

FYI on NDR

National Disaster Resilience

March 2023



After a long time coming, construction is winding down at the new City Hall



The activity to relocate City Hall and the emergency dispatch center out of the flood inundation area and into the downtown area has been a long time coming. The need for a new City Hall location was identified more than eight years ago in Minot's NDR Action Plan; however, it was not one of the initially funded activities. Rather, HUD advised the city to first advance the projects and programs within its approved Action Plan connected to addressing the unmet needs of vulnerable populations. After meeting these requirements, the city submitted a waiver request to HUD on November 30, 2017, and the waiver was approved by HUD in the February 19, 2019, Federal Register. In 2020, Council moved forward with purchasing the former Wells Fargo building which would centralize city offices and services downtown.

Construction activities kicked off in early 2022 and having moved forward on schedule and on budget, it appears that city staff will take occupancy of the new City Hall in late April. Month after month throughout the past year, consistent progress has been made on the building's renovation. The latest construction efforts have included the installation of terrazzo flooring and carpeting throughout the facility; and the installation of decorative millwork on the central staircase handrailing. Window and various wood and acoustical paneling installation continues, as well as ongoing electrical and mechanical work. Contractors are currently focused on completing punch list items and cleaning the renovated building to make it ready for the upcoming transition.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

Acquisition Program

- Overall, the City of Minot has acquired 222 properties to date: 91 properties using NDR-CDBG funds and 131 properties using State Water Commission Funds; 8 properties included in the 91 NDR properties were partially funded with State Water Commission funds. These properties are needed for on-going or upcoming flood mitigation projects.
- The 2022 Round 1 demolition project has been completed. Twelve properties were demolished during the 2022 season. Overall, the City has demolished 163 properties, with 79 of those being funded by NDR-CDBG funds.

Affordable Housing

- Milton Young Towers (MYT) renovations continue to move forward in a timely fashion; so far, 147 apartments have been rehabilitated, with 23 more slated to be done by the end of March. Demolition activities on the final phase of apartment renovations is underway.
- Construction is complete on Park South II; final payment was approved at the last council meeting, but payment will not be distributed until outstanding compliance issues are cleared.
- Project BEE started construction at the Broadway Circle location. Currently, construction efforts are focused on the interior remodel of the existing commercial building, which will serve multiple purposes. In the spring, construction will begin on the 17-unit affordable housing complex.

Family Homeless Shelter

- Construction on the Family Homeless Shelter is underway; initial efforts are focused on the remodel of the commercial building to accommodate the community kitchen and food pantry. Work is progressing as anticipated. In the spring, construction will begin on the six-unit Family Homeless Shelter.

City Hall

- Construction is winding down at the new City Hall location; a punch list has been developed and the contractor is working on resolving issues. The project remains on schedule and on budget.

Center for Technical Education

- Construction on the CTE started in February; electrical and mechanical work are underway.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Reduce Flood Risk/ Improve Water Management

A. Buyouts / Acquisitions / Demolitions / Relocations

- a. Total Budget - \$21,085,967
- b. Spent to Date - \$20,962,458

Build Affordable Resilient Neighborhoods

A. Multi-Family Affordable Housing

- a. Total Budget - \$27,412,018
- b. Spent to Date - \$21,484,226

B. Single-Family Affordable Housing

- a. Total Budget - \$6,296,429
- b. Spent to Date - \$6,179,365

C. Family Shelter

- a. Total Budget - \$3,364,198
- b. Spent to Date - \$1,030,281

Foster Economic Resilience and Diversification

A. Center for Technical Education

- a. Total Budget - \$3,540,000
- b. Spent to Date - \$40,230

B. Relocate City Hall

- a. Total Budget - \$8,222,593
- b. Spent to Date - \$6,947,697

Administration

- a. Total Budget - \$2,965,450
- b. Spent to Date - \$2,437,362

Completed Projects

- Affordable Housing Supply & Demand Study
- Souris River Decision Support Tool
- Park South Renovations