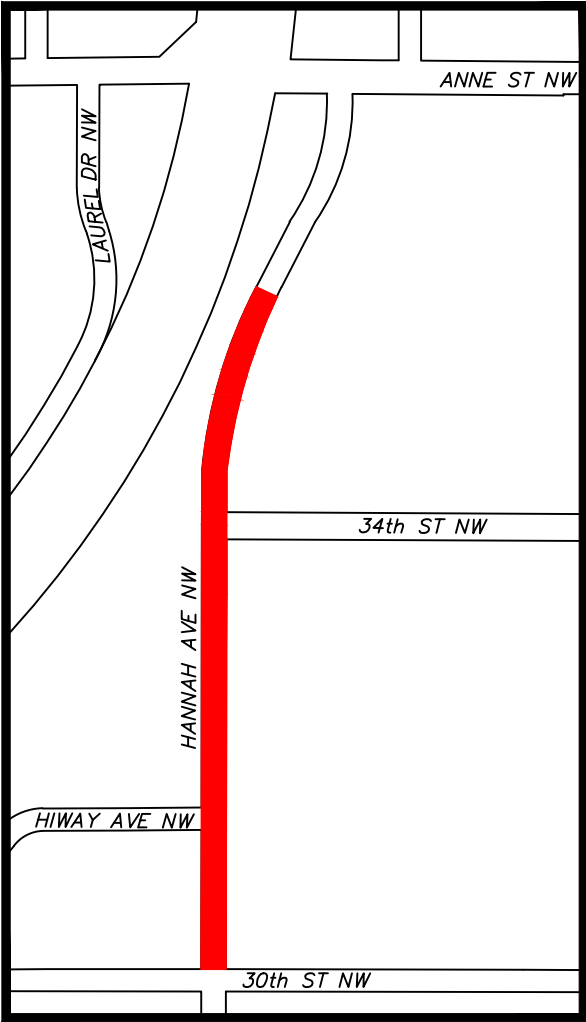
Finance

The total project cost was \$1,561,061.18 and the assessments for the project total \$305,079.65, following current city policy, which is about 19.5% of the total project costs.

Recommendation:

It is staff's opinion that each parcel on the assessment roll has benefitted from the project in an amount greater than or equal to the proposed assessment. It is recommended that the city council adopt the attached resolution approving the assessment roll for City Project 25-01.

