



M E M O R A N D U M

Date: June 2, 2025
To: Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission
From: Mike Runge, City Archivist
Re: **2025 City of Deadwood Oral History Project**

The City Archives is requesting permission to hire Vicki Dar to collect and transcribe ten (10) oral histories as part of the 2025 City Archives budget. The Deadwood Oral History Project is in its twenty-second year and has recorded and collected 206 individual histories (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 Mickelson Trail.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend to the City Commission to allow the City Archives to enter into a contract with Vicki Dar, independent contractor, to collect and transcribe ten (10) oral histories as part of the 2025 oral history project. The cost for this project will not exceed the amount of \$6,750.00 and will come out of the 2025 Archives budget.