Case No. 22RZ004

Legal Description:

Tract A Revised of Block 25 of Boulevard Addition, located in Section 2, T1N, R7E, BHM, Rapid City, Pennington County, South Dakota
Historic Rapid City is requesting a rezone from MDR to General Commercial for the Valentine McGillycuddy House located at 727 South Street, Rapid City SD 57701.

Historic Rapid City is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of Rapid City’s historic sites and landmarks. Our built environment as well as our natural environment. The Valentine McGillycuddy house, built in 1887, is being restored by Historic Rapid City for the people of Rapid City. The project is funded by generous donations and in-kind services from the citizens of our community and the grant program from the City of Deadwood.

Upon completion, it will be a historic house museum where it may be used as a venue for weddings, book signings, lectures, meetings and small gatherings for the various organizations around town. Visiting the McGillycuddy house would be an exciting field trip for students and teachers when they study local history. School tours of the house would focus on local history, continuity and change and the impact of individuals in our community. It would allow students to step into the past and experience and wonder about life in the 1880s. It will also be the home of Historic Rapid City as this organization helps people with questions such as how to research your house style and its history. It also helps facilitate acquisition of collections, such as the Farrar collection of glass plates, that are now safely within Minnilusa as well as personal help in researching early Rapid City family histories.

It will not only be a place for locals, its proximity to Mount Rushmore Road make it easily accessible to the thousands who flock to the Black Hills for an Old West experience. Rapid City has no other facility such as this and the historic value such a structure would bring to Rapid City and the Black Hills region is hard to overestimate, but by bringing its past to the present, scholars, historians, tourists and the population at large could benefit from its use as a public space.

Rezoning would ensure that this property can be used to its full potential.