



City of Grand Forks  
Staff Report  
City Council - 1/05/2026

**APPROVED & ACCEPTED**  
*by City Council*

01/05/2026

*Maureen Storstad*  
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City Auditor

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**Agenda Item:** 2026 Sole Source Chemicals for Regional Water Treatment Plant

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**Submitted by:** John Goetz, Manager Regional Water Treatment Plant, Melanie Parvey Water Works Director

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**Staff Recommended Action:** To approve sole source chemicals

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**Council Action:** Motion by Berg, second by Sande to approve on consent agenda.  
Motion passed unanimously

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**BACKGROUND:** The Grand Forks Regional Water Treatment Plant has three chemicals that are sole sourced to support the chemical operation of the ultra-filtration (UF) and reverse osmosis (RO) membranes. These chemicals are supplied directly from the manufacturer of the UF/RO membranes to not void the manufacturer's warranty.

UF/RO

- Antiscalant: AVISTA 204/Veolia Hypersperse MDC714
- Avista 177: High pH Cleaner
- Avista 204: Low pH cleaner

Raw Water

- EarthTec QZ: Zebra Muscle Control Chemical

**ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS OF FACT:**

- Recommendation is to accept the sole source chemicals.

**SUPPORT MATERIALS:**