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Good evening Kent -

I'm addressing this to you assuming that you will be chairing the meeting this week. I've cc'd Sara in the event that is incorrect and that my inquiry should be directed to her as Chair.

In either event, if you agree, I would like to request that the Board act on the offer of Planning and Urban Development Director Jeff Levine to provide more information by asking him to attend our meeting this week. Mr. Levine's letter regarding the Remasco Lane practical difficulty variance was included in our packet and I would appreciate the opportunity to hear from him. In particular, I would like to hear more about how he believes the request meets Standard 2, which requires the Board to find BOTH the absence of a variance would preclude a use otherwise permitted (i.e. a residential use in this case) and that the applicant would suffer significant economic injury.

I would also like the opportunity for Mr. Levine to elaborate on his reasons for writing to the Board at all, which seems an unusual step. He seems to have found this instance to be compelling and I would appreciate hearing more about that. Mr. Levine offered in his letter for the Board to alert him if any further information would be useful from him.

Thank you for the consideration.

Best regards,

-Chip Gavin