



City of Grand Forks  
Staff Report

Committee of the Whole – March 9, 2026  
City Council – March 16, 2026

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

03/16/2026

*Maureen Storstad*  
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City Auditor

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**Agenda Item:** Plans and Specifications for City Project No. 8730– Point Bridge Rehab

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**Submitted by:** Engineering Department, David Kuharenko, PE (Assistant City Engineer)  
Carter Hunter, PE (Civil Engineer, Sr.)

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**Staff Recommended Action:** **Approve Plans and Specifications for City Project No. 8730, Point Bridge Rehab with final approval through Minnesota Department of Transportation.**

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**Committee Recommended Action:**

Motion by Sande, second by Osowski to refer to City Council with a recommendation to approve staff recommendation. Motion passed unanimously.

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

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**BACKGROUND:**

The project being proposed is a joint effort by the City of Grand Forks, the City of East Grand Forks, North Dakota Department of Transportation, and Minnesota Department of Transportation for the Rehabilitation of the Point Bridge for construction in 2026. As previously agreed, the East Grand Forks City Engineer Widseth is taking the lead on the project which includes replacement of expansion & swivel joints, repairing damaged concrete curbing, partial depth repairs of concrete decking, mill & overlay entire concrete bridge deck, painting of handrails and steel beams, approach work on the Minnesota side, and bridge superstructure work. The last bridge rehabilitation was completed in 2006. The cost of the project is split 50-50 between Grand Forks and East Grand Forks. The anticipated cost share for the City of Grand Forks is \$226,195 with a cost split of 80% Federal, 20% local.

The Point Bridge was built in 1967. The City of East Grand Forks completed a bridge condition report on the Point Bridge in 2024 with Widseth. This project will address the recommended rehabilitation that the report identified.

This project has been considered at a number of previous Council/Committee/Public meetings, some of which are as follows:

- This project has been programmed for several years and has been included on the ND Department of Transportation's listing for projects eligible for Federal Highway Urban Funding. The project was applied for in 2021.
- April 21, 2025 – City Council approved the Cooperation Rehabilitation Agreement that lays out the responsibilities and cost share for the City of East Grand Forks and the City of Grand Forks.

### **ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS OF FACT:**

- The overall project is split 50-50 with East Grand Forks.
- The project cost share is 80% Federal and 20% Local.
- The engineer's estimate for the project is \$2,261,948.
- The anticipated City share for this project is \$226,195.
- The funding for the local share will be from the Street/Infrastructure Fund 4815 which includes \$230,000 budgeted for this project.
- This project will be presented again to Council for the concurrence of bids in spring of 2026.

### **SUPPORT MATERIALS:**

- Project Location Map (1 page)
- Page 547 of the 2026 City Budget indicating funding source for this project (1 page)

