



City of Grand Forks  
Staff Report

Committee of the Whole – April 13, 2026  
City Council – April 20, 2026

**APPROVED & ACCEPTED**  
by City Council

04/20/2026

*Maureen Storstad*  
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City Auditor

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**Agenda Item:** Plans and Specifications for City Project No. 9057.01 – Paving 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. S. (S.42<sup>nd</sup> St. to Altru Sports Complex)

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**Submitted by:** Engineering Department, Shane Duchscher, PE (Civil Engineer, Principal)  
Engineering Department, Edward Liberman, PE (Assistant City Engineer)

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**Staff Recommended Action:** **Approve Plans and Specifications and direct Engineering Department to advertise for construction bids for Project No. 9057.01 - Paving 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. S. (S. 42<sup>nd</sup> St. to Altru Sports Complex)**

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**Committee Recommended Action:** Motion by Fridolfs, second by Vein to move staff recommendation to City Council with a recommendation to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

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**Council Action:**

Motion by Sande, second by Lunski to approve staff recommendation.  
Motion passed unanimously on consent agenda.

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**BACKGROUND:**

The work of this project will consist of installing a new concrete roadway starting at South 42<sup>nd</sup> Street extending to the western Altru Sports Complex access. In addition to the proposed construction of the new street, new storm sewer, streetlights, bikepath and sidewalk will be installed. This project will also include the installation of new signals at S. 42<sup>nd</sup> St. with modifications to allow for a full intersection. This project is being proposed to be 100% City funded from Fund 4815 in support of the development of the new Altru Sports Complex.

This project is being proposed as a multiyear construction project due to the long lead time associated with the traffic signals located at S. 42<sup>nd</sup> St. and 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. S. The existing traffic signal poles are reaching the end of their service life and the mast arms of two of the traffic signals are too short to be used with the proposed lane configuration. It is anticipated that the new signal poles and mast arms will not be available in 2026 which will not allow for a fully operational intersection until this work can be completed. The remaining work planned for completion in 2027 will include the installation of the new signals and modifications along with the relocation and installation of bikepath and sidewalk connections at this intersection. Traffic patterns will be

impacted during the installation of the new poles. The project is being proposed to limit the time allowed for the 2027 work to be able to get the intersection fully operational as quickly as possible.

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

- The work of this project is currently proposed to consist of constructing an 8” concrete street on 12” aggregate base from S. 42<sup>nd</sup> St. to the Altru Sports Complex access, including installation of new storm sewer, bikepath, sidewalk, ADA curb ramps, street lighting, striping, signing, signal installation, and other miscellaneous work.
- The current Engineer’s Estimate for this project is \$1,700,000.
- Funding for this project is from the Street and Infrastructure Fund 4815 where a total of \$1,800,000 has been budgeted in 2026.
- This project is not protestable as it is being proposed to be 100% City funded.
- Approval of the Bids is currently scheduled for the 5/26/26 Committee of the Whole and the 6/1/26 Council.
- The majority of construction is anticipated to take place during the 2026 construction season with signal installation and remaining bikepath to be completed in the 2027 construction season.

### **SUPPORT MATERIALS:**

- Project Location Map, and Timetable (2 pages)
- 2026 City Budget indicating funding source for this project (1 page)