EXHIBIT A



2025 STREET RENEWAL PROJECT



**CITY OF BEMIDJI
FINAL ASSESSMENT ROLL
2025 STREET RENEWAL PROJECT
CITY PROJECT #25-01
NORTON/14TH/HANNAH/TAFT**

DATE: SEPTEMBER 10, 2025
CORNER LOTS - C = 1/2 FRONTAGE

PROPERTY ADDRESS	TAX PARCEL NO.	NAME & ADDRESS OF PROPERTY OWNER	RATE	ASSESSABLE UNIT	ASSESSABLE UNIT (SEWER SERVICE)	ASSESSABLE UNIT (WATER SERVICE)	TOTAL AMOUNT	
				(STREET)				
939 12TH ST NW C	800257800	JUSTIN FOY 7243 LITTLE WOLF RD NW CASS LAKE, MN 56633	LF RATE TOTAL	100.00 \$45.00 \$4,500.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00		NORTON
1220 NORTON AVE NW	800257700	LIA F HENNINGSGAARD 1220 NORTON AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	100.00 \$45.00 \$4,500.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$6,640.00	
1222 NORTON AVE NW	800257600	DAVID M REYNOLDS 715 LAKE BLVD NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	150.00 \$45.00 \$6,750.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$4,500.00	
1234 NORTON AVE NW	800257400	BRANDON L BURK 1280 E AVE NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	100.00 \$45.00 \$4,500.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$6,750.00	
1240 NORTON AVE NW C	800257300	NICOLE CARLTON 1240 NORTON AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	112.50 \$45.00 \$5,062.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$4,500.00	
ASSESSED 1/2 ON NORTON & 14TH ST 1414 NORTON AVE NW	800255900	CLARENCE DONALD HEALY 1414 NORTON AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	95.00 \$45.00 \$4,275.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$5,062.50	
VACANT LOT	800255800	CLARENCE DONALD HEALY 1414 NORTON AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	161.00 \$45.00 \$7,245.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	\$4,275.00	
914 15TH ST NW C	800255600	BRITTANY JO FARRELL 2735 MARION DR SE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	75.00 \$45.00 \$3,375.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$9,385.00	
1427 NORTON AVE NW C	800212400	CITY OF BEMIDJI 317 4TH ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	108.50 \$45.00 \$4,882.50	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$3,375.00	
1417 NORTON AVE NW	800212500	WILLIAM J TAYLOR 1417 NORTON AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	250.00 \$45.00 \$11,250.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$5,952.50	
VACANT LOT	800212600	CITY OF BEMIDJI 317 4TH ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	100.00 \$45.00 \$4,500.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$11,250.00	14TH ST
1227 NORTON AVE NW	800019100	MALISA R VANMAASDAM 1227 NORTON AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	240.00 \$45.00 \$10,800.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$4,500.00	
1223 NORTON AVE NW	800019200	SARAH J EINERSON 1223 NORTON AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	120.00 \$45.00 \$5,400.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$10,800.00	
1209 NORTON AVE NW	800019300	JOELLEN M THOMAS GELLER 1209 NORTON AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	120.00 \$45.00 \$5,400.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$5,400.00	
1203 NORTON AVE NW C	800019500	ANDREW J PAPP 1203 NORTON AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	60.00 \$45.00 \$2,700.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$5,400.00	
914 14TH ST NW	800257200	MARIE R LAMON 914 14TH ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	120.00 \$45.00 \$5,400.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,700.00	
902 14TH ST NW	800257100	CHERYL K LUADTKE 8773 CENTERLINE RD NW SOLWAY, MN 56678	LF RATE TOTAL	120.00 \$45.00 \$5,400.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$5,400.00	
1700 PARK AVE NW	800257000	AMANDA GERTRUDE HUNT 7148 LITTLE DIP LN NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	120.00 \$45.00 \$5,400.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$5,400.00	
806 14TH ST NW C	800256800	TINA M ROSE 806 14TH ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	60.00 \$45.00 \$2,700.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,700.00	
1411 DELTON AVE NW C	800256700	NARY PROPERTIES LLC 211 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	60.00 \$45.00 \$2,700.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,700.00	
809 14TH ST NW	800256400	EAGLES WING PROPERTIES 7326 BIRCHMONT CT NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	60.00 \$45.00 \$2,700.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,700.00	HANNAH
815 14TH ST NW	800256500	DONALD O KEMMER 23183 TREEBARK DR BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	60.00 \$45.00 \$2,700.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,700.00	
817 14TH ST NW	800256300	KATHRYN E SANDERS LIVING TRUST 3619 BIRCHMONT DR NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	60.00 \$45.00 \$2,700.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,700.00	
819 14TH ST NW	800256200	PATTY R MORRIS 819 14TH ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	54.00 \$45.00 \$2,430.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,430.00	
907 14TH ST NW	800256100	EARL C FELT 907 14TH ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	126.00 \$45.00 \$5,670.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$5,670.00	
1402 NORTON AVE NW	800256000	DAVID MICHAEL KOSTAMO 1402 NORTON AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	140.00 \$45.00 \$6,300.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$6,300.00	
ASSESSED 1/2 ON NORTON & 14TH ST 1805 30TH ST NW C	800046903	BEMIDJI NORTHVIEW LLC PO BOX 946 BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	233.50 \$45.00 \$10,507.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$10,507.50	
3124 HANNAH AVE NW	800506500	BELTRAMI COUNTY 701 MINNESOTA AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	250.00 \$45.00 \$11,250.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$11,250.00	

