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BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE LICENSED ARCHITECTS,
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS AND REGISTERED INTERIOR DESIGNERS OF OKLAHOMA

March 1, 2010

Ken Hutchins, Mayor
City of Guymon
219 NW 4th Street
Guymon, Oklahoma

Re: Brian Curtis/BC Studio Design, LLC

Dear Mayor Hutchins,

As you are aware, the Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects, Landscape Architects and Registered Interior Designers of Oklahoma (the "Board") recently conducted a formal hearing at which time charges were brought against Mr. Curtis in his individual capacity and against Brian Curtis Studio Design, LLC. The Board charged Mr. Curtis with practicing architecture in Oklahoma without a license and Brian Curtis Studio Design LLC of: (i) practicing architecture without possessing a valid certificate of authority as required by the state; (ii) fraud; and (iii) dishonest practice.

Following the formal hearing, Mr. Curtis, individually, and Brian Curtis Studio Design LLC were found guilty of all charges. A copy of the findings and order issued by the Board are enclosed for your review. In light of this fact, and recent statements posted by Mr. Curtis on the www.kkbs.com website, the Board felt that an additional response was in order.

Contrary to statements posted on the www.kkbs.com website and correspondence that may have been sent to members of the City Council, the Board considers the findings against Mr. Curtis of practicing architecture without a license and the findings against Brian Curtis Studio Design LLC of fraud, dishonest practice and practicing without a valid certificate of authority to be quite serious. The Board has not taken action to downplay the significance of these violations and does not consider these violations to be of the type that would arise from "common clerical errors."

It should also be noted that while anyone is free to contact the Board with a complaint, the enforcement committee of the Board conducts its own investigations and determines whether grounds exist for bringing charges. In this case, members of the enforcement committee investigated the matter and determined that adequate grounds existed to bring charges against Mr. Curtis and his firm.

"Our mission is to protect the citizens of the State of Oklahoma by regulating the professions of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Interior Design, promoting quality practice."

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It is the purpose of the Board to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and to enforce the Act and Rules as they relate to the practice of architecture in the State of Oklahoma. To imply that a person who reports a potential violation to the Board is doing so solely to attempt to maliciously cause problems while overlooking the fact that Mr. Curtis and Brian Curtis Studio Design LLC were found guilty of all charges seems to miss the point. As previously noted, the Board was created statutorily to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public and to protect the integrity of the profession. Practicing architecture without a license as well as the other charges brought against Mr. Curtis and Brian Curtis Studio Design put the health, safety and welfare of the public at issue in Guymon as well as the integrity of the profession. The Board considers these actions quite serious and would hope that more citizens would bring matters such as this to the Board's attention.

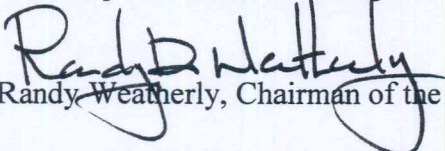
Finally, though the Board did not address this matter formally, an additional concern exists which warrants discussion. Specifically, the Board was concerned with the enforceability of the contract between the City of Guymon and Brian Curtis/Brian Curtis Studio Design LLC as well as liability issues that may exist with that contract. Simply stated, the contract the city entered into was with an entity that was prohibited by law from providing the services in Oklahoma and was in fact contracting to provide those very services. Furthermore, while the request for qualification issued by the City of Guymon required that proof of professional liability insurance be provided, it appears that the proof of insurance provided was for WXY Design LLC which is not a party to the contract. In addition, the proof of insurance does not appear to list either Brian Curtis or Brian Curtis Studio Design as an additional insured. As a result, it is unclear whether the professional insurance submitted would cover the contracting parties. Again, while the Board did not address these matters formally and offers no formal opinion, further discussions with the City of Guymon counsel may be in order to determine what impact the above concerns may present and how this matter may be addressed going forward. Again, any additional contracts the City of Guymon enters into is required to be licensed as an architect by law to have a valid certificate of authority from this Board for the practice of architecture.

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Should you need any additional information or we can be of service to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

The Board of Governors of the Licensed Architects,
Landscape Architects and Registered Interior Designers


Randy Weatherly, Chairman of the Board

Enclosures: Notice of Complaints and Hearing to Brian Curtis and BC Studios
LLC, Findings and Orders

xc: Jim Norris, Councilman, Ward #1
William King, Councilman, Ward #2
Randy Hinds, Councilman, Ward #3
Ted Graham, City Manager