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December 1, 2023

Honorable Jason Pierce, Mayor
Honorable Brad Pike, Council President
City of Eagle
PO Box 1520
Eagle, Idaho 83616

RE: Proposed Water Capitalization Fee changes

Dear Mayor Pierce, Councilman Pike, and members of the Eagle City Council,

On behalf of the nearly 400 member companies of the Building Contractors Association of Southwestern Idaho (BCASWI) I respectfully ask you to delay your public hearing regarding the city of Eagle's Water Capitalization Fee changes, currently scheduled for Tuesday, December 12. This will allow the BCA of Southwestern Idaho time to adequately review the details and provide thoughtful written comment on the proposal.

Our members who do business in Eagle are scrambling to review the proposed fee changes and justification for said changes, of which we were provided a copy only on November 29. Based on our initial review, we have several concerns regarding the fee calculation assumptions. In more than one instance the fees appear to burden growth with maintenance and repair expenses that should be sourced elsewhere.

Typically, the BCASWI Builder/Developer Committee will review such proposals from jurisdictions and offer an opportunity for the jurisdictions to provide early notice, an explanation, and justification for the proposal to the committee. This opportunity, coupled with input from our members, informs the formal written comments we submit through the public process. Given the short notice of Eagle's Water Capitalization Fee changes, the Builder/Developer Committee has not had the opportunity to engage in that process. The next meeting of the committee is scheduled for January 9, 2024 beginning at 3:00 p.m. and we invite a representative of the City of Eagle to present to the committee regarding the proposed fee changes.

The Builder/Developer committee meets the second Tuesday of each month in 2024. All jurisdictions in Ada County are invited to participate in the meeting to report on building permit



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trends, impending policy or ordinance changes, and brainstorming on how to approach mutual challenges. We extend an invitation to the City of Eagle to participate in these discussions.

In the meantime, we do respectfully ask for a delay in your decision-making process regarding Water Capitalization Fees to provide an opportunity for the industry to review and provide constructive input to the proposal.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to working with you on this matter. If you have further questions or clarifications, you can contact the BCASWI's government affairs representative, Ken Burgess at 208-861-2052 or e-mail: ken@veritasadvisor.com

Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Cody Weight', is written over a horizontal line.

Cody Weight, President
Building Contractors Association of Southwest Idaho