3220 HANNAH AVE NW	800505800	SANFORD HEALTH OF NORTHERN MN 1300 ANNE ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	165.00 \$45.00 \$7,425.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00		TAFT
3220 HANNAH AVE NW	800505900	SANFORD HEALTH OF NORTHERN MN 1300 ANNE ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	165.00 \$45.00 \$7,425.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$7,425.00	
VACANT LOT C	800506000	SANFORD HEALTH OF NORTHERN MN 1300 ANNE ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	82.50 \$45.00 \$3,712.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$3,712.50	
3503 PINE RIDGE AVE NW C	800686700	SANFORD HEALTH OF NORTHERN MN 1300 ANNE ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	270.00 \$45.00 \$12,150.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$12,150.00	
3409 HANNAH AVE NW	800550800	NYHUSMOEN PROPERTIES BH, LLC 3411 HANNAH AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	227.50 \$45.00 \$10,237.50	0 \$7,000.00 \$0.00	0 \$5,000.00 \$0.00	\$10,237.50	
3405 HANNAH AVE NW	800550600	1006 BEMIDJI RE LLC PO BOX 7455 SAINT CLOUD, MN 56302	LF RATE TOTAL	280.00 \$45.00 \$12,600.00	1 \$7,000.00 \$7,000.00	1 \$5,000.00 \$5,000.00	\$24,600.00	
3221 HANNAH AVE NW	800550900	GOULD DEVELOPMENT LLC PO BOX 1565 ABERDEEN, SD 57401	LF RATE TOTAL	250.00 \$45.00 \$11,250.00	1 \$7,000.00 \$7,000.00	1 \$5,000.00 \$5,000.00	\$23,250.00	
3211 HANNAH AVE NW	800045802	KAREN JEAN MAGAURN 3211 HANNAH AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	150.00 \$45.00 \$6,750.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$6,750.00	
VACANT LOT C	800555100	TAYLOR F LLC 755 PAUL BUYNAN DR NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	102.50 \$45.00 \$4,612.50	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	\$6,752.50	
VACANT LOT C	800495400	FANKHANEL LLC PO BOX 946 BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	102.50 \$45.00 \$4,612.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$4,612.50	
VACANT LOT C	800556000	FANKHANEL LLC PO BOX 946 BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	103.00 \$45.00 \$4,635.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	\$6,775.00	
1717 5TH ST NE	800027500	IND SCHOOL DISTRICT #31 502 MINNESOTA AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	2.35 \$1,595.00 \$3,748.25	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$3,748.25	
2475 MILL ST NE	800240200	JASON KRUCHOWSKI 2475 MILL ST NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	0.75 \$1,595.00 \$1,196.25	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$1,196.25	
1004 TAFT AVE NE C ASSESSED 1/2 ON MILL & TAFT VACANT LOT	800237800	ROBERT L INNES 5584 MAIN ST W MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359	LF RATE TOTAL	1.12 \$1,595.00 \$1,786.40	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$1,786.40	
	800027600	ROBERT L INNES 5584 MAIN ST W MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359	LF RATE TOTAL	0.25 \$1,595.00 \$398.75	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$398.75	
2331 MILL ST NE	800238700	WENDY R WHITING 2331 MILL ST NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	1.50 \$1,595.00 \$2,392.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,392.50	
VACANT LOT	800237700	ROBERT L INNES 5584 MAIN ST W MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359	LF RATE TOTAL	0.50 \$1,595.00 \$797.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$797.50	
1012 TAFT AVE NE	800237600	ANDREA M NELSON 1012 TAFT AVE NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	1.00 \$1,595.00 \$1,595.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$1,595.00	
VACANT LOT	800237500	ROBERT L INNES 5584 MAIN ST W MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359	LF RATE TOTAL	0.50 \$1,595.00 \$797.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$797.50	
VACANT LOT	800237400	ROBERT L INNES 5584 MAIN ST W MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359	LF RATE TOTAL	0.50 \$1,595.00 \$797.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$797.50	
VACANT LOT	800237300	ROBERT L INNES 5584 MAIN ST W MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359	LF RATE TOTAL	0.50 \$1,595.00 \$797.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$797.50	
VACANT LOT	800237200	JEANNE M LACROIX 1015 TAFT AVE NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	0.50 \$1,595.00 \$797.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$797.50	
VACANT LOT	800237100	JEANNE M LACROIX 1015 TAFT AVE NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	0.50 \$1,595.00 \$797.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$797.50	
1020 TAFT AVE NE	800237001	KENNETH P HAUGEN 1020 TAFT AVE NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	2.00 \$1,595.00 \$3,190.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$3,190.00	
VACANT LOT	800237002	KENNETH P HAUGEN 1020 TAFT AVE NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	0.50 \$1,595.00 \$797.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$797.50	
VACANT LOT	800237000	CITY OF BEMIDJI 317 4TH ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	0.00 \$1,595.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$0.00	
VACANT LOT	800240400	ELLMAR PROPERTIES LLC 3807 VALLEY VIEW DR NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	1.00 \$1,595.00 \$1,595.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$1,595.00	
VACANT LOT	800238600	JOHN B MAGNUSON 1919 5TH ST SE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	2.50 \$1,595.00 \$3,987.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$3,987.50	
VACANT LOT	800238500	DENNIS L LACROIX TRUSTEE 1015 TAFT AVE NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	0.50 \$1,595.00 \$797.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$797.50	
1015 TAFT AVE NE	800238400	DENNIS L LACROIX TRUSTEE 1015 TAFT AVE NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	1.00 \$1,595.00 \$1,595.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$1,595.00	
VACANT LOT	800238300	JEANNE M LACROIX 1015 TAFT AVE NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	1.00 \$1,595.00 \$1,595.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$1,595.00	
VACANT LOT	800238200	JEANNE M LACROIX 1015 TAFT AVE NE	LF RATE	1.00 \$1,595.00	0 \$1,070.00	0 \$1,070.00		

