## CITY OF MARTENSVILLE DISCRETIONARY USE COMMENT FORM



September 18, 2019

To Whom it May Concern,

The Committee of the Whole is in receipt of a request for approval for a discretionary use within 75 metres of your property. A "Discretionary Use" – shall mean a use or form of development that requires the approval of Council based on a set of evaluation criteria as outlined in Zoning Bylaw 1-2015.

Under the Zoning Bylaw 1-2015, property owners within 75m of the subject property are entitled to make comments regarding this application.

Please be advised of the following:

NAME:	Jack Facca
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CIVIC ADDRESS: 228 Glenwood Terrace

**DISCRETIONARY USE:** HBB type 2 – Custom Guitars

The property owner is requesting Council to consider approving a Type 2 Home Based Business for a Custom Guitar Business.

Please submit all written comments to the City Hall Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm prior to October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 or you may choose to attend the Committee of the Whole meeting to be held:

**DATE:** October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 **TIME:** 5:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Martensville City Council Chambers at 37 Centennial Drive South

Concerns/Comments by neighbouring property owner on the Proposed Discretionary Use: We/I have reviewed the application and comment as follows: (Use additional page if necessary).	
Please check off one of the following:	Name(s): (please print)
I have no concerns with this proposal:	Civic Address:
I have concerns with this proposal:	Daytime Phone Number:
	Signature(s):
	Date:

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Return the attached Discretionary Use Comment Sheet to the City of Martensville via one of the following methods:

Postal Mail: Box 970

Martensville, SK

**SOK 2TO** 

Email:

planner@martensville.ca

Fax:

(306) 933-2468

Drop off:

Martensville City Hall located at 37 Centennial Drive South

\*The City of Martensville is not responsible for misdirected correspondence. When using the postal mail system, please ensure adequate time for delivery to ensure your comment forms are available for Council's consideration at the public hearing. Any correspondence received after the public hearing will not be considered applicable to this application.

Hello, my name is Jack Facca.

My wife Carrie and I moved to Martensville with our 2 daughters in 2017.

We have many good friends and family here and are thankful to call Martensville home for our family.

I'm here to ask for your approval of a type II business license for our home.

My wife and I have purchased Canada's original and oldest electric guitar company established in Saskatoon 1962.

This Custom Guitar Business produces an internationally known and acclaimed handcrafted electric guitar. It is affectionately known as the Rolex of Guitars due to its precision tolerances, innovative designs and attention to quality and detail.

This business successfully produced in limited quantities of around 100 per year. For 55 years Glenn and Janet McDougall Hand Crafted Guitars in the shop at their residential home in Saskatoon and it's still spoken about with great pride by their many long term neighbours.

Glenn McDougall was a mentor and a close personal friend of mine.

Unfortunately, he lost his battle with cancer on February 11th, 2017 26 hours before his 80th birthday. Glenn had been mentoring me in Guitar building up to the time of his passing.

Building guitars has been a dream of mine since I was teenager.

When I was given the opportunity to be mentored by the grandfather of the Canadian Guitar industry, I was extremely excited.

Over the 55 years of building guitars at their home, Glenn designed and custom-built dozens of machines as well as tool and dye systems.

Production technics and methods were developed to ensure the noise and environmental footprint of the equipment and materials used in building the instruments was far better than the required acceptable standards.

We have incorporated all of these innovations into our new building as well as a few more.

We have consulted with a well-known Saskatoon architect to ensure our building meets or exceeds all codes and is as energy efficient and environmentally sound as possible.

I would like to openly extend an invitation to any council member interested in viewing either of the facilities.

Glenn is no longer with us, but it is our intention to continue with his vision of excellence, and his legacy of uncompromising quality.

We're proud to be a part of the original Canadian electric Guitar born and raised in Saskatchewan. By applying the skills I have learned in my 30 plus years as a journeyman machinist, I'm confident Carrie and I will achieve this dream.

With your approval of our application, we can continue toward this goal.

The goal for the next 2-1/2 years is to learn and hone the craft of building guitars and design 2 new models for the grand opening of July 1, 2022 which is the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the business. Very few guitars will be made during this time and the first few years to come. "Keep it small, and keep it going" is the goal at this time. If ever the business would need to expand, a suitable business location in Martensville will be a long-term goal.

Thank you

Jack



