



City of Grand Forks  
Staff Report  
Committee of the Whole – January 12, 2026  
City Council – January 20, 2026

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**Agenda Item: Application from Grand Forks Children’s Museum Inc for site authorizations at The Spud Jr**

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**Submitted by:** Sherie Lundmark, City Clerk  
Maureen Storstad, Finance Director

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**Staff Recommended Action:** Review and take action on request

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**Committee of the Whole:**

Motion by Osowski, second by Weigel to refer to City Council with a recommendation to approve the request. Motion passed unanimously.

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**Council Action:**

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**BACKGROUND:**

Grand Forks Children’s Museum, Inc. has submitted an application for a site authorization at The Spud Jr, 116 S 3<sup>rd</sup> St., which holds a Class 4 (Food & Beverage) Alcoholic Beverage License, and is allowed to designate a 21+ bar area, which is no more than 800 sq. ft., in which gaming can be conducted. This is a new business to Grand Forks, so City Council approval of the site authorization is required.

**ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS OF FACT:**

- Grand Forks Children’s Museum, Inc. has submitted an application for a site authorization at The Spud Jr.
- ND Century Code allows gaming within businesses that have on-sale alcoholic beverage licenses. No minors are allowed within areas that gaming is allowed.
- The Spud Jr holds a Class 4 alcoholic beverage license, which includes on-sale service of alcohol. They are allowed to have gaming in a designated 21+ area that can not exceed 800 sq. ft.
- City Council has the authority to approve which charities holding a state gaming license are allowed to hold site authorizations within the community and the location at which the organizations can operate.
- Once initially approved, renewals of site authorizations are processed administratively.

**SUPPORT MATERIALS:**

- Site Authorization application from Grand Forks Children’s Museum, Inc.



**GAMING SITE AUTHORIZATION**  
 ND OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL  
 SFN 17996 (4-2023)

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 Site License Number  
 (Attorney General Use Only)

Full, Legal Name of Gaming Organization  
**GRAND FORKS CHILDREN'S MUSEUM**

This organization is authorized to conduct games of chance under the license granted by the North Dakota Attorney General at the following location

Name of Location  
**SPUD JR**

Street <b>116 S 3RD ST</b>	City <b>GRAND FORKS</b>	ZIP Code <b>58201</b>	County <b>GRAND FORKS</b>
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Beginning Date(s) Authorized <b>1/1/2026</b>	Ending Date(s) Authorized <b>6/30/2026</b>	Number of Twenty-One tables, if zero, enter "0" <b>0</b>
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Specific location where games of chance will be conducted and played at the site (required)  
**EAST WALL OF THE BAR SECTION**

If conducting Raffle or Poker activity provide date(s) or month(s) of the event(s) if known

**RESTRICTIONS FOR CITY/COUNTY USE ONLY**

The organization **must** provide the City/County a list of game types included in their Internal Control Manual and have the manual available upon request. The manual must thoroughly explain each game type to be conducted. The City/County can only approve these games at the site.

**ACTIVITY TO BE CONDUCTED** Please check all applicable games to be conducted at site (required)

<input type="checkbox"/> Bingo	<input type="checkbox"/> Club Special	<input type="checkbox"/> Sports Pools
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>ELECTRONIC</b> Quick Shot Bingo	<input type="checkbox"/> Tip Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Twenty-One
<input type="checkbox"/> Raffles	<input type="checkbox"/> Seal Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Poker
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>ELECTRONIC</b> 50/50 Raffle	<input type="checkbox"/> Punchboard	<input type="checkbox"/> Calcuttas
<input type="checkbox"/> Pull Tab Jar	<input type="checkbox"/> Prize Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Paddlewheel with Tickets
<input type="checkbox"/> Pull Tab Dispensing Device	<input type="checkbox"/> Prize Board Dispensing Device	<input type="checkbox"/> Paddlewheel Table
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>ELECTRONIC</b> Pull Tab Device		

Days of week of gaming operations (if restricted)	Hours of gaming (if restricted)
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If any information above is false, it is subject to administrative action on behalf of the State of North Dakota Office of Attorney General

