



BLACK HILLS BAGELS

913 MT RUSHMORE RD

RAPID CITY, SD 57701

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July 7, 2005

Growth Management Department
300 6th St.
Rapid City, SD 57701

Dear Planning Commission members:

Thank you for your consideration concerning potential impacts to businesses if an on-sale liquor license is granted to Catered Two Productions and Piece of Cake doing business at 901 Mt. Rushmore Road.

Black Hills Bagels is located next door at 913 Mt. Rushmore Road. As small business owners we understand the responsibilities to our customers, the nearby residential community and other businesses. Black Hills Bagels provides and maintains parking for the benefit of our customers throughout the year, including plowing and shoveling snow and debris. We also provide well-marked safe and easy handicap parking access as well as access into our building and restroom facilities. Our signage is maintained, attractive and does not detract from the surrounding neighborhood.

901 Mt. Rushmore Road does not provide parking for customers. Assuming on-sale liquor would mean more leisurely dining, a bigger burden would be placed on Black Hills Bagels customer parking.

There is virtually no pick-up and delivery access for 901 Mt. Rushmore Rd. except through Black Hills Bagels parking lot or to literally jump the curb and park on the sidewalk – both of which partially block access to Black Hills Bagels. It's inconvenient for Black Hills Bagels customers and it's a potentially dangerous situation for drivers along Mt. Rushmore Rd. as well as to pedestrians. Delivery and garbage trucks currently are driving over water and sewer shut-off valves to Black Hills Bagels. Beer and wine deliveries would compound the problem.

901 Mount Rushmore Rd. provides no handicap access as required under ADA, Title III enacted in 1992 and effective since 1993.

We are also concerned whether the license approval would allow video lottery now or in the future as well as the hours in which alcohol would be served. Dakota Middle School is a block and a half away and children use the crossing walk at that location to and from school.

We believe small business is good for everyone and we welcome businesses to the neighborhood. We also believe that laws/regulations and policies should be practiced by everyone to ensure a harmonious, aesthetically pleasing environment for residents, visitors, businesses and others. We ask you to deny the on-sale liquor license until parking, access, delivery/pick-up and garbage issues are properly addressed.

Sincerely,

Jack and Debra Jensen
Black Hills Bagels

SILVER MOUNTAIN COINS

909 MT. RUSHMORE RD.

RAPID CITY, S.D. 57701

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Dealer In Silver, Gold and Rare Coins

July 7, 2005

**Growth Management Department
30 6th St.
Rapid City, SD 57701**

Dear Commission members:

I have been doing business at Silver Mountain Coins, 909 Mt. Rushmore Rd for over two decades. I have watched as business after business, from retail to restaurants have opened and closed at 901 Mt. Rushmore Rd. The businesses either move or fail at least in part because of parking!

Each time a business opens, it's patrons use the Silver Mountain Coin and Black Hills Bagels customer parking lot because 901 Mt. Rushmore Rd. offers no parking. Every day, without fail, I must leave my shop and ask people who are not using our services to find parking elsewhere. On two occasions last week the drivers simply moved their car to the other end of our parking lot. The business owners and employees also use our parking lot to load and unload cakes and catering related items- they back up to and over the sidewalk and partially block our entrance into the parking lot. They also drive over the curb on top of water shut offs in order to get to their service entrance. Often they have two vehicles parked, which blocks the sidewalk .

Delivery trucks as well as the garbage truck backs up and over the curb and sidewalk and blocks our entrance. Wednesday about 10:00 a.m. the garbage truck blocked our driveway entrance and the sidewalk for about 10 minutes – a considerable amount of the liquid contents from the garbage containers spilled onto the sidewalk – leaving a sticky, smelly mess that attracts flies. I strongly object to the inconvenience and unattractiveness of the garbage containers in front of the business.

I assume the business will want additional signage to advertise their alcoholic beverages. I am concerned that the signs may block the signs for my long established business.

The proposed on-sale liquor license would pose a hardship for my business because of additional pressure from delivery and garbage trucks as well as other traffic. The burden would be on me to ensure my customers are able to conveniently access and park in the parking lot and walkways we maintain along with Black Hills Bagels.

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