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MEMORANDUM

- TO: Legal and Finance Committee Rapid City Council
- FROM: Karen Bulman, Planner II
- DATE: September 22, 2010
- RE: Request for SDCL 1-19A-11.1 Final Determination relative to the proposed removal of a leaded glass transom located at 516 Sixth Street located in the Downtown National Historic District

James Van Nuys is requesting that the City Council make a written determination that all feasible and prudent alternatives to the proposed removal of a leaded glass transom on historic property at 516 Sixth Street have been pursued and all possible planning to minimize harm to the historic property has taken place.

James VanNuys submitted an 11.1 Historic Review request to remove the lead glass window located in the transom on the front façade of the property. The subject property is located within the Downtown National Historic District. The building is classified as a "contributing structure".

On September 17, 2010, the Rapid City Historic Preservation Commission found that the request to remove the leaded glass transom would not have an adverse effect on historic property. However, on September 22, 2010, the State Historical Preservation Office, Office of History found that the removal of the leaded glass transom was an adverse effect on the historic property.

The property owner is requesting that the City Council determine that all feasible and prudent alternatives to the proposed removal of the lead glass window have been pursued and that all possible planning to minimize harm to this historic property has occurred.

Attached are copies of the minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission meetings at which this request was discussed and the e-mail communication received from the State Historic Preservation Office with the notification of the adverse impact.



<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: If the City Council finds that all feasible and prudent alternatives to the removal of the leaded glass transom at 516 Sixth Street have been pursued and that all possible planning to minimize harm to historic property has taken place, staff recommends that the Council authorize the required notice to be forwarded to the State Historical Preservation Office, Office of History.