		BEMIDJI, MN 56601	TOTAL	\$1,595.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,595.00
VACANT LOT	800238100	JEANNE M LACROIX	LF	0.50	0	0	
		1015 TAFT AVE NE	RATE	\$1,595.00	\$1,070.00	\$1,070.00	
		BEMIDJI, MN 56601	TOTAL	\$797.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$797.50
VACANT LOT	800238000	JEFFREY J BINGHAM	LF	1.00	0	0	
		812 ROLLING HILLS DR NW	RATE	\$1,595.00	\$1,070.00	\$1,070.00	
		BEMIDJI, MN 56601	TOTAL	\$1,595.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,595.00
VACANT LOT	800237900	ELLMAR PROPERTIES LLC	LF	1.00	0	0	
		3807 VALLEY VIEW DR NE	RATE	\$1,595.00	\$1,070.00	\$1,070.00	
		BEMIDJI, MN 56601	TOTAL	\$1,595.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,595.00
TOTALS				\$271,449.65	\$19,350.00	\$14,280.00	\$305,079.65

STREET TOTAL	\$271,449.65	FRONTAGE TOTAL	5253.50
SEWER TOTAL	\$19,350.00	PARCEL TOTAL	21.97
WATER TOTAL	\$14,280.00	SEWER SERVICES	7
TOTAL ASSESSMENT	\$305,079.65	WATER SERVICES	6

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING ASSESSMENT ROLLS FOR CITY PROJECT #25-01

WHEREAS, pursuant to proper notice duly given as required by law, the Council has met and heard and passed upon all objections to the proposed assessment for the costs associated with:

2025 Street Renewal Project

Street	From/To
Hannah Avenue NW	/ 30th Street NW – 600' north of 34th Street NW
Norton Avenue NW	/ 12th Street NW – 15th Street NW
14th Street NW	/ Norton Avenue NW – Delton Avenue NW
Taft Avenue NE	/ Mill Street NE – Dead End
Mill Street NE	/ Taft Avenue NE – Lake Avenue NE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA:

1. Proposed Assessment Rolls for City Project No. 25-01, copy of which is on file in the City Clerk's Office, is hereby adopted and shall constitute a special assessment against the lands named therein, and each tract of land therein included is hereby found to be benefited by the improvement in the amount of the assessment levied against it.

2. Such assessments shall be payable in equal annual installments over an extended period of time as indicated in the individual Assessment Roll. The first of the installments are to be payable on or before the first Monday in January, 2026, and shall bear interest at the rate of 4.4 percent per annum. To the first installment shall be added interest on the entire assessment from the first day of December 2025. To each subsequent installment when due shall be added interest for one year on all unpaid installments.

