

BEMIDJI CITY COUNCIL

Work Session Agenda

Monday, September 8, 2014

**City Hall
Council Chambers
5:30 P.M.**



1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

2. CONSIDER REQUEST TO "DRESS" PAUL BUNYAN – SHRINER'S

3. CONTINUE STRATEGIC PLANNING/VISIONING SESSION

4. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: All cellular telephones, pagers and BlackBerry devices to be switched to a non-audible function during Council and Committee meetings.

SEP - 4 2014

CITY OF BEMIDJI
REQUEST TO "DRESS" PAUL AND/OR BABE



PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE:

NAME OF APPLICANT LARRY N. McCONEY

NAME OF ORGANIZATION (if applicable) INTERNATIONAL SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN/HEADWATERS SHRINE CLUB.

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COMMUNITY EVENT SHRINE BOWL PARADE/BSU FOOTBALL GAME

DESCRIBE ITEM(S) TO BE PLACED AND LOCATION* A LARGE SHRINERS "FEZ" THE EMBLEM OF SHRINERS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

DATE OF EVENT 9/12-13/2014

DATE TO REMOVE 9/15/2014

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT / PURPOSE: *Must be a significant community event or accomplishment.*

18th ANNUAL BSU SHRINE BOWL PARADE & GAME./ TO DRAW ATTENTION TO OUR ANNUAL SCREENING CLINIC FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES AND TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE SHRINE HOSPITAL IN MINNEAPOLIS.

Signature [Handwritten Signature]

Date 9/4/14

*No item(s) that may damage the Historical statues will be allowed.

Date Request Received	<u>9/4/14</u>	By	<u>[Handwritten Signature]</u>
City Council Reviewed on	<u>9/8/14</u>	Approved / Denied	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant Notified			

cc: Parks Department

Permission to Dress Paul or Babe Form

(SEE ATTACHMENTS)

September 2014



**Shriners Hospitals
for Children®**
Love to the rescue®

**COMPLIMENTARY SCREENING
APPOINTMENTS FOR CHILDREN
WITH ANY BONE, MUSCLE,
OR JOINT CONDITIONS**

**Friday, September 12
9:30am - 3pm**

**Sanford Hospital Orthopaedics Building
1300 Anne Street NW
Bemidji, MN 56601**

**To schedule an appointment, contact
Robert "Bob" Melchior at:**

218.751.1399

Appointments requested but walk-ins are welcome



Shrine Bowl activities on September 13 are as follows:

2:00pm Parade

6:00pm Football game:


Bemidji State vs. University of Sioux Falls

Love
turns patients
back into kids.



City Manager's Office

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council
FROM: John Chattin, City Manager 
DATE: September 8, 2014
RE: Visioning Work Session

The council has had many priority setting sessions establishing a variety of short term goals for our various departments. The idea of having the council and staff define their visions beyond next year was, in part, to force a longer term outlook for the city.

I have attached the following for your review:

- City of Bemidji's Vision, Mission, and Core Values
- 2015 Challenges Identified by Council
- Council Goals/Visions for the next 2 to 5 years
- Goals identified by Department Heads for 2015
- Categorical Areas of Operation

The council has a variety of ideas for what should be our priorities both now and into the future. My hope is that we can arrive at some consensus as to what will be our priorities within the various categories that we must deal with every day and how those priorities further the vision and mission of the city.

I look forward to a lively discussion between the council and department heads in creating a guide for our city's future.



