

Date: 07/08/21

Case No. 210127

Address: 1906 Deadwood Mountain Drive

### **Staff Report**

The applicant has submitted an application for Certificate of Appropriateness for work at 1906 Deadwood Mountain Drive, a contributing structure located in the South Deadwood Planning Unit in the City of Deadwood.

Applicant: ZCW Inc.  
Owner: ZCW Inc.  
Constructed: 1906/1909

### **CRITERIA FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A PROJECT APPROVAL**

**The Historic Preservation Commission shall use the following criteria in granting or denying the Project Approval:**

#### **General Factors:**

**1. Historic significance of the resource:** The last remaining mining processing building left in Deadwood, this facility operated until 1973. It takes its name from the crushed ore, suspended in water, left as a by-product of the gold removal process. This plant was built to further process that "slime" to extract the remaining gold. About 1,700 tons of slime were processed daily at this plant, using a system of filter presses developed by C.W. Merrill. Several similar buildings once stood at the norther entrance to Deadwood where the rodeo grounds are now located, but were abandoned and demolished or destroyed by fires shortly after this building was built. The left wing of this building was added in 1909. This resource has been adaptively reused as a gaming and event center.

**2. Architectural design of the resource and proposed alterations:** The applicant is requesting permission to install a generator for life/safety use at hotel. Currently during power failure there is no access to run elevators for disabled guests and not access to the ground floor other than stairs. Generator would be the size of a small car and be placed on the outdoor patio near the wall where a current dumpster sits. We would request an HPC approved fence to be constructed around the generator for a pleasing aesthetic look. The generator will also supply emergency lighting and cooling to the server room.

**Attachments:** Yes

**Plans:** No

**Photos:** Yes

**Staff Opinion:** The proposed work and changes do not encroach upon, damage or destroy a historic resource or have an adverse effect on the character of the building or the historic character of the State and National Register Historic Districts or the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District.

#### **Motions available for commission action:**

**A:** Based upon the guidance found in DCO 17.68.050, I find that the exterior alteration proposed is congruous with the historical, architectural, archaeological or cultural aspects of the district and MOVE to grant Certification of Appropriateness.

**OR**

**B:** Based upon the guidance found in DCO 17.68.050, I find that the exterior alteration proposed is incongruous with the historical, architectural, archaeological or cultural aspects of the district and MOVE to deny Certification of Appropriateness.