3. The owner of any property so assessed may, at any time prior to certification of the assessment to the County Auditor, pay the whole of the assessment on such property, with interest accrued to the date of payment, to the City Finance Director, except that no interest shall be charged if the entire assessment is paid within 30 days from the adoption of this resolution; and may, at any time thereafter, pay to the City Finance Director the entire amount of the assessment remaining unpaid, with interest accrued to December 31 of the year in which such payment is made. Such payment must be made before November 30 or interest will be charged through December 31 of the next succeeding year.

4. The City Clerk shall forthwith transmit a certified duplicate of the assessment rolls to the County Auditor to be extended on the property tax lists of the county. Such assessments shall be collected and paid over in the same manner as other municipal taxes.

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:

Michelle R. Miller, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Jorge S. Prince, Mayor

COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM



Meeting Date: November 3rd, 2025

Action Requested: Approve Resolution Adopting Final Assessment Roll - 2025 Park Avenue NW Reconstruction Project - City Project 25-02

Prepared By: Samuel C. Anderson, P.E. DPW/City Engineer

Background:

At the October 20th council meeting, staff provided the final assessment roll for our 2025 Park Avenue NW Reconstruction and a public hearing was held and closed. There was a request for some additional options to either reduce the overall payment or extend the time frame to pay off the special assessment amount on the resident's taxes.

The project consisted of the reconstruction and paving of the following street segments:

Park Avenue NW 15th Street NW – 23rd Street NW

Exhibit A is attached map showing those segments.

One of the options mentioned was to reduce the linear foot rate from \$45/linear ft to a value of \$38/linear foot from a few years ago. This would reduce the overall project total assessment amount by \$20,443.50. With the average individual property special assessment amount being about \$3,000, this would reduce their special assessment amount by roughly \$450. That reduction in special assessment amount would need to be covered by most likely be additional tax levy funds or construction reserves added to the project.

Another option would be to extend the loan payoff timeframe. This could be extended from the current 15 years up to a maximum of 30 years. Below is the current term rate of 15 years compared to up to 30 years using the average assessment amount of \$3,000.

Term Length	Interest Rate	Amount	Total Interest	Yearly Pymt
15 Years	4.4%	\$ 3,000	\$1,161.36	\$ 277.42
20 Years	4.4%	\$ 3,000	\$1,572.69	\$ 228.63
25 Years	4.4%	\$ 3,000	\$2,006.00	\$ 200.24
30 Years	4.4%	\$ 3,000	\$2,460.41	\$ 182.01

