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**TO:** Michael Hanlon  
City Clerk

**FROM:** Ray O'Connell *ROC*  
Interim Mayor

**DATE:** August 24, 2018

**SUBJECT:** Authorities, Boards, Commissions Appointments

Mayor O'Connell has approved the following reappointment for City Council's consideration.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Authority/Board/Commission</u>	<u>Term to Expire</u>
Trent Sear	Zoning Hearing Board	09/06/2022

Mr. Sear is currently a member of this board. He serves as an alternate. I am attaching his resume for your consideration.

ROC/kal

Attachments

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**REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT**

**DATE April 4, 2018**

**AUTHORITY, BOARD OR COMMISSION YOU ARE REQUESTING APPOINTMENT TO:** ZONING HEARING BOARD: REGULAR or ALTERNATE or PLANNING COMMISSION

**NAME:** TRENT SEAR

**HOME**

**ADDRESS:** 514 N. 24TH ST., AVENTOWN, PA 18104

**BUSINESS**

**ADDRESS:** 5500 CAMP ME

**TELEPHONE NO. (RESIDENCE)** 610-462-7311

**BUSINESS** 610-282-1171 ext 1254

**EMAIL:** tjsear@yahoo.com

**PRESENTLY EMPLOYED**

**BY:** UPPER SAUCON TOWNSHIP, LEHIGH COUNTY

**JOB**

**TITLE:** ZONING OFFICER

**EMPLOYMENT**

**(Prior):** LUPC, CITY of EASTON. LOWER NAZARETH TOWNSHIP

**EDUCATION:**

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE:**

X

**YES**

NO

**COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY GRADUATE**

X

**YES**

NO

**DEGREE/FIELD OF STUDY**

PLANNING / PUBLIC ADMIN

**CURRENT MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS AND OFFICES:**

PLEASE REFER TO ATTACHED RESUME

PAST ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICES  
HELD: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE REFER TO ATTACHED RESUME

DO YOU LIVE IN THE CITY OF ALLENTOWN: ☒ YES ☐ NO

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED?

NO.

IF SO, WHY?

DO YOU HAVE A SIGNIFICANT "BUSINESS" OR "PROPERTY" INTEREST IN  
ALLENTOWN? PLEASE EXPLAIN:

NO.

ARE YOU A REGISTERED VOTER: ☒ YES ☐ NO

WHY ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THIS APPOINTMENT? BE SURE TO INCLUDE  
WHAT VALUE YOU WILL BRING TO THE BOARD:

IN RECENT YEARS, CERTAIN BOARDS & COMMISSIONS HAVE BEEN  
FUELED WITH CAMPAIGN DONORS AND POLITICAL ALLIES. I'M INTERESTED TO  
SERVE IF ALLENTOWN IS MOVING TOWARDS NON-POLITICAL, QUALIFIED APPLICANTS

DO YOU ANTICIPATE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST BY SERVING AS A MEMBER  
OF AN AUTHORITY, BOARD OR COMMISSION: ☐ YES ☒ NO

IF YES,  
EXPLAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

**IF YOU ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR REAPPOINTMENT, PLEASE INDICATE  
HOW MANY TERMS YOU HAVE SERVED \_\_\_\_\_ AND THE YEAR YOU  
WERE FIRST APPOINTED \_\_\_\_\_.**

**NOTE: This information will be used for making appointments to authorities, boards and  
commission and in the event you are appointed/reappointed, it may be used as a  
news release to identify you to the community.**

  
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**Signature**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**Please forward this request for appointment, along with a resume to:**

**Mayor'S Office  
City Hall  
435 Hamilton Street  
Allentown, PA 18101**

Trent J. Sear  
519 N. 24<sup>th</sup> Street  
Allentown, PA 18104  
610-462-7311 - [tjsear@yahoo.com](mailto:tjsear@yahoo.com)

- Education:** Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) Indiana, PA 15701.  
B.S. in Urban and Regional Planning with Minors in Geology and  
Political Science – May 1990
- West Chester University, West Chester, PA 19382. M.A. in Geography  
with emphasis on Community Planning – August 1992. Completed and published  
Master's Thesis.
- Experience:** Chester County Planning Commission, West Chester, PA 19380. Part-time  
Assistant Planner responsible for assisting staff in the Environmental, --  
Transportation and Local Planning Assistance sections with data collection and analysis.  
September 1990 – May 1992
- Lehigh Valley Planning Commission, Allentown, PA 18103.  
Environmental Planner responsible for report preparation and project  
reviews related to water supply and sewage facilities planning in Lehigh  
And Northampton Counties. May 1992 – September 1995
- City of Easton, Easton, PA 18042. City Planner responsible for grant  
writing, program administration, subdivision & land development  
review, tourism support, research and staff support to the City  
Planning Commission and Cultural Arts Committee. September 1995 - January 2003
- Lower Nazareth Township, Bethlehem, PA 18020. Planning & Zoning  
Administrator responsible for conducting Zoning Officer duties and to review and  
fully administer the subdivision and land development plans from plan submission  
to issuance of Building Permits. January 2003 - June 2005.
- Upper Saucon Township, Center Valley, PA 18034. Responsible for conducting  
Zoning Officer duties, review and write compliance reports on subdivision and  
land development plans, review permit applications and provide staff support to  
Zoning Hearing Board, Environmental Advisory Council, Park and Recreation  
Commission and Building Code Appeals Board. July 2005 – Present.
- Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC), East Stroudsburg University  
(ESU) and The Pennsylvania State University – Lehigh Valley (PSU-LV).  
Adjunct Faculty responsible for instructing Human/Physical Geography courses.  
Positions require subject knowledge, organizational skills and interpersonal/  
communication abilities. LCCC: September 2000 – May 2002. ESU:  
September 2003 – May 2004, PSU-LV September 2006 - 2012
- Activities:** PA L&I Certified Building Code Official #000804  
ICS Orientation & NIMS Certifications for Local Emergency Preparedness  
LANTA Board of Directors: 2002 – 2005