Saturday, February 13, 2021

To: City and Borough of Sitka

Finance ano/or lease Managing department

From: Christian Scantling and Deborah Wynsen

Re: 725 Siginaka Way

Eliason Harbor - Sitka

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are writing you this letter today to discuss the property we are currently leasing at the above mentioned address. We took over the lease from the former tenants in December 2019 to run a coffee shop out of the location at the harbor. Sadly, shortly after that Covid hit and although we did manage to get open around May, the season was devastated with lack of tourism and the fishing season too, charter and commercial was very poor, so we closed back down only 2 months after opening and have been closed since. We just learned recently that the cruise ship season has once again been terminated due to the continuing epidemic and so the chances of us reopening for the season are close to nonexistent.

So we are writing you today to request to be let out of our lease. We have maintained faithfully the rent on the premises and maintained the insurance as well. We have not been in default, nor are we threatening default on the lease we are just please asking to be let out of our lease amiably so that we will not be hindered by a financial burden that isn't producing anything. If you will agree to this we would like to end the lease on April 1st 2021 and surrender the property back to the city. That will give us time to vacate shortly the property of any of our belongings. We of course will make our timely March rent payment and keep insurance till the lease is evacuated.

If this is something we can work out with you please let us know and we will take care to responsibly and carefully close out the building.

Thank you sincerely,

Christian and Deborah.