



## *Community Development Department*

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**FROM:** Ben Ehreth, AICP, Community Development Director

**ITEM:** Community Development Activities Map

### **REQUEST**

The Community Development and GIS departments have released a map showing all development projects that are currently in review or recently approved, highlighting projects that have public hearings scheduled.

Please place this item on the April 13, 2021 City Commission meeting agenda.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Community Development Activities Map is a new tool available to encourage public participation in Bismarck's planning and development process. The online map shows all planning projects, including subdivisions, rezonings, annexations and others, that are currently in review by the City.

Once an application is submitted, the project will show up on the map with basic information and contact information for the staff project manager. As the project proceeds through the process, more information is added to the map. Applications that have upcoming public hearings are highlighted with a notice of the date of the hearing. After a project is approved, it will remain on the map in a different color for two years with project information available. Recently approved building permits and site plans will also be shown.

The map enables residents and businesses within Bismarck to see development proposals in areas of interest to them. This information source will supplement, but not replace, current public notification methods, such as mailed letters and newspaper advertisements.

The map is currently available on the city website in the GIS Map Gallery or through the following link: <https://arcg.is/1feLur0>. A link will also be posted from the Community Development page to direct users to the projects.

## **RECOMMENDED CITY COMMISSION ACTION**

Receive update on the Community Development Activities Map

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