



## **City of Bismarck Social Media Terms of Use**

### **Purpose**

The City of Bismarck (the “City”) and its various departments utilize social media to share information regarding City business with the general public. In an effort to promote appropriate information exchange with community members, the City welcomes and encourages posts and comments that are related to specific content posted on the social media accounts.

### **Terms of Use**

When engaging with the City of Bismarck through social media, the user agrees and consents to the following terms.

User will not post or message:

- Language encouraging breaking any law or encouraging a breach of the peace, or public order.
- Graphic, obscene or explicit comments or submissions.
- Language that is threatening, or that suggests or encourages illegal activity.
- Profile pictures or avatars, usernames or e-mail addresses that violate the terms of use.
- Solicitations or advertisements. This includes promotion or endorsement of any financial, commercial or non-governmental agency.
- Content in violation of NDCC Chapter 16.1-10-02, which prohibits the use of state or political subdivision services or property for political purposes.
- Information intended to compromise the safety or security of the public or public systems.
- Content that reveals personal, medical or financial information of any individual that is not otherwise part of the public record.

Additional Information:

- Content should be related to the subject matter.
- Participation is at the user’s risk.
- Take personal responsibility for comments.
- All comments or direct messages are subject to the open records law.
- The appearance of external links on this site does not constitute official endorsement on behalf of the City of Bismarck.
- Social media sites not specifically established in accordance with the City of Bismarck Social Media Policy are not representations of the City.
- Unauthorized use of the City of Bismarck logo or any City Department logo is a violation of law.
- The City is not responsible for any content posted to unauthorized sites.

First violation of the Terms of Use will result in the message(s) being removed. If inappropriate content is posted a second time, an administrator will block the user from posting to the site. This forum is not monitored at all times. Do NOT use this forum to report emergency situations or time-sensitive issues.