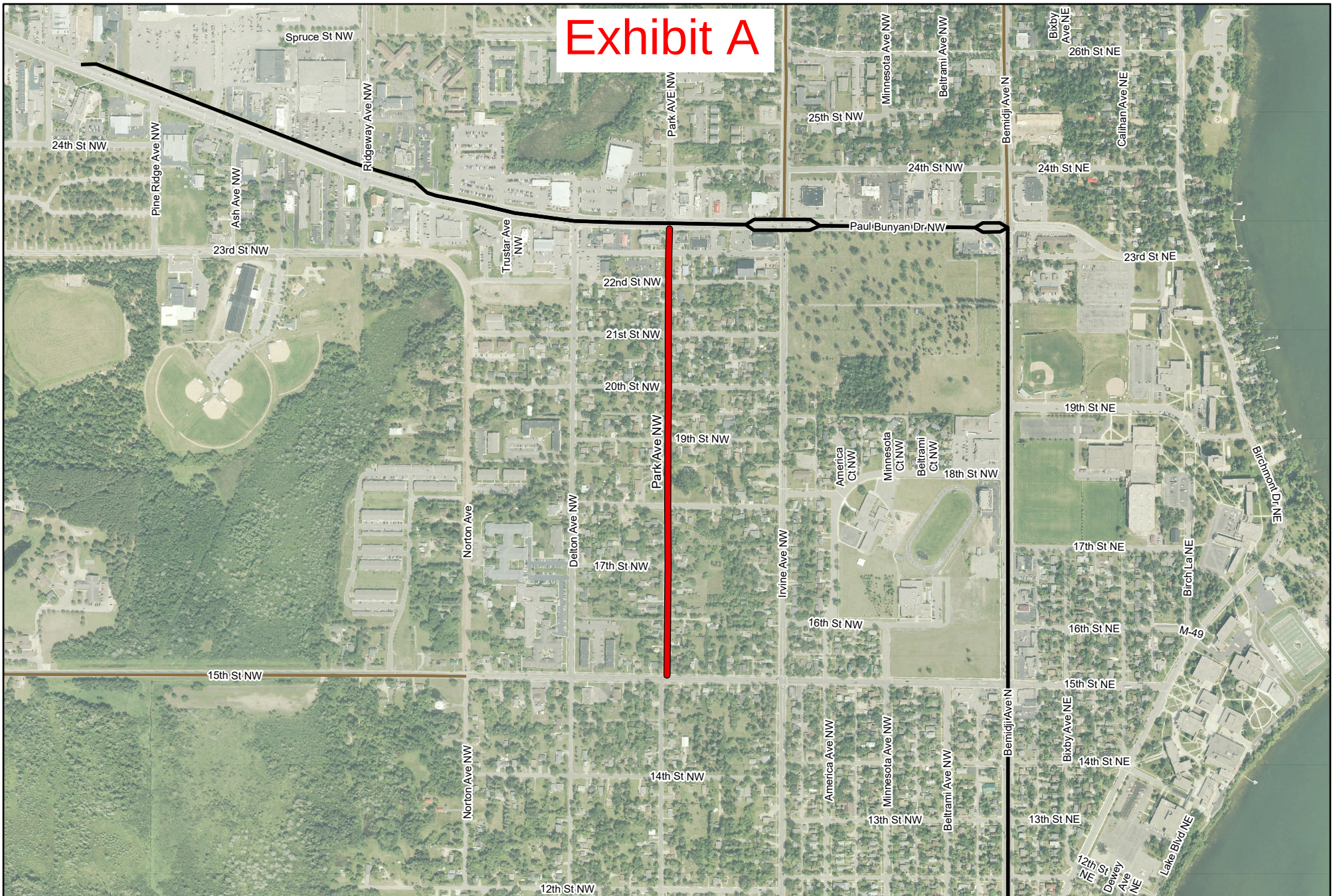
Finance

The total project cost ended up being \$1,838,392.93 and the assessments for the project total \$139,982.50 which is about 8% of the total project costs.

Recommendation:

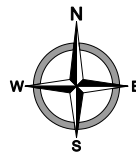
It is staff's opinion that each parcel on the assessment roll has benefitted from the project in an amount greater than or equal to the proposed assessment. It is recommended that the city council adopt the attached resolution approving the assessment roll for City Project 25-02.

Exhibit A



2025 PARK AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA

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CITY OF BEMIDJI
FINAL ASSESSMENT ROLL
2025 PARK AVENUE NW RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT
CITY PROJECT #25-02

