Iwicki, Brad

From: sally nurss

Sent: Monday, November 24, 2025 7:37 PM

To: Planning

Subject: Landmarking of First Congregational UCC

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This 1906 limestone church and bell tower has borne witness to almost 120 years of Naperville history. Its stained-glass windows commemorate members and families who were among Naperville's original settlers. It is architecturally and historically worthy of landmarking and preservation.

Sally Nurss

Naperville, Illinois 60563

Iwicki, Brad

From: Michael Chung

Sent: Tuesday, December 2, 2025 9:52 AM

To: Planning

Cc: Mabel Yin; Jodi Chung

Subject: I Support the Historic Preservation of First Congregational church Naperville

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Dear Planning committee:

The First Congregational Church in Naperville is a beautiful building that represents rich history for the city of Naperville. I fully support the government of Naperville to designate it as a historical landmark in the city of Naperville.

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Michael Chung

Iwicki, Brad

From: Anne

Sent: Wednesday, December 3, 2025 7:52 AM

To: Planning

Subject: Landmark status for 25 E. Benton (First Congregational Church)

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Dear Members of the Historic Preservation Commission -

I have lived in the Historic District and attended First Congregational Church for close to 40 years. When I first moved to Naperville, I was impressed with how proud the city was of its history. That seems to have waned in the more recent years. Granting Landmark status to the First Congregational Church would show again pride in history of this great city and the people who worked to make it so. Many of those who were instrumental in making Naperville what it is today attended First Congregational Church. Also the building is beautiful with lovely stained glass windows that glow when the sun shines through them.

Please grant Landmark status to this wonderful building and acknowlege its place in the history of this wonderful town.

Anne Swanson

DECEMBER 4, 2025, HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING POSITION STATEMENTS & WRITTEN COMMENTS

POSITION STATEMENT

SUPPORT

1. John Klein-Colins (Naperville) I am writing to support First Congregational Church UCC of Naperville's landmark status as it works to achieve historic preservation status for the sanctuary building. Our church, the oldest in DuPage County, has been in existence since 1833 and has stood on the right side of history as an open and affirming church. Many of the key central figures of Naper Settlement's history were also founders of FCC Naperville. As Naperville continues to grow, modernize, and evolve, we must be cognizant of its history and the folks who established many of the things we now either take for granted or don't often recognize. FCC Naperville is one such institution that has contributed to the fabric of our town, practicing love and justice and working for social change.