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Sent: Sun 8/23/2009 6:15 PM

To: Hanks Alan; Costello Aaron; Chapman Malcom; Kroeger Ron; LaCroix Lloyd; Waugh Bill; Olson Karen

Gundersen (City Council); Hadcock Deb; Kooiker Sam; Weifenbach Ron; Martinson Patti

Subject: North Rapid Civic Association position concerning Liquor License

Rapid City Mayor Alan Hanks and Council Persons:

We the officers of North Rapid Civic Association have had numerous calls and remarks from our members and some non members about the liquor license being considered at the corner of Haines and Lindberg street. Virtually all calls and remarks were against allowing a liquor license at this location. Although we have not had a meeting to consider this matter officially as of yet, the vast majority of our members and many non members appear to be against any concentration of this type of business in our area. We have also had contact with the Mahoney Addition Neighborhood Watch which also appears to be vastly against allowing a liquor license at this location. One of the most common comments we have heard is that this type of business seems to be associated with a high crime statistic and that adding anymore businesses of this type would add to an area already struggling to lower its crime rate. We respectfully ask that this liquor license be denied.

Sincerely;

Edward Trigg, NRCA President Alice McCoy, NRCA Vice President Patricia Pummel, NRCA Treasurer Peggy Pientok, NRCA Secretary From: LeClair Katie

Sent: Tue 9/1/2009 12:35 PM **To:** Public Works Committee Group **Cc:** Rippentrop Kay; Hanks Alan

Subject: Mickey Snook - Concern about possible casino on Haines

Good afternoon,

Mickey Snook called this morning and asked that I share his concerns about a possible casino on Haines Ave with the City Council. He said that there are problems with the casino that is already on Haines. Mr. Snook said that people walk down the street drunk and leave litter. He said that in the past people have also urinated and defecated in the neighborhoods when coming from the casino. Mr. Snook said that he hopes that the City Council will not support the proposed casino on Haines. Mr. Snooks phone number is 791-1953.

Thank you,

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Subject: Casinos on Haines Ave.

Dear Mayor and City Council members,

In reading today's RC Journal about the casinos wishing to go into the strip malls on Haines Ave., I felt I had to write you and let you know that the majority of the people living in North Rapid and near these areas Do Not want casinos in the strip malls.

Haines Ave. has a potential to really grow with good, decent businesses and to my way of thinking, casinos are not the type of businesses that we would like to see develop on North Haines. I can't agree more with Mr. Rangel about keeping the casinos away. One casino on Haines Ave. is enough. Now that Jimmy Johns has moved in along with the Quilt Connection, Runnings, The Good Will, ShopKo, and the few restaurants that we have, I think more businesses would be enticed to move into the strip malls if they did not have to contend with casinos, drinking, gambling, etc.

Having lived in North Rapid since 1972, we've seen our share of gang members, graffiti, indigent people walking around all hours of the day and night, and crime. Let's put some more decent businesses into the area and maybe we can solve a lot of the problems that now seem to plague North Rapid. It is a Good place to live and we would like to see it develop into a good shopping area for residents and travelers coming into Rapid City via the Haines Ave. exit.

So, I too, am asking you when you meet to discuss this matter, that you will all vote NO on the casinos on North Haines.

Thank you.

Sharon Rufledt

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