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City of Rapid City Growth Management Dept. 300 6th St. Rapid City, SD 57701

Re: Variance of Subdivision Regulations at 3500 Sheridan Lake Rd., Rapid City, SD

Dear Sirs or Madam:

As homeowners on Sunset Vista Road, we are deeply concerned about a proposed development at the requested address. Our main concern is the impact of drainage and sewer issues not only to our property but also to the other homeowners on Sunset Vista Rd.

Our neighborhood has just gone through a blacktop project on Sunset Vista Rd. immediately east of us. Before the city rectified the situation, years went by as storm runoff water and gravel from the easement and hill, constantly caused a mess on our property. Thanks to Karen Gunderson Olson that was stopped, but further development without the safeguards of curb, gutter and sidewalk may very well adversely affect all of us down the hill.

All of the Sunset Vista homeowners are connected to city water and sewer and allowing the proposed development to subvert those important safeguards to others is a dangerous project. We are not in favor of septic tanks and drain fields on property near us that may cause great harm to our property and adjacent land, as well as potentially polluting the natural underground water reservoirs.

We are not against responsible development, but it must be done with the proper requirements set out by the city which includes installation of curb, gutter, sidewalk, street light conduit, water, sewer and pavement along Sunset Vista Road and the Access Easement as per Chapter 16.16 of the Rapid City Municipal code.

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