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## MEMORANDUM

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**Date:** February 9, 2023  
**To:** Deadwood City Commission  
**From:** Kevin Kuchenbecker, Planning, Zoning and Historic Preservation Officer  
**Re:** Purchase Agreement Fuller Brothers LLC

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The Historic Preservation Commission continues to work towards preserving and protecting the viewshed of the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District. A great example is the McGovern Hill conservation easement granted to the City of Deadwood in 2021.

Once again, the City of Deadwood and Historic Preservation Commission has been presented with an opportunity to protect the viewshed behind the southern end of Williams Street and to the east of Denver Avenue. The property is owned by Fuller Brothers LLC. The Historic Preservation Office has been in discussion with the Fuller Brothers to purchase and develop this area as a non-motorized trail system for use by the general public along with preserving and protecting the viewshed of the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District.

Staff is recommending the Mayor and/or Historic Preservation Chair sign a purchase agreement for the Fuller Brothers property in the amount of \$675,000 to protect the viewshed within the National Historic Landmark and to create non-motorized recreational trails. Fuller Brothers LLC will donate \$120,000 back to the City of Deadwood for the trails project.

The Historic Preservation Commission reviewed this request at their February 8, 2023 meeting and recommend the Historic Preservation Chair sign a purchase agreement for the Fuller Brothers property in the amount of \$675,000 to protect the viewshed within the National Historic Landmark and to create non-motorized recreational trails. Fuller Brothers LLC will donate \$120,000 back to the City of Deadwood for the trails project.

**Recommend Motion:** *Move to authorize proper authorities to sign the purchase agreement for the Fuller Brothers property in the amount of \$675,000 to protect the viewshed within the National Historic Landmark and to create non-motorized recreational trails. Fuller Brothers LLC will donate \$120,000 back to the City of Deadwood for the trails project.*