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City of Columbia, Building and Site Development
Mr. Jerry East
701 East Broadway
Columbia, MO 65201

**RE: SIDEWALK CLOSURE REQUEST
COMMERCE BANK
901 EAST BROADWAY
COLUMBIA, MO 65201**

Dear Mr. East,

On behalf of Commerce Bank, 901 East Broadway, I am requesting review and approval of our application for sidewalk closure as submitted.

The scope of our project includes exterior building improvements to Commerce Bank at 901 East Broadway, including:

- Masonry repairs to the back side of the parapet walls.
- Removal, Replacement and Repair of existing Terra Cotta units on both the South and West exterior walls.
- Removal and Replacement of the storefront glazing systems on both the South and West exterior walls.

On Thursday, March 14, I presented a basic explanation and preliminary closure plans to the Disabilities Commission at their monthly meeting for their comments. In general, our approach was well received, and their comments were instrumental in preparing our final plan.

I believe our request to fully close the Ninth Street sidewalk during the construction period is of understandable concern. I have promised to provide a more detailed explanation of the work, material and equipment storage and project logistics to help everyone understand our plan and request is reasonable and necessary.

I will begin informing our neighbors of the upcoming scope of work and will acquire and provide their signatures of being notified as required.

I appreciate your input during the development of our plan and look forward to working with you and staff during the project to maintain a safe and productive working environment for our project team members and the public at large.

I look forward to our presentation to City Council and getting our project started very soon. Once you know for sure, please let me know which council meeting we are scheduled for.

Very truly yours,



Eric Westhues, AIA, LEED AP

