

June 16, 2016

Oregon City Urban Renewal Agency 625 Center Street Oregon City, OR 97045

Re: Gas line installation reimbursement First City Central Marketplace & Bistro 1757 Washington Street Oregon City, OR 97045

Dear Urban Renewal Commissioners:

There are three expenses involved with bringing a gas line into the train station facility:

- 1. Line installation from Washington Street to the meter (at base of foundation)
- 2. Line installation from the meter to the building's kitchen area
- 3. Gas meter installation, testing, etc.

NWNG will cover half the cost of installing the gas line from Washington to the meter. It will also cover the installation of the meter and system testing.

First City Central will cover the cost of installing the gas line from the meter to the building's kitchen area. This cost has been quoted at \$2,500. We are in the process of scheduling a local contractor to complete the installation in the next week or two.

NWNG sent First City Central an invoice for half of its cost of installing the line from Washington to the gas meter. The invoice was \$5,600. In order to expedite the scheduling of the NWNG installation, First City Central paid this invoice.

I am writing to request that the Urban Renewal Agency reimburse First City Central for this \$5,600 installation expense.

My reasoning for requesting assistance is as follows:

- Bringing natural gas to the depot is a major capital improvement that will increase the facility's rental value and attractiveness for current and future tenants.
- First City Central is willing to cover the cost of installing the line from the meter to the building (\$2,500).
- Due to numerous unforeseen and unbudgeted expenses, First City Central's start-up budget has been exhausted. Additional funding is being pursued; however, reimbursement would be incredibly helpful in bringing this project to completion.

Thank you for considering my request. If you have questions, I can be reached at <u>blane@fccycles.net</u> or at (503) 479-0080. Thank you, again.

Blane Meier, Owner First City Central Marketplace & Bistro