

Contract No. 002-031
“Downtown River Access for Grand Forks Greenway”
 Submitted by City of Grand Forks
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PARTICIPANTS

Sponsor	Cost Share
City of Grand Forks	<u>\$ 25,000</u>
Subtotal Cash Cost Share	\$25,000
Final Cash Cost Share	\$38,085
North Dakota Industrial Commission	<u>\$ 75,000</u>
Total Project Cost	\$100,000
Final Total Project Cost	\$113,085

Project Schedule – 3 months	Project Deliverables:
Contract Date – 8/7/14	Status Report: July 15, 2014 ✓
Start Date –	Final Report: 9/30/14 ✓
Completion Date – 9/30/14	

OBJECTIVE/STATEMENT OF WORK:

This project will replace the access path down to the river with the installation of concrete stairs, removable railing, concrete platforms and bank stabilization.

STATUS:

Contract 002-031 - Executed

9/05/14 - Formal status report has not been sent but a short message stated that they could have part of the river access project done this fall. It appears it will be next summer before the access is complete and the boathouse up and running.

9/14 - A status report was received stating that the initial plan was to place a concrete stairway with platforms and a removable railing at the site right below the Boathouse. After further review of the area, the local consultant, CPS, Ltd. proposed a site a few hundred feet from the Boathouse. This site was recommended as it would allow us to work with the existing bank making the access ADA accessible. One goal was to allow access to the river throughout the season with the adjusting levels of the water. Utilizing this site would allow all ages and abilities to access and enjoy the river. (A copy of the full report with the attached revised design is posted on the website.)

12/14 - A status report was received 12/16/14 stating: This summer a portable boathouse was placed near the river downtown in the Grand Forks, ND Greenway. The boathouse offers rental opportunities for canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards for use on the Red River. This new service highlighted the need for a safe, easy method for accessing the river. The riverbank near the boathouse is steep and muddy, which can be difficult to navigate. The City of Grand Forks worked with a local engineering firm to design a concrete trail from the boathouse to a suitable site along the river. This trail was designed as an extension off an existing trail and is 340' in length. The trail was designed to provide safe, easy access to the riverbank for people of all skills and abilities. The trail is built of concrete to provide a stable foundation for city crews to drive equipment to the site of a future docking system. It isn't just

river users that benefit from this new trail. Many Greenway users appreciate the view of the river and its natural setting. Future plans include seating areas, shelters, and other amenities for enjoyment in this scenic setting. The costs for this project exceed the original estimate of \$100,000. The City of Grand Forks provided additional funding to cover this increase in cost and finished the project. (Pictures of the work are posted on the website) Copies of the receipts for expenses on this project are available in the Commission files.)

This project is now complete.

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