

RTM ENGINEERING SERVICES

4459 Portrush Road – Rapid City, SD 57702



21 October, 2014

To: Mr. Rod Johnson and Mr. Ted Johnson
City of Rapid City
Public Works Department
300 Sixth Street
Rapid City, SD, 57701

RE: *Sidewalk Variance Request for the Rapid City Sports Complex
3737 N. Elk Vale Road*

Attn: Mr. Rod Johnson and Mr. Ted Johnson,

On behalf of the Owner (City of Rapid City), User (Soccer Rapid City) and A/E (Dave Stafford Architecture), we (RTM Engineering Services) would request that you consider the following sidewalk variance request for the proposed construction of the Concessions Building to be located along N. Elk Vale Road. This variance request is being submitted as allowed for by Section 12.08.060.C of Rapid City Municipal Code.

We are making this request based on the following items:

- The closest sidewalk connection to this lot is approximately 5,000 feet away from the project area, assuming the 2012 aerial mapping is still current. The 2012 mapping shows the closest connection to be at the intersection of E. Mall Drive and N. Elk Vale Road.
- It appears that adjacent land has been zoned in several categories; general agriculture (to the south), public district (east southeast), and mobile home residential (south east). At this time, it also appears that no development has occurred in the adjacent properties.
- N. Elk Vale Road is currently classified as a “Principal Arterial” although the existing roadway is a 24’ -26’ wide asphalt paved rural section with very minimal improvements.

At this point in time, we believe, it would not be advantageous to all involved to construct sidewalks along this property to meet the requirements as listed within the standard criteria outlined within this request. Please feel free to contact me with questions or concerns and thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

RTM Engineering Services
Michael Towey, PE