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To Whom It May Concern:

The Community Health Center of the Black Hills (CHCBH) intends to construct a new 30,000 square foot clinic on its vacant lot, located at 725 E. Philadelphia Street in North Rapid City. *To accomplish this, we wish to have the site rezoned from Public to Office/Commercial*. When we were finalizing purchasing the land from the Rapid City School District in October 2011, we had asked the (now defunct) Future Land Use Committee to review this change; they unanimously supported it.

CHCBH provides affordable primary medical, dental, and mental health care, with a mission of ensuring the medically underserved have access to necessary preventive, chronic, and basic health care. We intend to consolidate three of our existing clinics into one, with added space to expand to meet the growing needs of Rapid City into the foreseeable future. We anticipate that an additional 10 to 20,000 square feet of additional space may be added to the project to accommodate possible partner agencies serving the same population, most significantly the Pennington County Health & Human Services.

We appreciate the City's consideration in this request as we move forward in this project.

Sincerely,

Tim Trithart

Chief Executive Officer

