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City of Rapid City Office of Engineering Atten: Brandon Quiett Rapid City, SD 57703

RE: Request to waive requirement to install sidewalk per ordinance 12.08.060 on Lots 1-5 and ADJ Vacated Alleys Less a 20 ft. x 35 ft Tract in the NW Corner of said Lot 1, Block 18, Section 35, Township 2N, Range 7 E.

Brandon.

Per our previous conversations, the requirement to install sidewalks along Omaha Street and Canal Street have been triggered through the issuance of permit number CIBP13-3913 for the development of a parking lot on the above described property. Listed below, per street are my reasons for requesting such a waiver.

OMAHA STREET

Omaha Street is scheduled for a complete reconstruction from West Blvd to Mt. View. In talking with the South Dakota DOT, all new sidewalks will be installed with this project along the South side of Omaha Street. With this in mind, along with the fact that City utilities such as storm water, sanitary sewer and water services will need to be installed ahead of this DOT project, any sidewalk installed at this time will have a very short life as it will be torn out and replaced by this project.

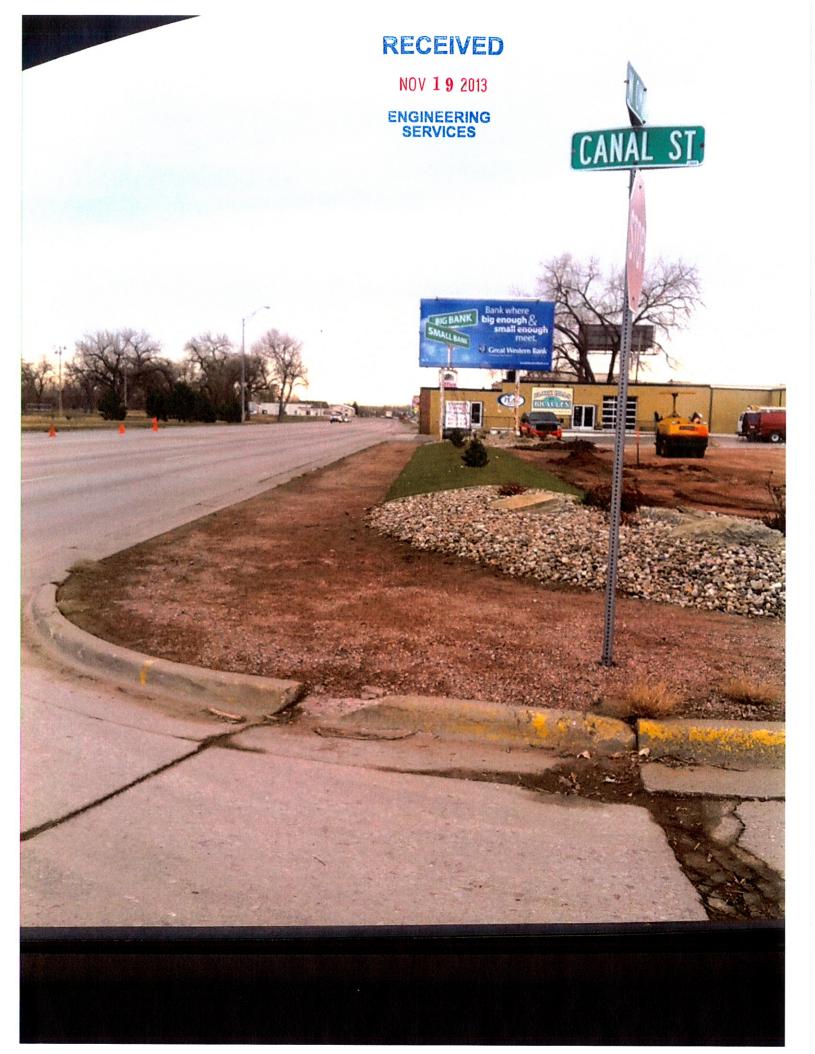
Since I purchased this property, I have worked towards cleaning up the property, removing the old chain link fence and installing a little landscape buffer. As depicted by the enclosed photos, you will see that I left a graveled area where a sidewalk would be installed in anticipation of the future reconstruction project. While I know this graveled path does not in any way meet the sidewalk ordinance, you can see by the photos that graveled surface along my frontage serves a short term purpose especially in light of the fact that there are no sidewalks or any type of walking surface on any of the City owned property from Canal Street West.

CANAL STREET

I will be happy to install the sidewalk on my property along Canal Street. I am asking however that this requirement be waived until such time as the new Omaha Street sidewalk is installed so that the two can tie together in an orderly fashion and the entire corner looks all new as it should.

Respectfully

Brad Estes







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