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City of Steamboat Springs Planning & Community Development
124 10th Street
Steamboat Springs, CO 80487

Reference: River Front Park PUD
Project Narrative – Preconsultation Submittal (Pre-submittal PS23-0141)
1900 & 1920 Bridge Lane
Steamboat Springs, CO 80487
SEAD Job No. 21099

Dear Planning Department,

Please accept this letter as a detailed narrative for a Preconsultation submittal from the City of Steamboat Springs Planning and Community Development for the River Front Park PUD project. The project location is at 1900 & 1920 Bridge Lane in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. The proposed project is a new Planned Unit Development (PUD) to ratify the notice of violations that were issued on June 7th, 2023 in units 1-14 and start the process of bringing all of these units into code compliance.

The River Front Park (RFP) project consists of two, three-story mixed-use buildings that are approximately 25,000 square feet each with an additional 28,700 square foot building (1955 Bridge Lane) that is dedicated to commercial use only. Originally, this development was approved through a development plan submittal (DP-05-13) in October of 2005. The original mixed used buildings (1900 & 1920 Bridge Lane) were approved as “live work” units with commercial warehouse space on the ground level and residential units on the uppermost level. Each of the mixed used buildings consisted of seven units, bringing a total of 14 “live work” units for this development. The effective year built per the Routt County Assessor’s website for both of the “live-work” buildings is 2007, with the effective year built for the commercial building as 2009.

Throughout the lifespan of the live work units, tenant buildouts have been occurring without permits in all the 14 units, besides unit 7 which is still in the same layout as original construction. Some of these buildouts include adding residential units on the lower level, construction of mezzanines and second levels in certain units, as well as additional plumbing and lighting fixtures installed in most of the units. These two mixed use buildings have transitioned from “live works” to mixed use buildings with many units having multiple tenants per unit. On June 7th, 2023 all 14 units (excluding unit 7) were issued a notice of violation from the code enforcement officer of Steamboat Springs.

Due to all the buildings already being constructed and existing on the site we are requesting a waiver in providing a geotechnical report for the PUD submittal. Further, no additional development is proposed for this project, therefore, a soils report is not necessary to help facilitate the ratification of the notice of violations and get all units into code compliance. We request the City of Steamboat Springs Planning & Community Development and City Engineering grant a waiver request in lieu of providing a geotechnical report for the River Front Park PUD.

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions regarding this document, and we look forward to continued discussion.

Sincerely,

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