



September 25, 2020

To: Mayor Josh Cohn & Rye City Council

Dear Mayor Cohn:

I am writing this to you to express my support of The Osborn's request for a zoning text amendment which is pending before the Rye City Council. As a lifelong resident of Rye, I know the importance of The Osborn in our community. They are a major employer and one of the largest single taxpayers to the city and the Rye City School District. As the president of the Rye Chamber of Commerce, I have had the pleasure and opportunity to work with The Osborn many times and want to ensure this Rye institution continues to be competitive and prosperous in the future.

As you know, there are many new senior living communities being built around Westchester County and in order for The Osborn to compete with these new facilities, they must modernize their amenity spaces for current residents and add new residences for future ones – all while being true to the integrity of their campus.

I believe that The Osborn is one of Rye's most valuable resources and must be allowed to adapt to changing needs and market realities. This is imperative for the Rye business community and the community as a whole. The fastest-growing part of the U.S. population is in the cohort that is 85 and over. If The Osborn is not able to make reasonable changes to their campus, it could jeopardize its future in years to come.

I would like to request that you share this letter of support with the entire city council prior to the next council meeting. Thank you for your assistance and for all you do for the city of Rye. Your efforts are appreciated.

Sincerely,

Tony Coash
President, Rye Chamber of Commerce