

Grand Forks Legislative Committee  
Friday, March 15, 2019  
City Hall, A102

**Attendees:**

Tangee Bouvette, Paul Houdek, Al Grasser, Becky Ault, Pete Haga, Candi Stjern, Maureen Storstad, Todd Feland, Ryan Brooks, Ken Vein, Bret Weber, Mark Nelson

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The Grand Forks Legislative Committee participated in the weekly conference call with the North Dakota League of Cities.

The GF Legislative Committee addressed the following bills:

**HB 1435** (SIRN Funding)

This bill provides funding for the State Interoperable Radio Network in North Dakota. The City of Grand Forks Supports this bill.

**SB 2275** (Legacy Fund Loan Bill)

This bill would provide 2% loans for political subdivisions for infrastructure needs from the legacy fund. This bill would work in partnership with HB 1066. This bill was heard in the House Appropriations Committee on Tuesday, March 12, 2019. The City of Grand Forks provided testimony in SUPPORT of this bill.

**HB 1165** (Nonconforming Structures)

This bill would allow nonconforming structures after a structure has over 50% damage. This bill is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Political Subdivisions Committee on Thursday, March 21, 2019. The City of Grand Forks will provided testimony in OPPOSITION to this bill.

**HB 1488** (Special Assessment Funds)

This bill would require a political subdivision to review all Special Assessment funds annually and once a fund can be paid off the special assessment will end. This bill is scheduled to be heard in the Senate Political Subdivisions Committee on Friday, March 22, 2019. The City of Grand Forks will provide testimony in OPPOSITION of this bill.

**Testimony**

Written or verbal testimony was provided for the following bills last week

March 11 – March 15

HB 1289 – March 11, 2019

SB 2275 – March 12, 2019

HB 1435 – March 14, 2019

Written or verbal testimony will be provided for the following bills this week

March 18 – March 22

HB 1165 – March 21, 2019

HB 1488 – March 22, 2019

All of the bills that the City of Grand Forks is tracking can be found online at [www.grandforksgov.com](http://www.grandforksgov.com). Search 2019 Legislature on the homepage