**APPROVALS**

Attorney General	Date
Signature of City/County Official	Date

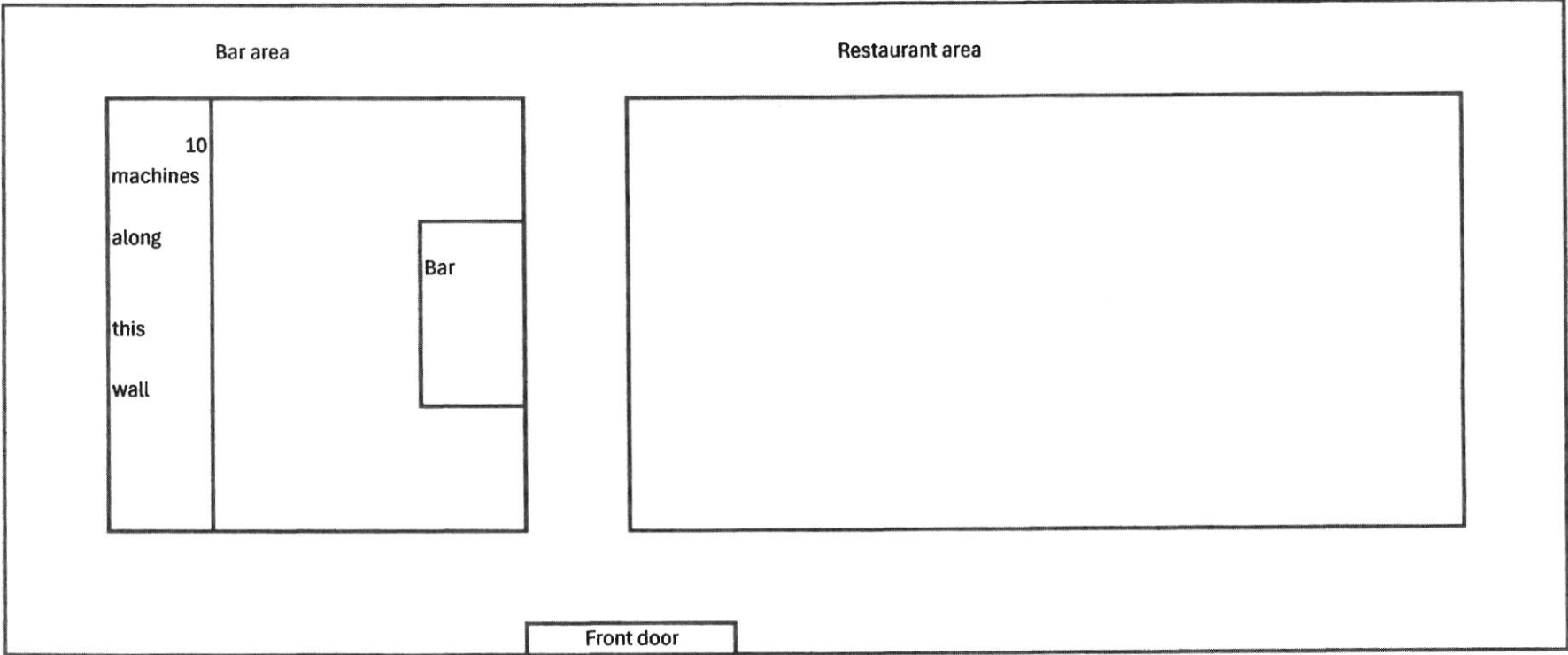
**PRINT** Name and official position of person signing on behalf of city/county above

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. City/County - Retain a **copy** of the Site Authorization for your files.
2. City/County - Return the **original** Site Authorization form to the Organization.
3. Organizations - Send the **original, signed**, Site Authorization to the Office of Attorney General with any other applicable licensing forms for final approval

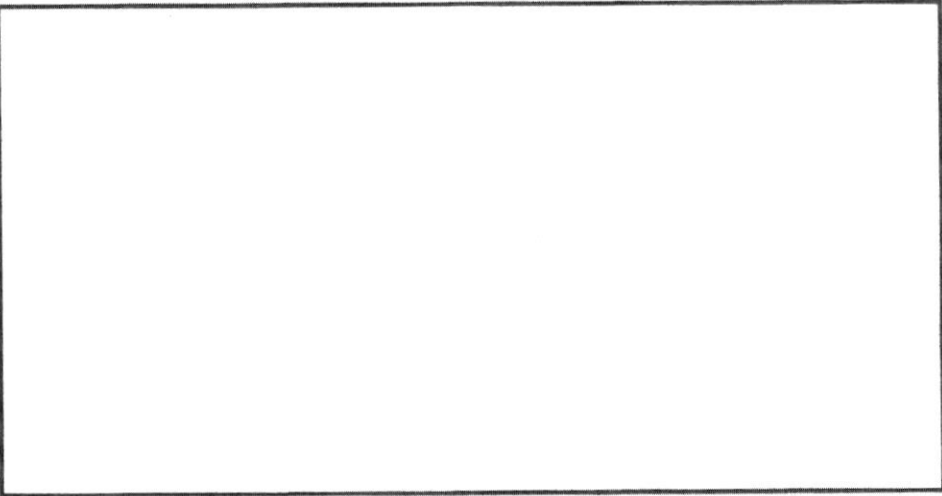
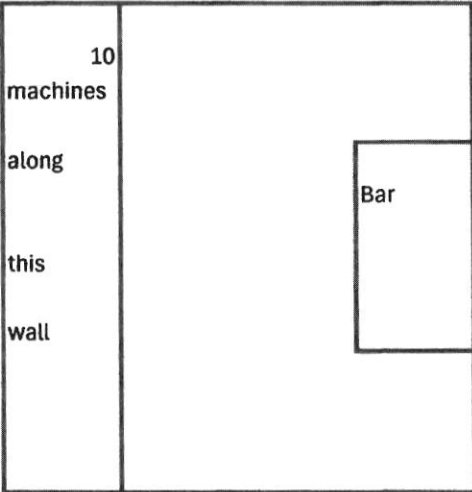
**RETURN ALL DOCUMENTS TO:**

Office of Attorney General  
 Licensing Section  
 600 E Boulevard Ave, Dept. 125  
 Bismarck, ND 58505-0040  
 Telephone: 701-328-2329 OR 800-326-9240



Bar area

Restaurant area



Front door