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May 25, 2011
CITY OF RAPID CITY
Growth Management Department
300 Sixth Street
Rapid City, SD 57701-5035
RE: Opposed to Conditional Use Permit File Number 11UR012

I will be attending the meeting May 26, 2011 at 7:00AM but wanted to furnish a written notice as well opposing the proposed Community Corrections Facility. I was informed that the purpose will be to detain Illegal Aliens not being kept longer than 24 hours with no living arrangements. I was informed the individuals kept at this facility are not necessarily accused of any crime other than being in our country illegally. My response is it does not necessarily prove they are not guilty of any more harsh crimes either. When statistics are reviewed of how many prisoners the United States houses for crimes committed within our country that were illegal aliens it is shocking. In many circumstances when compared to the country the illegal aliens originated, there is nothing to lose by attempting to flee or committing a crime where if caught the conditions are better than the alternative. I would believe if this potential did not exist there would be no reason to have a 9-1/2 foot tall secured fence with barb wire around the perimeter, unloading capabilities inside of the premise, and rooms to detain male, female, and juveniles. A notice has to be sent to businesses within 250 feet of the proposed facility. Since the facility is being built in a field of mostly undeveloped lots there are not many businesses within the 250 feet and why as business owners we need to rely on the good judgment of the governing body. As a business owner I employ we employ women including my wife that works late, weekends, and during holidays as well. Within a close proximity there is a nursing home, day cares, church, apartments, and housing development. It puzzles me why facilities that house any individuals kept against their will are not located in areas away from children and individuals that could become unsuspecting victims. Please don't rely on what is proposed to deter escapes from happening as all you have to do is read our local paper to learn about individuals that escape from minimum secured facilities prompting notifications to be put in the media. As a property owner that has worked hard to increase the value of my facility, I do not want to see it de-valuate due to a facility such as this being constructed. To use the exact words within your notification that ultimately affects existing property owners.

Due to the “**potential impacts**” on adjoining properties, Conditional Use Permits applications are considered at public hearings where questions and concerns by “**those affected**” can be heard. These references are stated as such as with most cases values will be impacted especially since the infrastructure is in place to advance at a later time to an enhanced version to include more extended stays or individual's accused or convicted of more extensive crimes.

Terry Lee Bosma – President
Pressure Services Inc. – Chemical and Car Wash Equipment distribution
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Dear Sirs:

This letter is our comment on the proposed Conditional Use Permit requested by Mark Avkamp for SBC Archway VII, LLC for property along Sophia Court. The Conditional Use Permit is requesting approval of a "Community Correctional Facility" in a Light Industrial Zoning District. We own property adjoining the North border of the proposed facility and additional property across the street Northeast of the proposed facility.

Our concern is that a "Community Correctional Facility" next to our properties would provide an insecure atmosphere for our employees and lower our property values.

Employees many times work late and lockup on their own. Many have expressed concern about having a "Community Correctional Facility" next to our building. When we selected to build in a light industrial zoned area we did not anticipate having such a facility built in this area.

We have reviewed the plans for this proposed building and have reviewed the stated plans for its use. The design of the building, and the fact that only illegal aliens will be processed, but not held overnight, leads us to assume the impact on property values may be minimal. However, we are concerned that the term "Community Correctional Facility" can allow for future use that is no different than a jail. Such future use would have a very negative impact on security and on local property values. We would like to see strong wording in the permit restricting such future use and disallowing incremental permit changes that would over time allow overnight detention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dean Aurand". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dean Aurand, President