# PROJECT LOCATION MAP

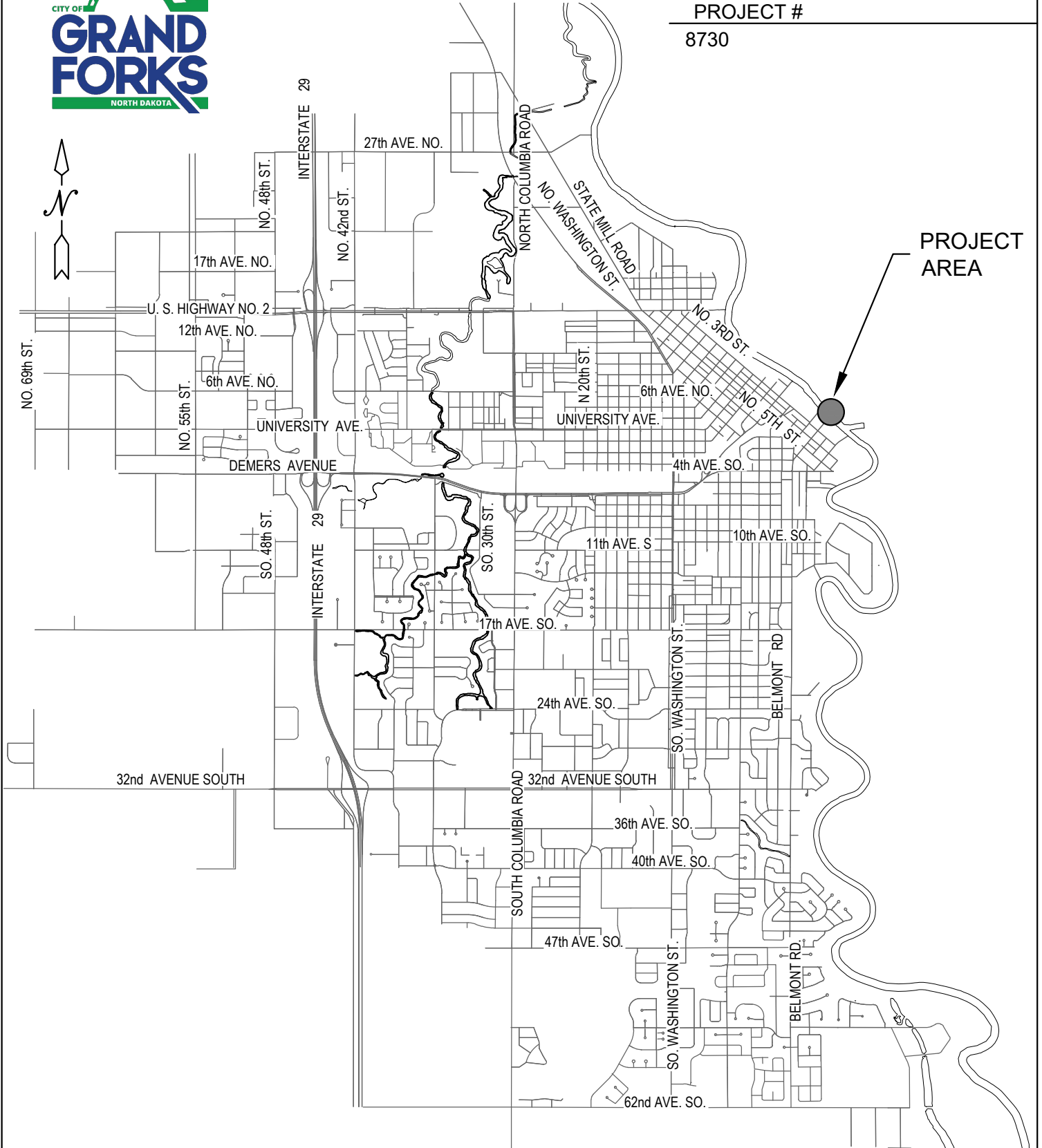
## GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA

Point Bridge Rehabilitation



PROJECT #

8730



**City of Grand Forks  
2026 Budget**

**CIP (Continued)  
Street Infrastructure Fund - Multi Year Plan**

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	Out Years
<b>SOURCE/USE OF FUNDS:</b>								
Highway Users Tax	\$ 2,833,346	\$ 3,326,300	\$ 3,326,300	\$ 3,326,300	\$ 3,326,300	\$ 3,326,300	\$ 3,326,300	
Legacy Fund Distribution								
Sales Tax Revenue	4,278,063	4,626,726	4,765,528	4,908,494	5,055,748	5,207,421	5,363,644	
Additional 1/2% Sales Tax - Street Portion	3,884,146	4,267,973	4,411,012	4,558,343	4,710,093	4,866,396	5,027,387	
Prairie Dog Funding (direct distribution)	9,514,479	2,500,000	820,664	2,500,000	820,664	2,500,000	820,664	
FLEX Fund (direct distribution)	1,035,877	288,024	288,024	288,024	288,024	288,024	288,024	
Transfer Cash from Street & Water Sales Tax Fund (2175)	1,953,591	500,000	-	-	-	-	-	
Interest Bonding Option	83,500	147,111	82,573	35,910	102,097	78,496	59,223	
Estimated Yearly Revenue	23,583,002	15,656,134	13,694,100	15,617,071	14,302,927	16,266,637	14,885,242	
Use of Bridge Reserve Cash (1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Est Carryover Beginning Yr	8,350,000	14,711,084	8,257,259	3,591,006	10,209,713	7,849,599	5,922,335	
<b>Available for Expenditure</b>	<b>31,933,002</b>	<b>30,367,218</b>	<b>21,951,359</b>	<b>19,208,077</b>	<b>24,512,640</b>	<b>24,116,236</b>	<b>20,807,577</b>	
<b>USES OF FUNDS:</b>								
<b>PRIORITY A</b>								
<b>ANNUAL NON-PROJECT OPERATING COSTS</b>								
Interdepartmental Charges/Federal Match	726,291	703,089	724,182	745,907	768,284	791,333	815,073	
Street Mtce (General Fund)	1,339,000	1,379,170	1,420,545	1,463,161	1,507,056	1,552,268	1,598,836	
Set Aside Reserve for Bridge/Underpass Project	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	
Transfer to 4815 Bond Reserve (1.25X Bond Payment)	-	437,500	1,000,000	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub-total Ongoing Obligations</b>	<b>2,165,291</b>	<b>2,619,759</b>	<b>3,244,727</b>	<b>2,309,069</b>	<b>2,375,341</b>	<b>2,443,601</b>	<b>2,513,909</b>	
<b>PRIORITY B</b>								
<b>PROJECTS WITH FEDERAL FUNDING (LOCAL SHARE ONLY)</b>								
<b>Regional Road Program</b>								
N 5th St (Gateway Dr to Demers Ave) Chip Seal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
32nd Ave (I-29 to Washington) CPR & Microseal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Sorlie Bridge Joint Replacement	15,227	-	-	-	-	-	-	
S Washington (Demers to Hammerling) Microseal	41,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Demers Ave (Central Fire Sta to 6th Ave N) CPR & Grind	-	210,000	-	-	-	-	-	
US 81 (US 2 to I-29)	-	-	86,826	-	-	-	-	
Traffic Signal Replacement (US 2 at 42nd, Washington, Mill Rd)	-	-	-	50,000	-	-	-	
Gateway Dr (Red River to I-29) CPR & Grind	-	-	-	50,000	-	-	-	
N Washington St (1st Ave N to 8th Ave N)	-	-	-	-	1,300,000	-	-	
US 2/Gateway Dr (I-29 to N 55th St) CPR & Grind	-	-	-	-	50,000	-	-	
S Washington St (Demers to Hammerling) Reconstruct	-	-	-	-	1,580,000	-	-	
Future Regional Project TBD (2030)	-	-	-	-	-	500,000	-	
<b>Urban Roads Program</b>								
(Use of Bridge Reserve Funds) (1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Point Bridge Rehabilitation	-	230,000	-	-	-	-	-	
S 48th St (15th Ave S to 17th Ave S)	-	-	-	-	3,185,000	-	-	
S 48th St (11th Ave S to 15th Ave S)	-	-	-	-	-	1,870,000	-	
S 48th St (7th Ave S to 11th Ave S)	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,850,000	
S 48th St (Demers Ave to 7th Ave S)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,800,000
<b>Urban Grant Program</b>								
N 4th St (1st Ave N to 2nd Ave N)	700,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	
N 4th St (2nd Ave N to University Ave)	-	-	100,000	702,845	-	-	-	
Future Urban Grant Program Project TBD (2030)	-	-	-	-	-	600,000	-	
<b>Transportation Alternative Program</b>								
