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MEMORANDUM

Date: July 29, 2021

To: Deadwood City Commission

From: Kevin Kuchenbecker, Historic Preservation Officer **Re:** Emergency Repair of Retaining Wall – 8 Jefferson

The Historic Preservation Office received an application for the retaining wall located at 8 Jefferson Street. Upon inspection by city staff the wall at 8 Jefferson Street is currently pressing against the residence of 51 Van Buren Street causing damage and threatening the historic integrity of a contributing structure. The Historic Preservation Commission accepted this retaining wall into the program at their July 14, 2021, meeting.

The Historic Preservation Office coordinated a site-visit with Albertson Engineering and is now recommending to the City Commission to deem this retaining wall an emergency and direct staff to cause the safety measures advised in the Engineer's memo (attached) to be done in a timely, cost effective measure.

Recommend Motion: Allow staff to engage available contractor to remedy the safety measures outlined in the Engineer's memo to remove the soils behind the wall and protect the downhill historic resource.