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**City of Rapid City
Planning Commission
300 Sixth Street
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Dear Commission Members:

The Board of Directors of Construction Industry Center, Inc., on behalf of its membership, wishes to express our opposition to Ordinance 3913 which proposes changes to municipal code relating to the storage and parking of trucks, trailers, and commercial vehicles.

After reviewing the ordinance as it is being proposed, we find the changes to be excessively restrictive and feel they would have a detrimental impact on the manner in which many of our members conduct their business and earn their livelihood.

We would encourage you to visit with your constituents in the construction industry and solicit their thoughts and ideas for alternative solutions.

Sincerely yours,

**Janet Gies
CIC Legislative Chair**

**Beverly Wittmeier
CIC Executive Director**

From: don myhre [dmyhre@rapidnet.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 27, 2003 9:51 AM
To: trish.anderson@rcgov.org
Subject: commercial vehicle proposal

Hi Ms. Anderson, I own and operate a home based business in south Rapid. My service truck falls with in your proposed sizes for the ban, but I must point out to you so do many of the city's vehicles such as emergency services and street maintenance. but what is more important is the fact that this is bought up because one person can't deal with the fact that his or her neighbor is running a home based business and parks his work truck either on the street or in his drive way.

Think about this: if 1,000 people in Rapid City ran thier own business out of thier homes and require a service truck for thier business and each truck is required to be commercially licensed, the city would loose the revenue from those businesses because they would be forced to either close thier businesses or move from the city and relocate in another state at worst. That's 1,000 businesses doing roughly 80,000/ea in annual business, the city would lose 1.6 million dollars in city sales tax, est. \$2,000,000 in property tax. Can the city afford that? I don't think so.

Don Myhre
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