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Madisen Hastings

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Subject: Liberty Grange Hall

Ms. Hastings,

Thank you so much for permitting members of the Star Historical Committee, last year, to tour the Liberty Grange Hall located on Highway 16, just north of State Street (Highway 44) in Star, ID. We recognize the historical significance of the Grange Hall and it is our committee's sincere hope that we might help to preserve it in some form or fashion.

As you likely know, the property to the north, south and east of the hall is pending development into a subdivision that was recently approved by Star City Council. My prior discussions with you have included potential acquisition of the Grange Hall and moving it to a yet-to-be determined parcel of land elsewhere. This is because the property that the hall is positioned on is hardly bigger than the Grange Hall itself (parking concerns) and access from Highway 16 will not be possible. However, neither the committee nor the City of Star are in a financial position to offer you fair market value for the building.

Our committee proposes that you contact the developer of the surrounding property to discuss some sort of transaction to preserve the Grange Hall. We ask that you donate the building to a foundation that we propose establishing as part of whatever transaction you might enter into with the developer. If the developer were to agree to this, our committee hopes to make whatever arrangements that would be needed to keep the building on its current site or have it moved to an alternative site. The developer's contact information is:

Derk Pardoe
3454 Stone Mountain Ln
Sandy, Utah
Phone 801-808-2357

It is our committee's fervent hope that you and Mr. Pardoe are able to arrive at a transaction that represents your best interests and allows for the preservation of the Liberty Grange Hall. Our committee will consider any reasonable arrangement that would achieve that end. Feel free to contact me at 806-673-6708 with any questions or recommendations that you might have.

Respectfully,

Chip Sitton
Chairman, Star Historical Committee

Cc: Trevor Chadwick
Mayor, City of Star