



City of Brandon Development Services,

This letter is to notify the request of a zoning by-law change for the address located at 2211 Rosser Ave in Brandon, Manitoba. We are requesting support to transition this from independent dwelling units into special needs housing.

Currently, this property is owned privately and managed by Brandon Maintenance Services. In the last 6 months traffic has decreased and they have done extensive work to repair and bring this building up to where it needs to be. Through a partnership, we, Brandon Housing First we want to help keep the activity and traffic down by having staff on-site to prevent unwanted activities.

Brandon Housing First is a non-profit organization that is managed under the Manitoba Metis Federation Southwest Region. We work with individuals that are chronically and episodically homeless by providing intense case management and building wrap around supports that promote independent living. We follow a housing stabilization plan to work on maintaining their physical, mental and cultural wellbeing, trauma counselling, and recovery (addictions).

Our goal for this property is to utilize this space and provide 7 independent units for our older individuals (45 years +) with on-going medical needs and one unit where staff will be on-site 24/hrs. We have partnered with several other organizations in the area to help these older individuals receive help and support by bringing services to them as they are not able to access them while living in transitional, emergency shelters and through our overnight shelter. Each of the units will have a microwave and mini fridge, kitchen sink and cupboards, they will each have their own bathrooms. This is generally consistent with the development plan as it will still be functioning for residential use.

We have 7th Street Health access center that will come in every 2 weeks to meet with the individuals (outreach worker, nurse, nurse practitioner/ physician) to address health concerns, home care that will assist with personal care, wound care, and medications, counselling services that will come into there home for sessions, and activities to help promote positive engagement. The staff on-site will assist individuals with learning how to cook and monitor proper temperatures during cooking, assist with maintaining a clean-living space, and having an appropriate understanding of reasonable rules (respecting their neighbours/ neighbourhood).

If you have any questions or concerns about this project, please contact me at 204-441-8575. I am happy to meet with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S Shupe".

Samantha Shupe

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