



City of Grand Forks
Staff Report
Committee of the Whole – February 24, 2020
City Council – March 2, 2020

APPROVED & ACCEPTED
by City Council
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Agenda Item: Designate voting locations for 2020 Elections

Submitted by: Maureen Storstad, Finance Director

Staff Recommended Action: Approve voting locations for June 9 and November 3, 2020 elections

Committee Recommended Action: Referred to City Council with recommendation to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Action: Approved unanimously on consent agenda

BACKGROUND: ND Century Code 16.1-04-02 assigns the duties and responsibilities for establishing voting locations within an incorporated City to the governing body of the city.

State law includes requirements which sites should meet to be used as voting locations and there are also technical needs required to support the election equipment. These include: adequate and proximate parking, ADA Compliant, adequate space to accommodate voting stations and adequate electrical connections for election equipment.

Staff has reviewed options and consulted with the County that administers the elections. The recommendation is to designate the same sites as were used in 2018, with one change. All Ward 5 will be hosted at the ICON/Park District Office for the June election. In the past First Presbyterian Church has been used for Precinct 2, however they have a conflict with the June 9 election and are unable to host that day, however they are available for the November 3 election. Following the June election, the County will provide feedback and a determination will be made whether there is a need to shift Precinct 2 back to First Presbyterian Church or if it works better to keep all of Ward 5 at the ICON/Park District location. All recommended sites meet the guidelines set by the state and are also familiar to those that have voted in past elections.

ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS OF FACT:

- State law assigns responsibility for designating voting sites within the city boundaries to the governing body of the city.

- Grand Forks County administers the elections and has been consulted regarding the proposed sites. They concur that they will meet the requirements necessary to conduct the election.
- Sites proposed were used for the 2018 election.

SUPPORT MATERIALS:

