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TO: Public Works Committee

FROM: Ted T. Johnson, P.E.
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DATE: February 6, 2012

RE: Request for Exception to waive the requirement to install sidewalk along the north side of Philadelphia Street per City Ordinance 12.16.080
SW ¼ NE ¼ less ROW, Section 35, T2N, R7E, BHM, Rapid City,
Pennington County, SD

A request was received on January 23, 2012 requesting the requirement to install sidewalk per City of Rapid City Ordinance 12.16.080 be waived for the proposed Founders Park North Apartment Development to be located on the north side of Philadelphia Street near the intersection of Founders Park Drive and Philadelphia Street. The proposed development includes the construction of approximately 128 apartment units, parking garages, paved parking, internal sidewalks, landscaping, water and sanitary sewer mains, stormwater drainage features and related improvements. A minimum four (4) foot wide sidewalk is required to be constructed one foot from the property line along the north side of Philadelphia Street as per the Rapid City Municipal Code.

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..."

The requested exception will allow the apartment complex and improvements to be built without the installation of sidewalk adjacent to the improvements.



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The proposed Founders Park North Apartment improvements are located in the SW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 35, T2N, R7E, north of the intersection of Founders Park Drive and Philadelphia Street. The topography of the existing street right-of-way (ROW) is fairly level although the terrain beyond the ROW is rugged with shallow draws and hills. Retaining walls have been installed to support the electrical transmission line poles adjacent to the ROW, and these sections of retaining walls encroach in the ROW. The existing retaining wall encroachments into the northern street ROW may necessitate the installation of curb sidewalk or other alternate alignment to accommodate the retaining walls.

Currently, curb sidewalk is installed on the south side of Philadelphia Street from Founders Park Drive to North 11th Street. Curb sidewalk is also installed along the entire west side of Founders Park Drive except for approximately one-hundred fourteen (114) feet of the street at the extreme northern end. Installation of sidewalk along the north side of Philadelphia Street, and the future installation of the short segment of sidewalk at the north end of Founders Park Drive, will provide a safe pedestrian corridor along Philadelphia Street and Founders Park Drive; and will provide a connection to the Greenways Tract pathways along Rapid Creek. Sidewalk installation is not required along the east side of Founders Park Drive per the previously approved variance request 06SV046 (August 21, 2006).

This request is associated with a preliminary Plat Application, 11PL076.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the request to waive the requirement to install sidewalk along the north side of Philadelphia Street be denied.

REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION TO RAPID CITY DESIGN STANDARD / CRITERIA / REGULATIONS

PROJECT Founders Park NorthDATE: 1/20/12 SUBMITTED BY: CENTERLINE for Flump and Lump, LLC akaPIN #: 35598 ADDRESS: Founders Park North N/ALEGAL DESCRIPTION: SW1/4NE1/4 LESS ROW, SECTION 35 T2N, R7E, BHM RAPID CITY,
PENNINGTON COUNTY, SDEXCEPTION REQUESTED: SECTION SCM STD / CRITERIA / **REG**DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST: WAIVE requirement for sidewalk along the north side of Philadelphia St.JUSTIFICATION: SEE DEV 12-1065 Plans

Space is compromised by BHP 32 kV power poles with retaining wall protection that encroach into the space. Also, contact with venomous snakes is more likely along this side (see bike path contacts). Sidewalk along south side of Philadelphia will serve pedestrian needs.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION: ☒ Yes ☐ NoPROPERTY OWNER'S SIGNATURE**: Lawrence M. Kostaneski, PE for DATE: 1/20/2012**Or Agent, if previously designated by the Owner in writing. Flump & Lump, LLC

-----FOR STAFF ONLY-----

STAFF COMMENTS: _____

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: _____

REVIEWED BY: _____ DATE: _____

AUTHORIZATION:

☐ APPROVED☐ DENIED

COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR _____ DATE _____

☐ APPROVED☐ DENIED

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR* _____ DATE _____

FILE #: _____

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*Public Works Director's signature is not required for Lot Length to Width Exceptions, Ordinance No. 5232.

