

September 1, 2021

Ms. Charity Yonker, Planning Director, Zoning Administrator
Cascade County Planning Division
121 4th N, Ste. 2H
Great Falls, MT 59401

RE: Special Use Permit #006-2019
Madison Food Park – Big Sky Cheese

Dear Ms. Yonker,

As you are aware, the Special Use Permit (SUP) for the subject facility is scheduled to expire on December 10, 2021. We are presently working to address and resolve the SUP's conditions of approval. Some of these conditions require permitting from Montana's Department of Environmental Quality, and the review and approval processes associated with the permits are anticipated to take many months to complete. Further complicating the schedule during the past ~18 months has been the owner's ability to conduct normal business affairs related to the project as a result of travel restrictions.

With this letter we respectfully request a 24-month extension beyond the current approval deadline to December 10, 2023. We understand this extension request must be addressed by the Cascade County's Zoning Board of Adjustments (ZBOA), and we hereby request that the Planning Department place this matter on the ZBOA's next regularly scheduled board meeting.

It is hereby acknowledged that we are foregoing the administrative 6-month extension request that is provided for within the Zoning regulations, and we are instead going directly to the ZBOA with this extension request. The purpose of this is to be as efficient as possible with your time as well as the Board's time.

Charity, thank you kindly for your continued assistance with this project.

Respectfully submitted,


Edward Friesen, Managing Member
Big Sky Cheese, LLC


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