Community Development Committee

City of La Crosse, WI 54601

Good Afternoon,

I am writing to you to ask for an extension for the project we are working on at 1003 25<sup>th</sup> Street La Crosse, WI 54601.

This past winter I was injured in a pretty serious truck accident that forced me into the hospital for a week. This also forced me to take from the 6<sup>th</sup> of December through the end of January off completely from work. Then, until the second week of March to be able to work for more then three to four hours a day. This caused us to fall behind on many fronts with this build.

There were several other things out of my control that delayed this project a well. Xcel Energy was contacted in late October to install the underground Electrical and gas to the project but with the alley repaving and the stoppage on digging through the streets they were not able to do so. I did have a temporary heat source installed through propane and that kept us building over the winter. We are apparently number five from Xcel Energy this spring but they have not even started planning for those as of 4/2/2019. With out the full services we will not be able to get occupancy from the building inspectors office. According to Xcel Energy they are hoping to have that in the beginning of May.

Due to the heat issue we were not able to hang sheetrock when we would have liked. This was simply because we could not keep enough heat in the building to not cause bowing of the sheetrock in the ceiling. Because we did not have sheetrock I could not order the kitchen or interior trims for the house. The sheet rock is being mudded and taped as of 4/2/2019. I have ordered the interior trim and scheduled flooring but that will not come in or be installed until 4/22/2019. Our deadline is currently 4/25/2019.

Many things compounded after I was injured and we are back on track with a slightly longer expectation to finish this project up.

I would like to request an extension of 6 weeks to button up this project. After speaking with my sub contractors and the city inspection department on what will be needed to obtain an occupancy permit I believe this will give me enough time to gain the occupancy permit granted.