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Proposed FPN Development

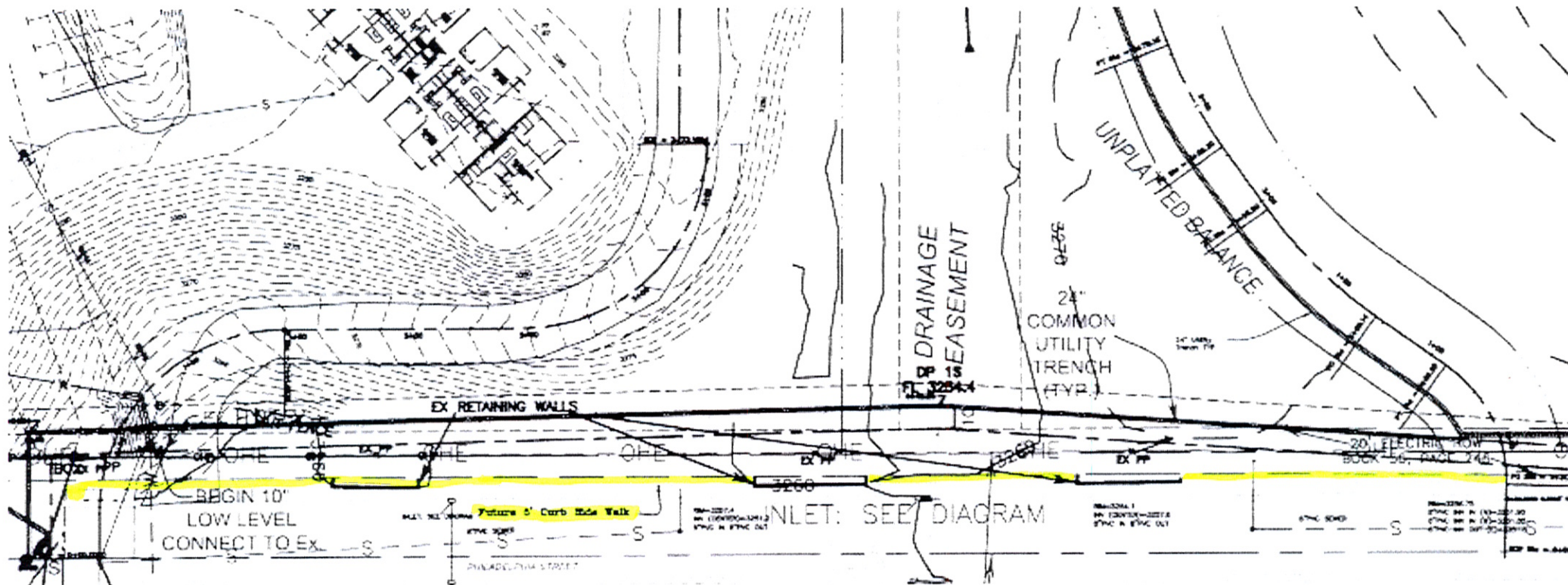
Proposed FPN Sidewalk

Existing Sidewalks

Sidewalk not required per 06SV046

Founders Park North Sidewalk Waiver Request





Founders Park North
Partial Site Plan

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Subject: PW CMTE ITEM # 18
Date: Monday, February 13, 2012 2:25:52 PM

Hi

Item 18 is a request by the Founders Park North (FPN) project to waive – at least temporarily – the sidewalk requirement noted. It's important that Lot 1 become a transferable piece of property in order to keep the financing package on track.

It's worth remembering that these developers took the old packing plant site and transformed it into the very attractive office complex it is today, using a very modest TID.

They now plan to take what was a "rubble site" to the north and transform it into an equally attractive up-scale townhome project, without any city money except for oversize cost reimbursement.

FPN has yet to integrate their proposed footprint into a cohesive vehicular / pedestrian environment that will work with all existing paths. This will take at least a couple of months.

But most importantly, the city has the ability to order in sidewalk at any time.

FPN request the city waive the requirement for sidewalk at this time with the caveat that it could be ordered built in the future.

I plan to attend the PW meeting to answer any questions Thanks

LMK *for* FPN
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