From: Brad Albom

Sent: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 12:00 PM **To:** Web - City Clerk < CityClerk@cityoftracy.org>

Subject: Public comment for Closed Session Item BBS Adventures, WebEx Event Number: 2558 378 0765

Hi-

This is Brad Albom and I'm submitting a letter concerning the above City Council item to be heard later today. My schedule is not going to allow me to submit this in person or online, so my understanding is that it can be read into to proceedings before the closed session. If this is not the case or if there's a better way for this to be accomplished, please let me know.

Thanks, Brad Albom

Dear City of Tracy Council Members:

This letter is intended to support the effort on the part of Brandon Perry and myself to complete both the life and safety remediation work on the commercial building at 714 N Central Ave as well as the added request for repairs that were noted when the building was operating as a restaurant.

The former remediation work is nearing completion as evidenced by the various documents we've submitted and the on going inspection performed by the City of Tracy building department of the work of our contractor. The two remaining items of the remediation required another visit by our structural engineer to clarify construction details and commit them to paper. That has been done and our contractor is proceeding with their implementation. With this work completed, we have addressed all of the public safety concerns noted by the City of Tracy's consulting structural engineer as well as our own. As such, the building no longer poses any threat to public safety.

Up next will be our attempt to address the other, historic code repairs. Planning for this has been difficult as there is no longer an active business operating in the building and many of the code requirements were specific to that use. We have done our best to itemize and estimate that work but it is particularly challenging when we don't know what the next configuration and use of the building is going to be.

It is our primary objective to return this wonderful old building to productive and sales tax generating use as quickly possible. We are confident that it will be a welcome addition to old downtown Tracy's retail community. To this end, we are looking forward to communicating and cooperating with the City's building and other departments so we can come up with ways to speed this process.

We have expended a large amount of time and resources which we hope demonstrates our commitment to rehabilitating this part of Tracy's history. At this point, we are simply asking for the chance to continue doing so and to move towards a rebirth of this property.

Thank you for your attention, Brad Albom