

September 11, 2017

The Honorable Scott Walker Office of the Governor 115 East Capitol #1 Madison, WI 53702

Subject: Potential Foxconn Development

Dear Governor Walker,

The City of Kenosha has been working diligently over the past few months with internal staff as well as numerous State and local support agencies planning for the potential development of Foxconn ("Project") in our community. The size and scale of this single development is un-paralleled. Throughout this planning process, we have been consistent in our belief that without significant adjustments to specific current State laws impacting local municipalities, we would be unable to support and/or absorb the development of the Project.

We have had numerous meetings and exchanged multiple communications with members of staff from the Department of Administration, the Department of Revenue, the Department of Transportation as well as leadership at WEDC and M7. We have provided documents detailing our needs to both the Assembly and the Senate throughout the committee process as well as testifying during the public hearings. Unfortunately, our voice has not been heard.

Although certain issues regarding the Tax Incremental District (TID) financing law have been addressed, many others have not. Issues related to certain types of expenditures allowed from the TID, limitations of specific amounts allowed for reimbursement from TID tax increments, uncontrolled incorporation of Towns, specific funding rules regarding Water Utilities, impacts to the State's Levy Limit law and the Expenditure Restraint program have all been ignored.

Based upon the current status of the legislative bill which addresses the Project, the City of Kenosha regrets that we will not be able to support this development in our community. We wish you, the State and Foxconn all the best in finding reasonable resolutions to all of the issues surrounding this project.

Sincerely,

CITY OF KENOSHA

John Antaramian

Mayor

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