# PROJECT LOCATION MAP GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA

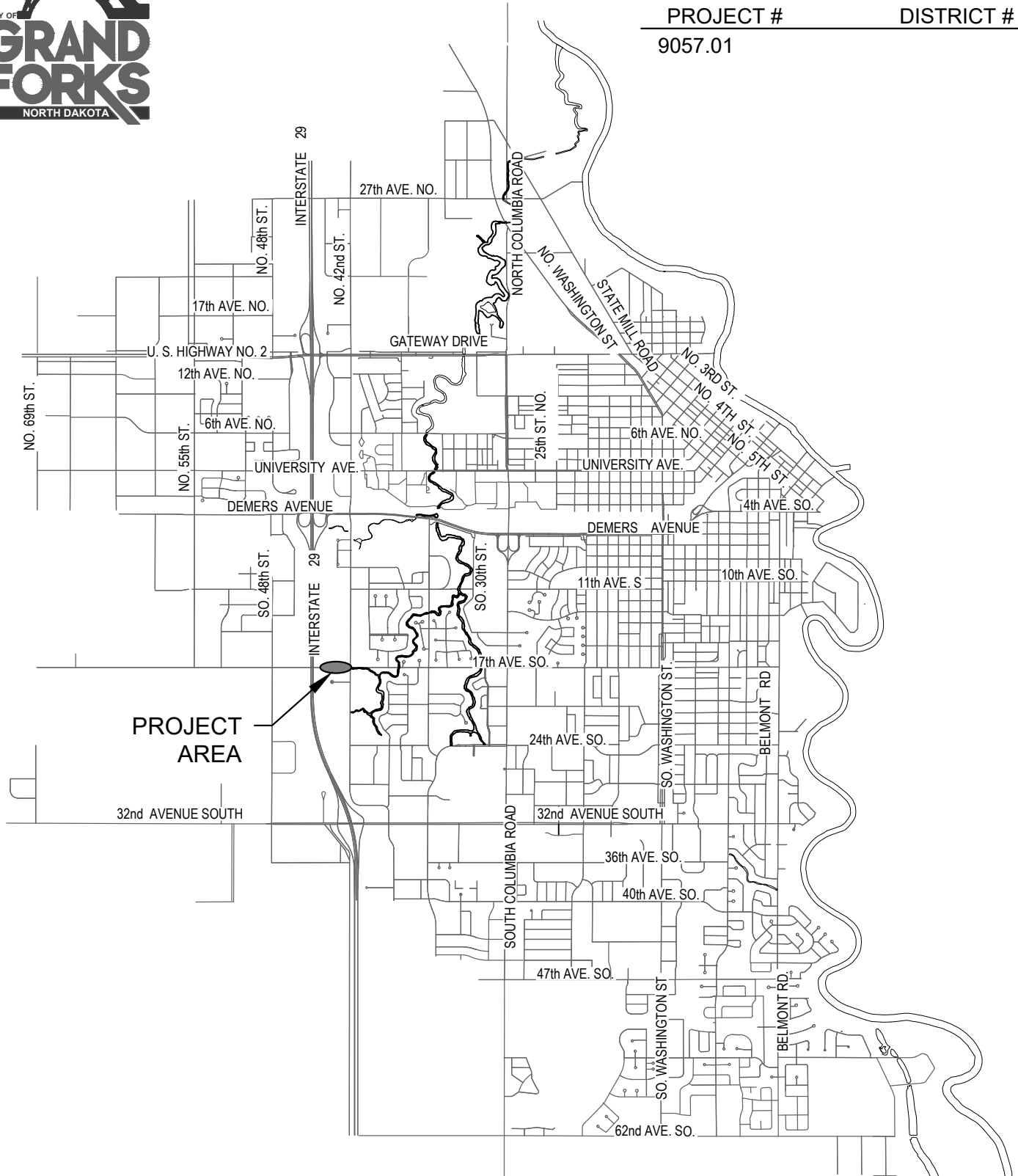
PAVING 17TH AVE S  
(S 42ND ST TO ASC)



PROJECT #

DISTRICT #

9057.01



## TIMETABLE FOR PROJECT

Project Name PAVING 17<sup>TH</sup> AVE S (S 42<sup>ND</sup> ST TO ASC)

Project Number 9057.01

District No. \_\_\_\_\_

- Paving
- Street Lighting
- Other **STORM SEWER**

This timetable prepared by SAD

Date 4/6/26

Revised by \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Action	Date of Action			Approved
	Other	Committee	Council	
Approval of plans & specs. Direct engineering to advertise for construction bids.		4/13/26	4/20/26	We are Here
**Advertisement for bids prepared.	4/23/26			
*Advertisement for bids published.	4/29/26			
Discuss Project. (Optional)				
***Bids received, opened & tabulated.	5/21/26			
#Recommend award of contract.		5/26/26		
Awarding Contract			6/1/26	

\*Responsibility of Finance & Administrative Services Office

\*\*Responsibility of Engineering Department.

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#If bids are more than 25% higher than engineers estimate, Finance & Administrative Services Office will notify property owners and protest period will be extended 2 weeks.



# Street/Infrastructure Fund

G/L Account	Account Description	2023 Amended Budget	2023 Actual Amount	2024 Amended Budget	2024 Actual Amount	2025 Adopted Budget	2026 Adopted Budget	
Fund 4815 - Street/Infrastructure Fund								
	Council Adopted					1.0000	350,000.00	350,000.00
4815.100.650.0010	Council Adopted					1.0000	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	1,331,000.00	1,331,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	1,100,000.00	1,100,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	1,800,000.00	1,800,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	100,000.00	100,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	100,000.00	100,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	250,000.00	250,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	210,000.00	210,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	87,500.00	87,500.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	50,000.00	50,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	90,000.00	90,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	4,500,000.00	4,500,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	60,000.00	60,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	525,000.00	525,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	542,500.00	542,500.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	10,000.00	10,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	230,000.00	230,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	50,000.00	50,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	100,000.00	100,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	154,000.00	154,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	966,000.00	966,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	420,000.00	420,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	168,000.00	168,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	819,000.00	819,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	833,600.00	833,600.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	80,000.00	80,000.00
	Council Adopted					1.0000	300,000.00	300,000.00