



March 21, 2001

Mayor Shaw and the Rapid City Council  
306 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Rapid City, SD 57701

Dear Mayor Shaw and the Members of the Rapid City Council:

Eagerly planning and preparing for the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Hills Alive Festival, we have just been made aware of flood zoning changes made at Memorial Park that drastically affects the Festival. As such, we request to be on the agenda of the Legal and Finance Committee meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup> to discuss this issue, and will be requesting a variance to use Memorial Park for the Festival.

Sincerely,

Mark Pluimer

General Manager – KSLT/KLMP

Marilyn Gullickson

Hills Alive Coordinator



March 22, 2001

Mayor Shaw and the Rapid City Council

To Who it May Concern:

The Black Hills Jazz and Blues Festival for the Rapid City Arts Council (RCAC) request a hearing for variance regarding the Rapid Creek Flood Plain Policy effecting our July 28, 2001 event.

In recent months, we became aware of the flood zone change that may drastically effect this event.

This event is sponsored by the RCAC and is conducted through the efforts of the volunteer Jazz and Blues Committee. It is a paid admission event with all proceeds going to the RCAC.

Based on reliance of the past five years with cooperation of the city and our Festival, we have been organizing, planning, contracting and advertising for the July 28, 2001 event dependent on a budget charging admission. In order to accomplish that we need to fence the perimeter of the Festival grounds. Our Festival is a one day event and the fence would be in place for approximately 36 hours.

Our hope is that we can work with the city to find common ground that will allow us the use of Memorial Park for the Festival as a paying event this year. And, hopefully in the future years, with enough sponsorship and community and city support, we will be able to eliminate fencing and have the Festival become a free city wide event as has been our goal for some years.

Please contact Deb Lux, Festival Coordinator at 394-4101 or 381-0033.

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