

**News Release
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Dwaine Heinrich to Seek Re-Election as Jamestown Mayor

As we begin the new year, it is perhaps appropriate for me to advise the community of my plans as we enter into 2026 which of course is an election year. It is perhaps also proper to review just a bit in part the last nearly 8 years since I was first elected your Mayor.

The past eight years have brought floods, blizzards, a pandemic like none seen in the last 100 years, and most recently a major summer storm, all of which have taxed your city's resources. That through all of this we now sit in a more sound financial position than we were eight years ago is something I am proud of, but that is not what I am not most proud of looking back at the past eight years.

What I am most proud of is that our city business has been conducted with civility and respect among the city council, city staff, community partners, organizations, and this community as a whole. We have worked hard to create an awareness that we are a community and that business and issues are best addressed when working together rather than as a family of estranged relatives.

To name just a few items of interest over the past years, one would be the completion of the new 12th Avenue extension from 3rd St, a major traffic improvement. In addition, this year we hope to be able to complete replacement of the approximate \$9 million 96" storm sewer project south of I94 and east of US281. This old failing system has been like an albatross around the neck of Jamestown for many years. This project, because of thoughtful planning and working with State and Federal partners, will be completed without any of the \$9 million cost coming from locally generated taxes.

Working with another community partner, Jamestown Parks and Recreation Department, we were able to complete replacement of the bridges over the James River at the Klaus, McElroy, and Nickeus parks. Two of these bridges were 120 years old. About 50% of these costs will be covered by grants. This was a real need brought up by many in our community and completed only through cooperation with the Parks and Recreation Department and the North Dakota Department of Transportation.

It has been an honor to serve you as Mayor of Jamestown. **I will be asking for your vote one final time in June 2026 as this will be my last election campaign.** Your involvement in our community and continued support is both appreciated and heartwarming.

Thank you!

Dwaine Heinrich, Mayor
City of Jamestown, North Dakota