

Black Hills HERITAGE FESTIVAL

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P.O. Box 9771, Rapid City, SD 57709

April 23, 2001

Rapid City Common Council
301 6th Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

Re: 2001 Black Hills Heritage Festival

Dear Council Members,

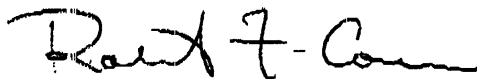
The Black Hills Heritage Festival requests an exception to the flood policy for our 2001 event being held this July.

Paperwork has been submitted to the Planning Commission for a major amendment to our use-on-review for 2001 only. It is my understanding that a similar exception was granted to the Black Hills Jazz & Blues Festival and Hills Alive Music Festival for 2001.

We will be working with the City and Wyss Associates to determine the infrastructure needs (*electrical, water, drainage, etc.*) for the new area the Heritage Festival is tentatively going to relocate to as approved in the use-on-review. However, it will be extremely difficult to operate in this new location for this year's festival due to no infrastructure being in place. We feel the danger of running temporary electrical service on the ground is too great a risk to Festival goers and participants, especially if it rains.

The Heritage Festival appreciates the Council's consideration in this matter. Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,



Robert F. Corner
President

cc: Ms. Bonnie Hughes