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Hello Mr. Westhues

I have forwarded your email to the City Clerk for inclusion in tonight's Council agenda. It will be up to Council as to how they handle the request for deferral.

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Subject: Council's handling tonight of request for deferral of PBD-2021-05

Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of Council,

On your agenda tonight is a request to "cancel/postpone" the public meeting scheduled for 4:30 PM on the Niagara Grandview Manor application to change by-laws so as to add satellite buildings to the existing inn. The request is open-ended. It does not say when an amended application will be submitted -- maybe next month, next year, five years from now, maybe never.

If Council treats this request in the normal way, as it usually treats requests for deferral of rezoning applications, it will grant the request.

In addition, if Council treats this request in the normal way, it will direct staff to enforce existing by-laws in the meanwhile – specifically in this case By-law 2015-51, which limits Niagara Grandview Manor to 12 rooms at one location, 5359 River Road, and excludes serving meals to anyone lodged elsewhere.

In an email to the city on 29 December 2020, published on tonight's agenda, the applicant boasts of "2500 rentals in the past five years of the satellite buildings," a use contrary to the existing by-law. Such illegal use of residential properties continues to the present.

Many residents of our city will be watching closely tonight, to see how Council deals with this request to "cancel/postpone": whether it treats the request in the normal way, without favouritism toward this applicant, or whether it plans to continue to exempt this applicant from by-law enforcement, as it has for the past five years.

Respect and kind regards,

Ken Westhues

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