- Proposed Site List and Ward Map showing sites

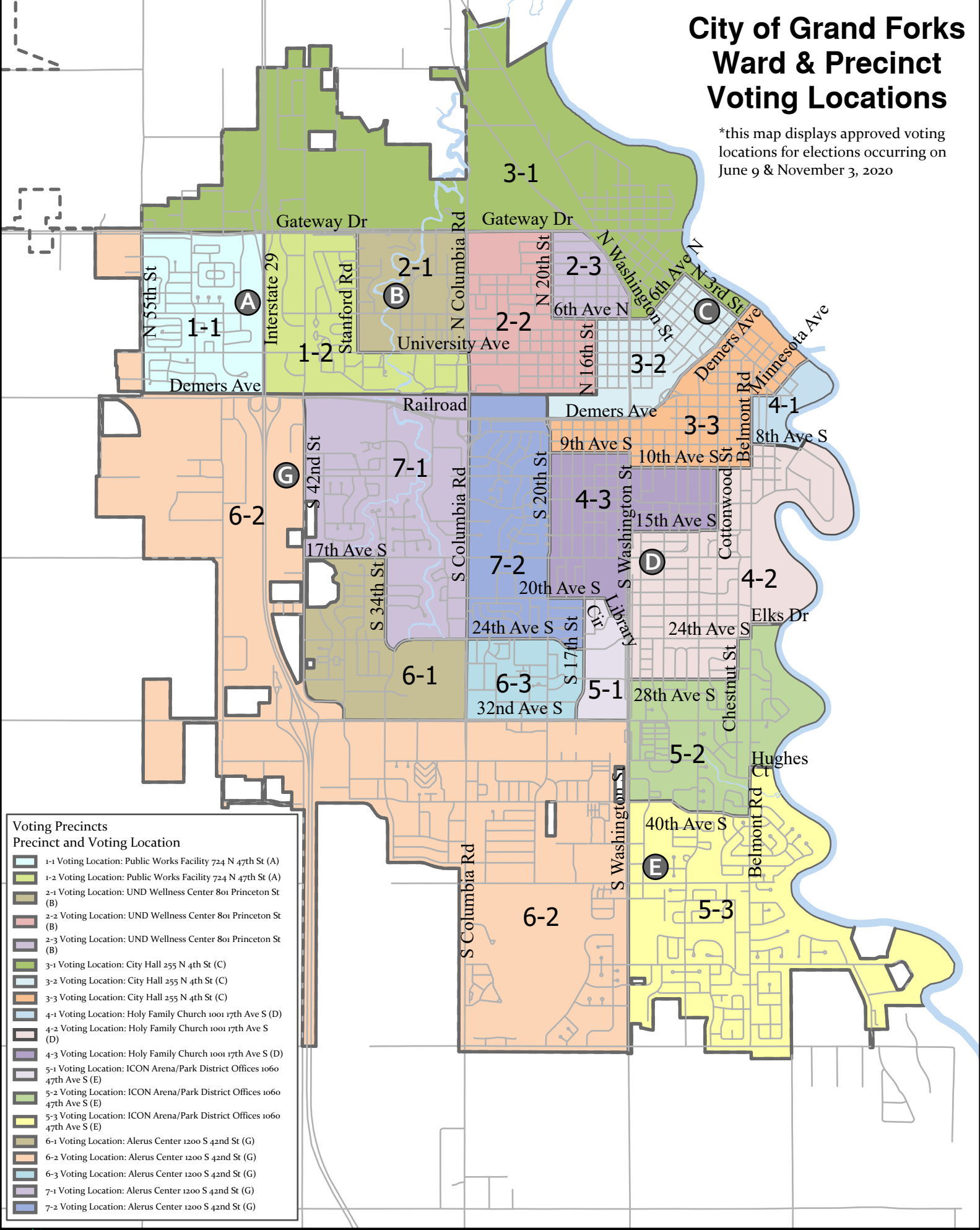
City of Grand Forks Precinct Polling

City Ward/Precinct	6 Polling Locations
Ward 1, Prec 1	Public Works Facility 724 N 47 th St (All of Ward 1)
Ward 1, Prec 2	
Ward 2, Prec 1	UND Wellness Center 801 Princeton St (All of Ward 2)
Ward 2, Prec 2	
Ward 2, Prec 3	
Ward 3, Prec 1	City Hall 255 N 4 th Street (All of Ward 3)
Ward 3, Prec 2	
Ward 3, Prec 3	
Ward 4, Prec 1	Holy Family Church 1001 17 th Ave S (All of Ward 4)
Ward 4, Prec 2	
Ward 4, Prec 3	
Ward 5, Prec 1	Icon Arena/Park District Offices 1060 47 th Ave S
Ward 5, Prec 2*	
Ward 5, Prec 3	
Ward 6, Prec 1	Alerus Center 1200 S 42nd St (All of Wards 6, & 7)
Ward 6, Prec 2	
Ward 6, Prec 3	
Ward 7, Prec 1	
Ward 7, Prec 2	

*Following the June Election, the County will provide feedback on whether this site can handle the anticipated election turnout. If more space is needed, a request will be brought to City Council to relocate that precinct to First Presbyterian Church, where it was located for the 2018 election.

City of Grand Forks Ward & Precinct Voting Locations

*this map displays approved voting locations for elections occurring on June 9 & November 3, 2020



Voting Precincts Precinct and Voting Location

- 1-1 Voting Location: Public Works Facility 724 N 47th St (A)
- 1-2 Voting Location: Public Works Facility 724 N 47th St (A)
- 2-1 Voting Location: UND Wellness Center 801 Princeton St (B)
- 2-2 Voting Location: UND Wellness Center 801 Princeton St (B)
- 2-3 Voting Location: UND Wellness Center 801 Princeton St (B)
- 3-1 Voting Location: City Hall 255 N 4th St (C)
- 3-2 Voting Location: City Hall 255 N 4th St (C)
- 3-3 Voting Location: City Hall 255 N 4th St (C)
- 4-1 Voting Location: Holy Family Church 1001 17th Ave S (D)
- 4-2 Voting Location: Holy Family Church 1001 17th Ave S (D)
- 4-3 Voting Location: Holy Family Church 1001 17th Ave S (D)
- 5-1 Voting Location: ICON Arena/Park District Offices 1060 47th Ave S (E)
- 5-2 Voting Location: ICON Arena/Park District Offices 1060 47th Ave S (E)
- 5-3 Voting Location: ICON Arena/Park District Offices 1060 47th Ave S (E)
- 6-1 Voting Location: Alerus Center 1200 S 42nd St (G)
- 6-2 Voting Location: Alerus Center 1200 S 42nd St (G)
- 6-3 Voting Location: Alerus Center 1200 S 42nd St (G)
- 7-1 Voting Location: Alerus Center 1200 S 42nd St (G)
- 7-2 Voting Location: Alerus Center 1200 S 42nd St (G)

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