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Public Works Department Engineering Services Division

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TO:

Public Works Committee

FROM:

Ted T. Johnson, P.E.

Engineering Project Manager Public Works Department

DATE:

May 23, 2011

RE:

Request for Exception to waive the requirement to install sidewalk along a

portion of Tower Road per City Ordinance 12.16.080

Lot C of Lots 11 – 16, Block 35 of South Boulevard Addition

SW 1/4 of the N/W 1/4 S12, T1N, R7E, BHM, Pennington County, SD

A request was received on May 17, 2011 requesting the requirement to install sidewalk per City of Rapid City Ordinance 12.16.080 be waived for a portion the proposed Black Hills Power Electric Substation facility to be located southwest of the intersection of Cleveland Street and Tower Road. The proposed development includes the construction of a high voltage electrical substation, security fencing, driveway, sidewalk, lanscaping and related improvements. A minimum four (4) foot wide sidewalk is required to be constructed one foot from the property line along Cleveland Street and Tower Road as per the Rapid City Municipal Code. Black Hills Power has also submitted an exception request to construct five (5) foot wide curb sidewalk adjacent to the proposed substation similar to the existing sidewalk along the south side of Cleveland Street.

The City of Rapid City Code of Ordinances, 12.16.080 New or Relocated Residential or Commercial Buildings states "The construction of a permanent sidewalk fronting or abutting all streets, highways and avenues shall be accomplished by the builder, owner or developer of all new or relocated residential or commercial buildings within the city..." This request would allow Black Hills Power to waive the installation of approximately one hundred twenty-eight (128) linear feet of sidewalk along the west side of Tower Road and south of Cleveland Street. The existing street in Tower Road consists of asphalt paving



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without curb and gutter or storm sewer. The southern portion of the BHP lot slopes sharply into an existing drainage pond and is located in a Major Drainage Easement.

Currently property line sidewalk is installed along the north side of Cleveland Street and along the east side of Tower Road. Curb sidewalk is installing along the south side of Cleveland Street east of Tower Road. There is no sidewalk along the south side of Cleveland Street west of this property. As part of the substation improvements, Black Hills Power will be installing sidewalk adjacent to their property along Cleveland Street and at the intersection of Tower Road.

This request is associated with a current building permit application for this property.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the request to waive the requirement to install sidewalk along a portion of Tower Road adjacent to this property be approved providing the applicant signs a Waiver of Right to Protest for future sidewalk assessments.



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Cleveland Street Substation
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SW1/4 of the NW1/4, SEC12, T1N, R7E, BHM, Rapid City
Pennington County, South Dakota

To whom it may concern:

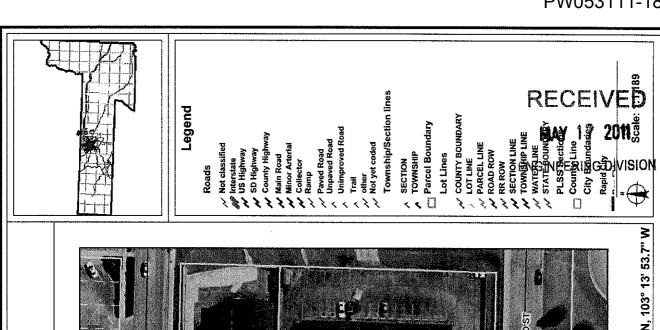
Black Hills Power is in the process of designing an electric distribution substation on the corner of Cleveland Street and Tower Road. We are requesting that no sidewalk be required on the east side of the substation adjacent to Tower Road. The design utilizes curbside sidewalk on the north side of the property adjacent to Cleveland Street and wraps around the corner to the current point of access. At which point the existing curb ends. Installing curb to the end of the property is not practical as there is not a well-defined road edge to work along.

Sincerely,

Steven Dunn

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ENGINEERING DIVISION



TOWER RD

HIGHLAND PARK-DF

Map center: 44° 3' 38.9" N, 103° 13' 53.7" W

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Tower Road Site Map

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