



March 25, 2022

Chairman Johnson,

The Rawlins Downtown Development Authority (DDA)/ Main Street has received your letter of inquiry on the Hugus Ferguson building. The Rawlins DDA/Main Street Board of Directors are interested in the building at 419 E. Cedar Street - Hugus Ferguson Building.

The Wyoming legislature declares that the organization of downtown development authorities having the purposes and powers provided in this act will serve a public use; will promote the health, safety, prosperity, security and general welfare of the inhabitants thereof and of the people of this state, will halt or prevent deterioration of property values or structures within central business districts, will halt or prevent the growth of blighted areas within such districts, and will assist municipalities in the development and redevelopment of such districts and in the overall planning to restore or provide for the continuance of the health thereof, and will be of especial benefit to the property within the boundaries of any authority created pursuant to the provisions of this article (WS 15-9-201).

The creation of a DDA as said above has brought a motion was made at the March 21, 2022, Rawlins DDA/Main Street Board of Directors meeting as follows:

Linda Smith made a motion that DDA accept the Ferguson Building as a gift from the Carbon County with the condition that it is a true gift, unencumbered, with all ceases of claim, and the provision of a complete history of all work done while owned by the County. Jodi Smith seconded the motion. Motioned carried.

Additionally, a motion was made on March 15, 2022, by the Rawlins City Council as follows:

Motion: Move to notify Carbon County the City of Rawlins declines to receive the property downtown owner by Carbon County and approves DDA/Main Street to pursue negotiations with the County for the building. Motion made by Linda Smith, seconded by Chris Weisenburg. Motion carried 6-0.

Rawlins DDA/Main Street Board and staff are very excited to pursue 2 to 3 options for the Hugus Ferguson which would create economic development to the downtown corridor and the County.

The Rawlins DDA/Main Street Board of Directors is thankful for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Steve Sanger".

Steve Sanger  
Chairman