



April 29, 2022

Re: Grand Forks 125th Anniversary

Dear Mayor and Council,

The Grand Forks 125th Committee is pleased to share some details of the upcoming celebration for the City's 125th Anniversary along with a few requests to assist us in our planning of this momentous event.

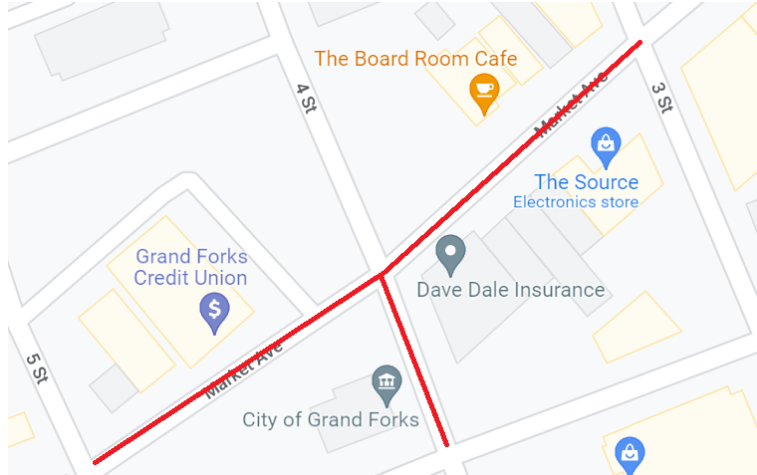
The Committee has decided to plan a Community BBQ and Dance, followed by fireworks (weather and conditions permitting). We would like to host the event downtown, a celebration around City Hall in the heart of our community. The event will take place on Friday, September 2nd.

We are currently working with Grand Forks Fire Rescue as well as the Grand Forks & District Fall Fair to collaborate on events taking place that weekend. Other groups involved are Boundary Museum Society, Downtown Business Association, Grand Forks Rotary, Chamber of Commerce, and we are reaching out to others as the event details come together. We are currently seeking sponsorships to make this a free event for everyone.

Our ask to Mayor and Council at this time is as follows;

Permission to close Market Ave from 5th -3rd Street, and 4th Street from Market Ave to 72nd (see diagram). We would like the event closure to happen by 2 pm on Friday, September 2, and it would be re-opened by 11 pm that evening.

Permission to use the park adjacent to City Hall (Lois Hagen Park) for event-related activities during the same time period.



We will work with local businesses and city staff for this closure. In this area we will have the Boundary Bandits car display, Grand Forks Fire Rescue will be doing their Ladder-a-Thon, and of course a BBQ along with live music. We have also approached the Grand Forks Credit Union for use of a portion of their parking lot for the event.

I have spoken with Mr. Redfearn, who has confirmed that all current activities will be covered by the city's insurance.

Thank you for your support as we continue forward with Grand Forks 125th!

Sincerely,

Sarah Dinsdale
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City of Grand Forks 125th Planning Committee