

Greenway Technical Committee
Meeting Notes
Tuesday, November 10, 2009
Grand Forks Park District Office, 1210-7th Ave. S. Grand Forks, ND
10:30 am- Noon

Lonny Winrich
Tom Reiten
Marty Berg, ND Game & Fish
Dave Aker, City of EGF
Melanie Parvey, City of GF

Dave Manthei, GF Fire
Teri Kouba, MPO
Roxanne Achman, GF Planning
Kim Greendahl, City of GF

I. Old Business

- a. **Eagle Scout project in Sunbeam area:** The work on this project has been completed and a notice has been sent to the local media. Alan has done an interview with WDAZ and the Herald will be doing a feature story on the project.

II. New Business

- a. **Special request form and process:** All the managing agencies continue to receive ideas and suggestions from the public for development and improvements to the Greenway. A form has been developed to provide a system of tracking and recording these requests. After a request form has been submitted the Greenway Technical Committee staff will review and assess the request to determine if the project fits within the mission of the Greenway or might be better suited somewhere else in the community.
- b. **Snowmobile and cross country ski routes in GF portion of Greenway:** Signs have been placed along most of the ski route to designate it for skiing and not snowmobiles. The snowmobile club will be signing the snowmobile route from the Sorlie Bridge north to beyond the city limits.
- c. **Greenway & Trail Users Advisory Group update:** Agenda items include reports from the planners of the Extreme ND adventure race and the Christmas bird count. Other items include bike racks and winter events.

III. Other

- a. None

IV. Greenway Agency Updates

- a. **City of East Grand Forks:** Dave is submitting an application for funding to reroute the bike trail in the LaFave Park area. He is proposing to abandon the trail along the river and provide better connections closer to the levee. The Greenway & Trail Users Group is giving a letter of support for the application.
- b. **MN DNR:** No report
- c. **Grand Forks Park District:** Crews are starting the preparations for the outdoor rinks.
- d. **City of Grand Forks:** Melanie will be giving an update at the November 17 Public Service Safety committee meeting about special request form and the winter trail plans.
- e. **GF Police:** Patrol has been updated about the snowmobile and cross country ski sign plan.
- f. **MPO:** The bike and pedestrian long range planning not ready yet because there are issues with ND DOT that need to be resolved before comments can be taken.

V. Next Greenway Technical Committee meeting: January 12, 2010 – 10:30 am at Grand Forks Park District, 1210 7th Avenue South

Submitted by: Kim Greendahl, Greenway Specialist, City of Grand Forks

Greenway Technical Committee AGENDA

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- VI. Introductions**
- VII. Old Business**
 - b. Eagle Scout project in Sunbeam area**
- VIII. New Business**
 - a. Special request form and process**
 - b. Snowmobile and cross country ski routes in GF portion of Greenway**
 - c. Greenway & Trail Users Advisory Group update**
- IX. Greenway Agency Updates**
- X. Other**
- XI. Next Greenway Technical Committee meeting: January 12, 2010 – 10:30 am at Grand Forks Park District, 1210 7th Avenue South**
- XII. Adjournment**

Upcoming events & meetings:

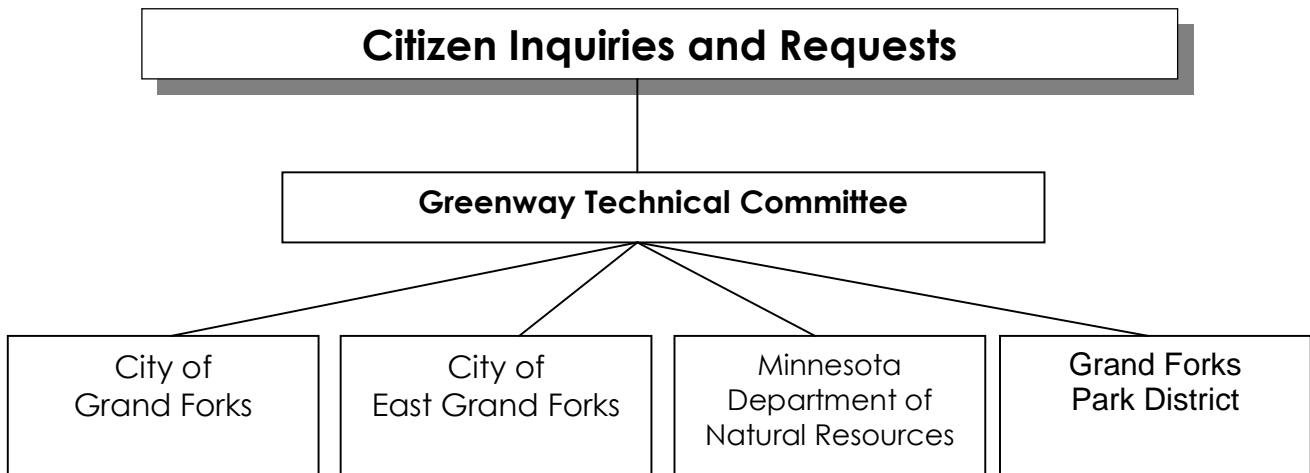
- Greenway and Recreational Trail Advisory Group meeting: Tuesday, November 10 at 7 pm at the GF Park District, 1210 7th Avenue South – all Greenway Technical Committee are welcome
- Christmas in the Park, Lincoln Drive Park November 27 – December 31. Fees apply
- Santa's Village, Lincoln Golf clubhouse, December 10 -13 and 17 – 20 Free and open to the public
- For information on activities and events happening in the Greenway, visit www.grandforksgov.com/greenway.



