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TO: Honorable Town Board

From: West Seneca Town Councilman Gene Hart

RE: Revision to Chapter 120. Zoning, Article IIA Industrial Park Overlay Review District

DATE: September 10, 2018

Fellow Town Board members, it may be in the best interest of the Town of West Seneca and its residents that Section 120-28.5, entitled Application Procedures for Restricted Use Permits in the Industrial Park, be rescinded or amended. It is, in my opinion, more appropriate that these projects be reviewed and approved under the auspices and procedures of the Town of West Seneca Planning Board. These changes will allow for a more complete review of any proposed project in the Industrial Park.

Time restrictions placed on the Building Department, Town Engineers and the Town Board by this section is unnecessary and counterproductive in the development of good projects located within the Industrial Park. It should be noted that, as currently structured, the Industrial Park Review Board restricts public input at the review phase of the project. Planning Board meetings by their nature requires public comment on all matters before the board. The current responsibilities of the Town Board to review and approve special use permits after a public hearing will not change.

Therefore I respectfully request that the Town Board authorize the Town Clerk and Town Attorney, at the earliest possible time, to schedule a public hearing to consider amending or rescinding Section 120-28.5 entitled Application Procedures for Restricted Use Permits in the Industrial Park Overlay District.

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