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MEMORANDUM

TO:

Rapid City Public Works Committee

FROM:

Ted Johnson, Engineering Project Manager

DATE:

October 24, 2007

RE:

Exception to Section 8.2 Design Criteria, of the City of Rapid City Street

Design Manual, to allow alternate driveway opening width. West 250' of Lot 2, Hansen Heights Addition, S6, T1N, R8E

320 East Saint Patrick Street

A request was submitted on October 23, 2007 requesting an exception to Section 8.2 Design Criteria, of the City of Rapid City Street Design Criteria Manual, to allow a driveway opening width of forty feet (40') in lieu of the maximum allowed driveway opening width of twenty-eight feet (28') for the proposed Calvary Chapel Improvements located at 320 East Saint Patrick Street.

The referenced property is located on the north side of East Saint Patrick Street just east of the intersection of East Saint Patrick Street and Elm Street. This property has two existing driveways on East Saint Patrick Street, with one driveway located at each side of the property.

Section 8.2.1, paragraph B, (copy attached) states: "In commercial and industrial areas, the driveway openings shall not be less than sixteen feet (16') (4.9 M) in width and no more than twenty-eight feet (28') 8.5 M) in width, exclusive of the taper." The requested driveway width of forty feet exceeds the maximum allowable width by approximately 43 percent and will not provide safe and orderly vehicle access to and from this property.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends denial of the request to allow an alternate driveway opening width in excess of the maximum allowed driveway width.

Attachments

