SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS

May 17, 2011

The Board of City Commissioners met in special session at 5:00PM on Tuesday May 17, 2011 in meeting room B of the Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library, 515 N. 5th Street in Bismarck, ND. Present were President Warford, and Commissioners Askvig and Grossman.

President Warford announced the sole item of business would be the Strategic Planning Project – Community Stakeholder Input/Feedback Regarding "Draft" Vision Statement.

President Warford and Commissioner Askvig provided a brief review of the Strategic Planning Project activity and Vision Statement process conducted by the City Commission on May 12, 2011. The outcome of that process was a "draft" vision statement:

"Bismarck is a preferred destination place and community where people enjoy living, working, playing, and learning. We strive to be a safe, innovative, well-educated community that provides prudent, prosperous economic opportunity for our diverse and culturally engaged citizens. Our efforts to embrace our rich heritage, natural resources, and lifelong learning empower our ability to cultivate a healthy, unique and sustainable environment fostering ownership and opportunity for all. We are a dynamic people looking to the future."

Commissioner Askvig asked the audience what they thought of the "draft" vision statement. The audience responses were captured on chart paper for future consideration, review, and use by the City Commission and the strategic planning project team.

President Warford and Commissioner Askvig thanked those in attendance for sharing their feedback, input and thoughts about the "draft" vision statement.

Having completed the items on the agenda, President Warford declared the meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM.