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Pastor Greg Blanc
Calvary Church of the Black Hills
120 Knollwood Drive
Rapid City, South Dakota 57701

Re: Request for Exception to driveway approach separation.
West 250' of Lot 2, Hansen Heights Addition
320 East Saint Patrick Street

Dear Pastor Blanc:

The Request for Exception to Section 8.2 Design Criteria, of the City of Rapid City Street Design Criteria Manual, to allow a driveway approach separation of approximately seventy-five feet (75') in lieu of the minimum required separation of one hundred fifty feet (150') from the adjacent property to the east of the proposed Calvary Chapel Improvements is denied.

East Saint Patrick Street is classified as a principal arterial street with a posted speed limit of 35 mile per hour (MPH). Section 8.2.2 Driveway Approach Spacing (copy attached), paragraph A states: "For arterial and high volume collectors in commercial and industrial areas, an approach separation of two hundred feet (200') (61M) or more of full vertical curb is desirable. Where this spacing cannot be attained, acceptable minimum driveway approach spacing for streets serving greater than 5,000 vehicles per day are shown in Table 8.1." Table 8.1 indicates the minimum driveway approach spacing for streets with a 35 MPH speed limit is one hundred fifty feet (150'). The requested driveway separation of approximately 75' feet is half of the required minimum distance and does not provide adequate driveway separation for vehicles traveling along Saint Patrick Street to safely maneuver and access adjacent properties.



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The denial of this exception request may be appealed to the City Council by requesting it be placed on the next Public Works Committee agenda. Please contact the Growth Management Department if you desire to appeal. The City Council has final approval of exception requests.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ted Johnson", written in a cursive style.

Ted Johnson
Engineering Project Manager
Growth Management Department

Encl: As noted.