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Dear Dan.

My name is Tim Navin and I am the owner of Sparks Fly Studio Ltd. here in Fruita, Colorado. We have been in business since 2020 and have seen exponential growth with our welding business. We are currently under contract to purchase the Co-op silo building located at 248 Highway 6 & 50; an iconic building we as "Fruitians" have all grown to love and cherish.

Our business has begun to heavily pursue a manufacturing need that has arisen to support the overlanding/river rafting/outdoor tourism trend that the Valley is seeing continuous growth in. I, along with Travis Lindley of Element Adventures, are working diligently to bring about an opportunity for several related businesses to find a home in our community. The Co-op Silo and attached warehouse provide an amazing space for these businesses to thrive and grow. Labrinth Overland, U.K., / Way Out Box , Quebec / Open Range Adventure Rigs, TX have all shown genuine interest in moving their operations to our town.

We are running into an issue that concerns a Rail Spur Lease with the Union Pacific Railroad (U.P.R.R.) which is a requirement in order to own the building and property. This extra cost has created a Gap in being able to find a lending solution with Tom Oliver and Alpine Bank. As a relatively new business still, we will have other costs and needs associated with our move to a new space and to continue our growth and economic contribution to our community. As mentioned before, this building and its silo are monuments in our little town. I would be honored with the privilege of being the steward of the property and keeper of our lighthouse.

I humbly ask that The City of Fruita and its leadership take a look at our situation, the partnership we can create and the potential that comes with it.

Best Regards,

Tim Navin