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April 30, 2019

Dear Council Members:

Thompson Animal Medical Center, located at 4540 Mormon Coulee Rd. La Crosse, has operated as a veterinary clinic for nearly 40 years and as a pet boarding facility for 20 years. We are an AAHA accredited veterinary clinic. To be accredited by AAHA, our hospital must demonstrate an exceptional level of medical care and client service, and we are measured against the most rigorous standards in the veterinary industry. Only 15% of animal hospitals in the United States and Canada are AAHA accredited, and we're one of them!

Over the past couple years, we have found that our veterinary medical business has outgrown our current facility. We are in need of more room and cosmetic updates to both the interior and exterior of the building. We need additional examination rooms and additional workspace in our treatment area, as well as additional storage room.

Late last year, we contracted with Keller, INC to assist us in an update. They are a full service architecture, design and building firm that has built and renovated many veterinary clinics in Wisconsin. Our Project Manager there is Brad Allen. The architect on our project is Robert Lindstrom, AIA. After several meetings where we identified our needs; including additional exam rooms, a realigned work space, and more storage, our planning progressed towards implementation. We have elected to implement these changes in phases. This would allow us to continue servicing our patients uninterrupted. Our hope is that the first phase of construction begin this summer; pending permits and approval.

During the initial permitting process with the city of La Crosse, Mr. Allen learned that even though Thompson Animal Medical Center has been a veterinary clinic since 1980, at some point in the late 1990's the property was re-zoned commercial. We have come to learn that we need to seek a conditional use permit in order to proceed with construction and are seeking approval for that permit.

Attached you will find our application for a conditional use permit.

If you have any questions about our application or plans, please feel free to contact either Brad Allen or me. Brad Allen's phone number is 715-849-3141. His email address is ballen@kellerbuilds.com. I can reached at the clinic; 608-788-8820. My email address is TAMCManagement@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your consideration,

Gary Wiegel, DVM



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