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I'm sending this email to you in regards to the Olbrich Beergarden. From what I've read with their year end report it sounds as that the business has outgrown its current location. They're having issues with parking. That discussion happened during the original conversation back in 2017 and 2018 and the owners were made aware of the fact that it's a public parking space they would have to accept that fact. From what I've heard is that the parking lot can not be expanded. If they are coming to the commission to ask for special permits so their staff and patrons can have access to parking spaces at that lot then that says they have outgrown their current location. If that's what they want preferential treatment then I want that as well. Yes the building is old and has outlived its usefulness but the owners of the Beer garden should have no say in the design of the new shelter house. If and when the new shelter house is being designed it should be designed with a generic business space included inside so that any business could open in it. If and when the design is started for the new shelter house a new RFP should be issued so anyone can apply to put their business in the shelter house. The current tenants should not be given preferential treatment to the existing location because of the park's department mission of diversity. Like I said. What I'm reading what the owners of the beer garden are saying is that they have outgrown their current location and in order for them to stay at the current location they want the city to give them certain incentives to stay. No. They might be paying a user fee for the property but they are not paying a monthly mortgage that almost all businesses do. No one knows for certain if they are even paying the utility bills for their business at their current location. Continue the current one year lease and when the new shelter house is being designed it should not be designed for the beer garden business it should be made available to anyone who would want to open a business there. Open up a new RFP. If you grant them special exemption for parking stalls then I want the same treatment. Are the owners of the beer garden going to help finance the new building or is it going to be just the taxpayers funding it? Two of the owners of the business don't live in the city of Madison and it doesn't affect their budget at all. If they can't accept a RFP being issued when the new building is being designated then it's simple. They can move and buy their own property and pay a monthly mortgage and pay the overhead that all bars have unlike what they are doing now. Yes I would like a response from you. Also how is it that you DO NOT have the technology to make your meetings available to people to participate online or by phone. I know of smaller organizations that comprise of maybe 30 people or so are able to have meetings in person online or by phone. The excuse that the city doesn't have the technology to have hybrid meetings is a lie. It's just a way to muzzle people's voices. News flash. Not everyone can attend your meetings in person. Not everyone has the internet to send emails. Not everyone has the internet to attend your meetings via zoom. By forcing people to attend your meetings in person is discriminating towards people who don't have access to the internet and can not attend in person. Tim Wagner