The Vision of the City of Bemidji is:

Become an active, safe, and inclusive community

The Mission of the City of Bemidji is:

Provide essential services and fun for our regional community

The Core Values of the City of Bemidji are:

Communication – be open, consistent, truthful, and respectful in all communications

Ethics – maintain the highest standards of professional behavior

Civility – maintain an atmosphere of respect and civility

Stewardship – responsible and sustainable use of the City's limited resources

Creativity and Innovation – keep an open mind to new concepts and solutions

Leadership – advocate to further the vision of a quality community

2015 Challenges Identified by Council

Priority 1

Roads (4)
Reducing crime (2)
Maintain/improve streets, water, and sewer (4)
South shore swimming beach (3)
Sell south shore lots (2)

Priority 2

Infrastructure (4)
Planning for cost of annexation
Setting fiscal priorities and sticking to them (2)
Lake cleanup (3)
Meet south shore bond obligations without raising taxes (2)

Priority 3

Finance (2)
South shore park development and lake cleanup (3)
Resolve annexation lawsuit (2)
Sell land (2)
Adequately fund street projects (4)

Priority 4

Police (2)
Nelson-Reise arena repairs/new construction
Sanford Center deficit and leaking issues
More active event center
Develop rail corridor (2)

Priority 5

Rentals
Homelessness/Panhandlers/Detox
Public confidence in the way we govern
Develop rail corridor infrastructure (2)
Resolve Bemidji Township lawsuit (2)
Ability to meet land bond payments (2)

Council Goals/Visions for the Next 2 to 5 Years

- Increase employment opportunities
- Sell vacant city properties
- Rebuild relationship with Bemidji Township
- Develop railroad corridor infrastructure
- Staff/equipment to service annexed areas
- Prioritize spending
- Maintain our "home"
- Facility upgrades, i.e. liquor store, library, council chambers, arena
- Upgrade technology and online services
- Add staff in police, public works, communications, building maintenance
- Water, sewer, streets, WWTF upgrades
- Policies for fire district, street district, budgeting, water conservation, hospitality tax, Fire Marshal
- Improve WWTF
- Improve roads
- Community policing
- Residential/rental cleanup
- Resolve lawsuits
- South shore debt service
- South shore development/land sales
- South shore swimming beach
- South shore lake cleanup
- More active event center
- Prepare for Sanford Center CIP needs

Goals Identified by Department Heads for 2015

- Provide for public input through social media and website
- Complete trail corridor rights-of-way
- South shore lake cleanup
- Implement Honeywell project improvements
- Purchase a sanitary sewer televising system
- Establish a Fire Marshall position
- Reduce part 1 and 2 crimes
- Complete Paul Bunyan/Library Park redevelopment
- Improve online and social media presence
- Implement electronic time keeping system
- Increase liquor store sales

Categorical Areas of Operation

Public Works:

- Roads
- Infrastructure
- Maintain/improve streets, water, and sewer
- Adequately fund street projects
- Water, sewer, streets, WWTF upgrades
- Improve WWTF
- Purchase a sanitary sewer televising system

South Shore:

- South shore swimming beach
- Lake cleanup
- South shore park development and lake cleanup

Public Safety:

- Police
- Reducing crime
- Homelessness/panhandlers/detox
- Reduce part 1 and 2 crimes
- Community policing
- Establish a fire Marshall position

Economic Development:

- Sell south shore lots
- Sell land
- Develop rail corridor/infrastructure
- Increase employment opportunities

Fiscal Responsibility:

- Setting fiscal priorities and sticking to them
- Finance
- Meet south shore bond obligations without raising taxes
- Ability to meet land bond payments
- Planning for cost of annexation
- Prioritize spending
- Increase liquor store sales
- Sanford Center deficit
- Prepare for Sanford Center CIP needs

Legal:

- Resolve annexation lawsuit
- Resolve Bemidji Township lawsuit
- Sanford Center leaking issues
- Complete trail corridor rights-of-way

Political:

- Public confidence in the way we govern
- Rebuild relationship with Bemidji Township
- Policies for fire district, street district, budgeting, water conservation, hospitality tax, Fire Marshal

Technology:

- Upgrade technology and online services
- Provide for public input through social media and website
- Improve online and social media presence

Parks & Recreation:

- Neilson-Reise arena repairs/new construction
- Complete Paul Bunyan/Library Park redevelopment

Other:

- More active event center
- Maintain our home
- Residential/rental cleanup
- Facility upgrades, i.e. liquor store, library, council chambers, arena
- Add staff in police, public works, communications, building maintenance
- Implement electronic timekeeping