Thank you for your interest in the Greenway. With over 2,200 acres of natural space, the Greenway provides a wide variety of recreational, educational and environmental benefits to Greater Grand Forks residents and visitors.

Each year we receive many requests for new facilities or improvements to existing facilities. Many factors go into the decision making process, first and foremost being the role as a floodplain.

Once you have submitted a completed form, you may be asked to present an overview of your project idea to the Greenway Technical Committee for consideration. The Greenway Technical Committee is comprised of representatives of the four managing agencies as well as other parties interested in the development of the Greenway. Meetings are held at 10:30 am on the second Tuesday of every month. After reviewing the request the committee will determine whether the project is feasible within the Greenway and if so, which agency will handle the request. That agency will then guide the request through the proper channels of their organization.



Greenway Project Request Form

Contact name	
Address	
City	State & zip
Phone	
Email address	
Is this request: <input type="checkbox"/> One time event <input type="checkbox"/> New installation <input type="checkbox"/> Improvement to existing facility	
Brief summary of request:	
Support for the activity or facility. How many people typically participate in this activity, is there a user group established in the area, etc.:	
What is needed to facilitate this project? Space, structures, etc? Please attach a diagram of the proposed layout of the activity or facility, if appropriate.	
What, if any, costs are associated with this project?	
How will these expenses be paid? Fundraisers, sponsor, etc.	

Does this project require ongoing maintenance? If so, who will maintain the facility?
Will this event or facility be open to the public?
Does this activity or facility involve the use of harmful chemicals, excavation or fire? If so, please describe.

Please submit this completed form and other supporting documents to be considered to:

Greenway Manager
City of Grand Forks
P.O. Box 5200
Grand Forks, ND 58208-5200
701-738-8746

For office use	Date received	
Received by:		
Attachments:		



**The Greenway Technical Committee
Project and Special Request Assessment Form**

PROPOSAL DETAILS	
Project name:	
Proposed location:	
Submitted by:	
Desired start date:	
Is this request: <input type="checkbox"/> One time event <input type="checkbox"/> New installation <input type="checkbox"/> Improvement to existing facility	

REVIEW OF POTENTIAL IMPACTS				
YES	NO	UNK	N/A	Will or does this project, activity or special event:
				Have support from a significant number of users?
				Enhance or compete with a similar activity already offered somewhere else in the GGF community?
				Introduce a new kind of recreational activity to the Greenway?
				Significantly change the level of public use?
				Be located near a heavily populated residential area?
				Be self funded?
				Require ongoing maintenance by agency staff?
				Require a change to the Greenway plan?
				Compromise greenway rules or city ordinances?
				Jeopardize needs described in other plans?
				Contribute to cumulative effects with other proposals or projects?
				Likely generate significant public opposition or controversy?
				Take place in an area that is relatively undisrupted?
				Impede the function of the Greenway as a floodplain?
				Involve development or modifications of wetlands, protected waters or water control structures?
				Introduce an organism(s) which is different genetically or species-wise from those presently or historically occurring in the Greenway?
				Affect any known archaeological, historical or cultural site?
				Involve habitat loss, alteration or fragmentation or land use changes such as planting, burning, grazing, clearing or water manipulation?
				Include the use of chemical toxicants?
				Affect any known federal or state listed species, other rare species or any designated or proposed natural or scenic waterway, wilderness area, State Natural Areas, Natural Heritage Registry site, significant natural community or private land?
				Disturb soil or result in soil erosion, deposit, compaction, and/or loss of sod or ground cover?
				Have a greater impact under certain weather conditions, especially rainy or wet conditions?
				Affect research activities or monitoring plots?

				Require permits from other agencies?
				Likely require temporary or permanent mitigation measures?
				Have any natural/cultural resource impacts not listed above?

IMPORTANT: Completion of the application assessment for the proposed project/action/special request does not constitute approval for the project to begin. Approval for the request to move ahead will be provided by the Greenway Technical Committee staff.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND SUPPORT DOCUMENTS
Concerns – Describe concerns regarding application information:
Information sources & field review: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - List dates and names of information sources (individuals & written) consulted in this process. - List significant native plant communities, rare species, cultural resources or other important natural/cultural elements which could be impacted.
Recommended course of action:
List all permits required:

Greenway Technical Committee staff recommendation:

- Proposal accepted. Applicant will be informed to work with designated agency for further assistance. Designated agency: _____
- Proposal denied for the following reasons: _____

- Proposal incomplete or requires more information. Staff will work with applicant to clarify the application.

Signed by Greenway Technical Committee Chairperson

Date