MEMORANDUM

TO: Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Sarah Hanzel, Long Range Planner III

DATE: 10/9/18

RE: Proposed Amendment to the Downtown Commercial Historic District National Register Listing

Rapid City’s downtown commercial historic district has been listed on the National Register since 1974. Last year, the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), conducted a survey of this district to evaluate changes that have occurred since it was last surveyed in 1998. Based on the information the SHPO collected, they are recommending an amendment to the National Register Nomination Form to reflect the changes that have occurred. The boundary of the historic district will not change as a result of the amendment. The proposed changes are summarized below.

1. Architectural descriptions were updated.
2. Some buildings with multiple suites were grouped together as one building, consistent with tax records.
3. Relatively few properties are proposed to be reclassified, listed here:
   a) 430 Main Street – May change from contributing to non-contributing depending on outcome of current renovations
   b) 510 Main Street – contributing to non-contributing
   c) 620 Saint Joseph Street – Needs SHPO clarification
   d) Main Street Square was added as a non-contributing resource
   e) Non-contributing statues were removed from the inventory. No statues are being inventoried in the National Register Nomination.

SHPO has requested the HPC’s comments on the proposed National Register Nomination amendment.