DATE: SEPTEMBER 10, 2025
CORNER LOTS - C = 1/2 FRONTAGE

PROPERTY ADDRESS	TAX PARCEL NO.	NAME & ADDRESS OF PROPERTY OWNER	RATE	ASSESSABLE UNIT	ASSESSABLE UNIT	ASSESSABLE UNIT	TOTAL AMOUNT
				(STREET)	(SEWER SERVICE)	(WATER SERVICE)	
621 15TH ST NW C	800322100	ROGER EDLUND 621 15TH ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	77.50 \$45.00 \$3,487.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$3,487.50
1516 PARK AVE NW	800322000	AMY L WEINMANN 1516 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	75.00 \$45.00 \$3,375.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$3,375.00
1518 PARK AVE NW	800322200	RONALD A RIFFLE 1518 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	115.00 \$45.00 \$5,175.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$5,175.00
1602 PARK AVE NW	800322700	JANET FOLEY 45745 ROXBURY DR LAPORTE, MN 56461	LF RATE TOTAL	82.00 \$45.00 \$3,690.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$3,690.00
VACANT LOT	800322500	GREGORY J BELLINO 1609 IRVINE AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	66.00 \$45.00 \$2,970.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	 \$5,110.00
1616 PARK AVE NW	800322800	JEFFREY A FINLEY 1616 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	44.00 \$45.00 \$1,980.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$1,980.00
1618 PARK AVE NW	800323000	JACQUELYN HAZEMEN TRUSTEE 6615 JACKPINE RD NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	88.00 \$45.00 \$3,960.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$3,960.00
1700 PARK AVE NW	800323400	HENRY R IMSANDE 1700 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	131.00 \$45.00 \$5,895.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$5,895.00
1706 PARK AVE NW	800323600	HENRY R IMSANDE 1700 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	66.00 \$45.00 \$2,970.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$2,970.00
VACANT LOT	800323500	HENRY R IMSANDE 1700 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	66.00 \$45.00 \$2,970.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$4,040.00
VACANT LOT	800324000	HENRY R IMSANDE 1700 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	50.00 \$45.00 \$2,250.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	 \$4,390.00
1718 PARK AVE NW C	800323700	HENRY R IMSANDE 1700 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	41.00 \$45.00 \$1,845.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$1,845.00
701 15TH ST NW C	800327300	JAMES B BAKER 49319 COUNTY 36 BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$2,925.00
1511 PARK AVE NW	800327400	ORVILLE L JOHNSON 1511 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	100.00 \$45.00 \$4,500.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$4,500.00
1523 PARK AVE NW	800327500	WILLIAM G BALDWIN JR 6005 W YUKON TRAIL SIOUX FALLS, SD 57107	LF RATE TOTAL	50.00 \$45.00 \$2,250.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$2,250.00
1525 PARK AVE NW	800327200	STOLTY HOMES LLC 9050 181ST AVE NW RAMSEY, MN 55303	LF RATE TOTAL	50.00 \$45.00 \$2,250.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$2,250.00
1605 PARK AVE NW	800327000	DENNIS MONTGOMERY 1605 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	99.00 \$45.00 \$4,455.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$4,455.00
1611 PARK AVE NW	800326900	DOROTHY SAUER 1611 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	50.00 \$45.00 \$2,250.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$2,250.00
1613 PARK AVE NW	800326800	DOROTHY SAUER 1611 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	50.00 \$45.00 \$2,250.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$2,250.00
1619 PARK AVE NW C	800326700	BRADLEY A CARLSON 1619 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	49.50 \$45.00 \$2,227.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$2,227.50
1701 PARK AVE NW C	800326100	JEFFREY P BERGH 17798 GULL LAKE LOOP RD NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	55.00 \$45.00 \$2,475.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$2,475.00
1717 PARK AVE NW	800325900	DANIEL L SMITH 1717 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	110.00 \$45.00 \$4,950.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$4,950.00
1731 PARK AVE NW C	800325801	JOHN W PORTER 1731 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	55.00 \$45.00 \$2,475.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$2,475.00
615 18TH ST NW C	800325100	CITY OF BEMIDJI 317 4TH ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	70.00 \$45.00 \$3,150.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$3,150.00
1814 PARK AVE NW	800325000	ROSE MARIE JOHNSON 1814 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	80.00 \$45.00 \$3,600.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	 \$3,600.00
622 19TH ST NW	800278500	NORTH AMERICA RENTALS LLC	LF	60.00	0	0	

