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Scott McCullough, Director Planning Commission Lawrence-Douglas County Planning Office 6 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street Lawrence, Kansas 66044

RE: Approval Extension

FDP-01-02-07 - "Miracon Plaza Phase 1"

**Dear Scott and Commissioners:** 

According to our records, the extension granted by the Planning Commission on August 25, 2008 is to expire on August 26, 2010. On behalf of the owner, Tim Schmidt of OFF-PISTE, Inc., we hereby request a second two-year extension of the deadline for obtaining a building permit for the aforementioned Final Development Plan.

Due to the global, national and locally challenged economy, commitments on the part of potential commercial buyers and lenders are relatively scarce, despite continual interest. In light of the enormous investment necessary to achieve present approvals (i.e., planning, engineering and architectural design of proposed public and private site improvements, etc.), the additional time and resources to re-apply and undergo re-review of already approved plans would be a substantial burden upon the owner and would only exacerbate current conditions.

Because of the August 26 expiration date, we ask that this request for Planning Commission approval be placed on either the July 26, 2010 or the August 23, 2010 "miscellaneous" PC agenda.

Thank you very much for your consideration. Please don't hesitate to call this office with questions.

Respectfully,

Tim A. Herndon, Agent

cc: Tim Schmidt

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