



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS

4/29/2025 - Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of City Commissioners met on April 29, 2025, at 5:15 PM in the Tom Baker Meeting Room, City/County Office Building, 221 North Fifth Street, Bismarck, North Dakota. Commissioners Connelly, Cleary, Risch, and Zenker and Mayor Schmitz were present.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSION

AGENDA

1. Capital Improvements Plan for the Bismarck Event Center discussion.

Jeff Ubl, with Übl Design Group, attended the meeting to answer questions the Commission had regarding the Capital Improvements Plan presented at the April 22, 2025, meeting.

- [Capital Improvement Plan](#)

Dmitriy Chernyak, City Finance Director, presented a financial forecasting model for the initial Capital Improvement Project cost.

- [2025 BEC Financial Presentation](#)

Commissioner Zenker moved to develop a request for proposals (RFP) to secure an Indefinite Quantities Indefinite Delivery (IDIQ) contract, and Commissioner Cleary seconded. Upon a roll call vote, Commissioners Cleary, Risch, Zenker, and Mayor Schmitz voted aye. Commissioner Connelly voted nay. M/C.

2. Management & Operations study for the Bismarck Event Center discussion.

The Commission began the meeting with a discussion based on the [Management & Operations Study](#) presented at the April 22, 2025, City Commission meeting. The general consensus of the group was to have JLL do the following:

1. Develop the process for establishing an authority board
2. Develop a job description for a director that is City employed while retaining current staff
3. Develop a model of what hiring a third-party management company while retaining current staff would look like.

ADJOURN

There being no further items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:31 PM.

