

To whom it may concern:

August 16, 2016

I am applying for a text Amendment for Artisan Manufacturing. Under your current Zoning Regulations my husband's business, woodworking, is considered an Industrial Business. I feel his particular business is far from "industrial" as it is a very small business of one owner and one worker in a small building.

I would like to see a change to the current ordinance to take into consideration different degrees of Industrial manufacturing. I would like you to look more closely to the "little guy" and not lump them into one classification.

Under the current ordinance it is creating a hardship for my husband as a sole provider for our family through his sole ability of woodworking to generate an income. He is currently renting ( the build does not even have air-condition) and instead of giving money to a landlord he would like to invest in a property he would own. You are telling him he has to buy or rent in an industrial zone which monetarily does not make sense for us. He does not have employees nor the need for commercial road frontage as he has no use for store front, customers do not come to him. My husband needs a building to build his product in. He would like to invest in some land to build a moderate building to meet his needs and be comfortable building in. It is an investment in our family's future. Please give us more zones to build in as we have exhausted the current areas and we cannot afford them.

Sincerely

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