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To Brandon City Council,

We are writing this letter in support of the Brandon Islamic Centre's request for city water and sewer services to their planned development on the Southeast corner of 1st and Patricia Ave. This lot falls in the RM of Cornwallis where the only water source would be from wells. When the Centre begins scheduling meetings as well as hosting community gatherings, a well would not accommodate the required need for water.

The Islamic Centre requires a larger facility to accommodate the growing community in Brandon and surrounding Westman region. The new centre would provide the necessary space for prayer and hosting events with prepared food. In the Centre's current location, the kitchen is totally inadequate. The plan is to build a commercial kitchen for food preparation. The new location for the Centre would be available to be used by the wider community as well.


The new facility would be a huge asset for the Islamic community and Brandon. Our city would be more attractive to professionals such as doctors who are desperately needed in our community.

It has been explained to us that the Islamic community sold a parcel of land on 1st Street to the City for a proposed firehall and police station. We feel it would be supportive and reciprocal for the City to accept the request for extended services to the planned facility now.

The Brandon Islamic Centre has been a great supporter of the Brandon-Westman Christmas Cheer Board. They recognize that their members in the community required extra support and stepped forward to supply the Halal meat for our hamper program. The Centre values education by presenting scholarships to high school students in Brandon.

We support the request to have the City water and sewer services extended to the new Islamic Centre as the centre would benefit our Brandon community as a whole.

Thank you,


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