Bikepath Development	100,000	100,000	100,000	150,000	100,000	150,000	100,000	
<b>Highway Safety Improvement Program</b>								
Speedminder Signs	4,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	
S Washington St & 28th Ave S Turn Lane Extension	15,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	
US 2/Gateway Dr & N Columbia Rd Intersection Improvements	-	300,000	300,000	-	-	-	-	
US 2/Gateway Dr & N 43rd St Intersection Improvements	-	-	125,000	-	-	-	-	
S Columbia Rd & 24th Ave S Intersection Improvements	-	-	160,000	150,000	-	-	-	
S Columbia Rd & 28th Ave S Intersection Improvements	-	-	160,000	150,000	-	-	-	
Future HSIP Project TBD (2029)	-	-	-	-	300,000	-	-	
Future HSIP Project TBD (2030)	-	-	-	-	-	300,000	-	
Future HSIP Project TBD (2031)	-	-	-	-	-	-	300,000	
<b>Flexible Transportation Fund</b>								
47th Ave S (S Columbia Rd to S 34th St)	-	1,331,000	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>EDA Disaster Relief Program</b>								
70th Ave N (N Washington St to 1/2 Mile W of 55th)	430,000	1,100,000	-	-	-	-	-	
<b>Safe Streets and Roads For All Program</b>								
Reconstruct 4th Ave S (Walnut St to Belmont Rd)	-	-	200,000	-	-	-	-	
Reconstruct Intersection of 4th Ave S & Belmont - Roundabout	-	-	300,000	-	-	-	-	
Reconstruct Chestnut St (4th Ave S to 5th Ave S)	-	-	120,000	-	-	-	-	
<b>Sub-total Projects With Federal Funding</b>	<b>1,305,227</b>	<b>3,271,000</b>	<b>1,651,826</b>	<b>1,252,845</b>	<b>6,515,000</b>	<b>3,420,000</b>	<b>2,750,000</b>	<b>1,800,000</b>
<b>PRIORITY C</b>								
<b>OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE</b>								
Bikeway Capital & Mtce	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	
Industrial Park Rehabilitation	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	
<b>Street Maintenance</b>								
Traffic Signal Maintenance/Controllers	198,700	202,700	206,800	211,000	215,000	219,000	223,000	
Minor Street Repairs	360,000	370,000	377,000	385,000	393,000	401,000	409,000	
Maintenance of Street Lights	136,100	140,900	143,800	147,000	150,000	153,000	156,000	
Minor Intersection Improvements	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	
Diamond Grade Reflectivity	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	
ADA Sidewalks	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	
Replacement Batteries	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	
LED Street Light Replacement Program	-	60,000	-	60,000	-	60,000	-	
Arterial Street Lightning Maintenance (Conductors and Fixtures)	100,000	-	100,000	-	100,000	-	100,000	
Centrac Traffic Signal Software Renewal	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	
Pavement Management	50,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	50,000	10,000	10,000	
Intelligent Transportation System	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000	
Transportation Studies & Consulting Assistance	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000	
Quiet Zone Redundancy	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	
<b>Bridge/Box Culvert Rehabilitation</b>								
Bridge GF-08 University Ave/English Coulee	30,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Bridge GF-11 Cherry St/South End Drainway	35,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Bridge GF-14 6th Ave N/English Coulee	-	250,000	-	-	-	-	-	
Bridge GF-16 S 34th St/English Coulee	110,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Bridge 18-136-18.0 N 69th St/English Coulee Diversion	60,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,500,000
Bridge 18-137-17.0 N 55th St/English Coulee Diversion	80,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Engineering Design Services for 2029 Bridge Projects	-	-	-	75,000	-	-	-	
Bridge GF-10 S Washington St/49th Ave S	-	-	-	-	80,000	-	-	
Bridge GF-07 27th Ave N/English Coulee	-	-	-	-	-	80,000	-	
Bridge GF-05 Mill Rd/English Coulee	-	-	-	-	-	80,000	-	
Bridge GF-04 17th Ave S/English Coulee	-	-	-	-	-	80,000	-	