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## **MEMORANDUM**

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**Date:** February 3, 2021  
**To:** Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission  
**From:** Mike Runge, City Archivist  
**Re:** **2021 City of Deadwood Oral History Project**

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The City Archives is requesting permission to hire Jaci Conrad Pearson to collect and transcribe (10) oral histories as part of the 2021 Archives budget. The Deadwood Oral History Project is in its seventeenth year and has recorded and collected 172 individual histories. (See attachment A) Topics include longtime residents, Deadwood High School Alumni, the advent of legalized gaming, former City and Historic Preservation Commissioners, former Homestake Slime Plant employees and the development of the Michelson Trail.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Recommend to the City Commission to allow the City Archives to enter a contract with Jaci Conrad Pearson, independent contractor, to collect and transcribe (10) oral histories as part of the 2021 oral history project. The cost for this project will not to exceed the amount of \$6,750.00 and will come out of the 2021 Archives budget.