

# Board of Commissioners of Cook County

118 North Clark Street Chicago, IL

# **Legislation Text**

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#### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

## R & W MACHINE CLASS 6B SUSTAINABLE EMERGENCY RELIEF (SER)

**WHEREAS**, the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development received and reviewed a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b Sustainable Emergency Relief (SER) application containing the following information:

Applicant: R & W Machine

Address: 6551 W. 74th Street, Bedford Park, Illinois 60638

Length of time at current location: 34 years

**Length of time property under same ownership:** 34 years

Is there evidence supporting 10 years of the same ownership and/or occupancy (tenancy): Yes

**Age of the Property (Building):** 34 years

Municipality or Unincorporated Township: Bedford Park

Cook County District: 11

**Permanent Index Number(s):** 19-30-200-026-0000

Municipal Resolution Number: Village of Bedford Park Resolution No. 20-016

**Evidence of Economic Hardship: Yes** 

**Number of blighting factors associated with the property: Excessive vacancies** - There is an above average vacancy rate in the area where the facility is located. **Deleterious land-use or layout-** The subject property was built in stages and lacks congruity. R & W grew, rather than leave the area, several additions were added in an attempt to accommodate the applicant. **Obsolescence** - Aging large machinery which is single-purpose and affixed to property and require specialized care and repair.

Has justification for the Class 6b SER program been provided?: Yes

**Proposed use of property: Industrial - Manufacturing:** R&W Machine has provided precision machining and manufacturing of large and complex parts such as gear boxes, bearing housings, railway axles and drive train components. including CNC machining services, for a wide variety of markets.

**Living Wage Ordinance Compliance Affidavit Provided: Yes** 

WHEREAS, the Cook County Board of Commissioners has adopted a Real Property Assessment Classification 6b Sustainable Emergency Relief (SER) that provides an applicant a reduction in the assessment level for a long-term

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existing industrial enterprise that meets the qualifications of the SER program; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Classification System for Assessment requires that an applicant under the Class 6b SER program provide evidence justifying their participation in the subject program; and

**WHEREAS,** Class 6b SER requires a resolution by the County Board validating the property for the purpose of the Class 6bSER Program; and

WHEREAS, the industrial enterprise that occupies the premises has been at the same location for a minimum of ten years prior to the date of the application for the Class 6b SER Program;

WHEREAS, the industrial enterprise that occupies the premises has submitted evidence of economic hardship to the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development supporting a determination that participation in the Class 6b SER Program is necessary for the industrial enterprise to continue its operations at its current location and maintain its staff, and without the Class 6b SER the industrial enterprise would not be economically viable causing the property to be in imminent risk of becoming vacant and unused; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is not receiving another Cook County Property Tax Incentive for the same property; and

WHEREAS, the municipality states the Class 6b SER is necessary for the industrial enterprise to maintain is operations on this specific real estate. The municipal resolution cites the qualifications of this property to meet the definition of the Class 6b SER program; and

**WHEREAS,** industrial real estate is normally assessed at 25% of its market value, qualifying industrial real estate eligible for the Class 6b SER can receive a significant reduction in the level of assessment from the date that the application is approved by the Cook County Assessor. Properties receiving Class 6b SER will be assessed at 10% of the market value for 10 years, 15% for the 11<sup>th</sup> year and 20% in the 12<sup>th</sup> year; and

WHEREAS, the applicant understand that the Class 6b SER classification is not renewable and also the applicant vacates the specific real estate while the Class 6b SER is in place the designation will terminate and the assessment level will immediately revert back to the 25% assessment level; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook, that the President and Board of Commissioners validate the above-captioned property is meets the requirements of the Class 6bSER Program; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the County Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Office of the Cook County Assessor