C		41227 SECLUSION POINT RD DENT, MN 56528	RATE TOTAL	\$45.00 \$2,700.00	\$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,700.00
615 19TH ST NW C	800276600	BRANDON R SCHMICKLE 1515 6TH ST SE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
VACANT LOT C	800276700	DUSTIN HINCKLEY 4520 BRINKMAN DR NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$3,995.00
625 20TH ST NW C	800274500	STEPHANIE R TANNER 625 20TH ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
624 21ST NW C	800274600	PROSA SERVICES LLC 551 POPPLE DR SE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
625 21ST ST NW C	800272600	VIKING ENERGY SERVICES PO BOX 1886 NEW TOWN, ND 58763	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
2120 PARK AVE NW C	800272700	JOSEPH S HOLT 2120 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
623 22ND ST NW C	800271300	R/JG SERVICES INC 38413 FRONT ST BATTLE LAKE, MN 56515	LF RATE TOTAL	62.50 \$45.00 \$2,812.50	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,812.50
1813 PARK AVE NW C	800325200	NORTH HOMES INC 1880 RIVER RD GRAND RAPIDS, MN 55744	LF RATE TOTAL	110.00 \$45.00 \$4,950.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$4,950.00
VACANT C	800278600	CHRISTOPHER RESTEMAYER 120 S PROSPECT ST MERRILL, WI 54452	LF RATE TOTAL	60.00 \$45.00 \$2,700.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,700.00
1903 PARK AVE NW C	800280800	PROSPER PROPERTIES LLC PO BOX 825 PARK RAPIDS, MN 56570	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
1919 PARK AVE NW C	800279300	RONALD KOETTER 5200 SHERMAN DR NE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
2003 PARK AVE NW C	800282400	ERIC BROWN 2003 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
704 21ST ST NW C	800281100	R & S PROPERTIES LLC 11960 47TH ST NE SAINT MICHAEL, MN 55376	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
703 21ST ST NW C	800284400	SHALINI SIVARAM 703 21ST NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
2121 PARK AVE NW C	800282600	PROSA SERVICES LLC 551 POPPLE DR SE BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	65.00 \$45.00 \$2,925.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,925.00
PARKING LOT C	800284500	BANKFORWARD 700 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	63.00 \$45.00 \$2,835.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$2,835.00
VACANT LOT OFF STREET	800322600	HAROLD VOLLEN JR 1603 IRVINE AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	0.00 \$45.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$0.00
1520 PARK AVE NW OFF STREET	800322400	MICHAEL BOWMAN SR 1520 PARK AVE NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	0.00 \$45.00 \$0.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	1 \$1,070.00 \$1,070.00	\$2,140.00
700 PAUL BUNYAN DRIVE C	800333500	BANKFORWARD 700 PAUL BUNYAN DR NW BEMIDJI, MN 56601	LF RATE TOTAL	0.00 \$45.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$0.00
550 PAUL BUNYAN DRIVE NW C	800330701	MONTY REALTY LLC 160 83RD AVE NE SUITE 104 FRIDLEY, MN 55432	LF RATE TOTAL	0.00 \$45.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	0 \$1,070.00 \$0.00	\$0.00
TOTALS				\$131,422.50	\$5,350.00	\$3,210.00	\$139,982.50

STREET TOTAL	\$131,422.50	FOOTAGE TOTAL	2,920.50
SEWER TOTAL	\$5,350.00	SEWER SERVICES	5
WATER TOTAL	\$3,210.00	WATER SERVICES	3
TOTAL ASSESSMENT	\$139,982.50		

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING ASSESSMENT ROLLS FOR CITY PROJECT #25-02

WHEREAS, pursuant to proper notice duly given as required by law, the Council has met and heard and passed upon all objections to the proposed assessment for the costs associated with:

2025 Park Avenue NW Reconstruction Project

Street		From/To
Park Avenue NW	/	15 th Street NW – Trunk Highway 197

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA:

1. Proposed Assessment Rolls for City Project No. 25-02, copy of which is on file in the City Clerk's Office, is hereby adopted and shall constitute a special assessment against the lands named therein, and each tract of land therein included is hereby found to be benefited by the improvement in the amount of the assessment levied against it.

2. Such assessments shall be payable in equal annual installments over an extended period of time as indicated in the individual Assessment Roll. The first of the installments are to be payable on or before the first Monday in January, 2026, and shall bear interest at the rate of 4.4 percent per annum. To the first installment shall be added interest on the entire assessment from the first day of December 2025. To each subsequent installment when due shall be added interest for one year on all unpaid installments.

3. The owner of any property so assessed may, at any time prior to certification of the assessment to the County Auditor, pay the whole of the assessment on such property, with interest accrued to the date of payment, to the City Finance Director, except that no interest shall be charged if the entire assessment is paid within 30 days from the adoption of this resolution; and may, at any time thereafter, pay to the City Finance Director the entire amount of the assessment remaining unpaid, with interest accrued to December 31 of the year in which such payment is made. Such payment must be made before November 30 or interest will be charged through December 31 of the next succeeding year.

4. The City Clerk shall forthwith transmit a certified duplicate of the assessment rolls to the County Auditor to be extended on the property tax lists of the county. Such assessments shall be collected and paid over in the same manner as other municipal taxes.

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:

Michelle R. Miller, City Clerk

APPROVED:

Jorge S. Prince, Mayor