Staff of Naperville's Planning Department,

First and foremost, I would like to thank you all for your time and consideration on this matter. I would like to propose the fence height for the Remington Tallgrass HOA subdivision be approved for 10' instead of 9'.

After carefully reviewing the general zoning handbook, I am aware that clauses 6-2-12:1.6-1.7 state that fences along a major arterial roadway may not exceed 9' in height. While the fence that was installed approximately two months ago on Saganashkee Ln does back up to Route 59, there have been no issues with patrons that are driving on the roadway. The homeowners that reside in Tallgrass also have no issues with the fence height, in fact, they do prefer it over their last fence, which was 9' in height.

All of the homeowners prefer a 10' fence because many of them have small children. It is crucial that taxpayers can utilize their backyards comfortably without concern or worry for the safety of their loved ones. There have been many instances of children playing in their backyards and deciding to climb their fence. These instances have led to severe injuries, and unfortunately, some have ended fatally. Since the backyards do back up to a major roadway where passengers are driving at least 45-55 miles per hour, we would like to continue to keep the fence at 10' in height to ensure the safety of the families and their children that reside on Saganashkee Ln. We also have to take into consideration the amount of people that utilize Route 59 while intoxicated, since there are ample bars in the vicinity surrounding Tallgrass. There are many instances of DUI's occurring on this roadway, one being as recent as last week. The fence being a foot higher than the regulation ensures additional safety for the homeowners families from reckless drivers, and the stronger structure of the taller fence would provide additional safety as well.

Another reason that the 10' fence is preferred is because it acts as a better site and sound barrier. Route 59 is occupied by a lot of semi trucks, resulting in bright headlights that are constantly shining in the homeowner's windows, which is accompanied by loud noises that are comparable to the sound of a freight train. All of the homeowners have jobs and children, and these noises often wake them up at night and disrupt their sleep schedule. With the fence being an additional foot higher than what the zoning ordinance requires, it results in better peace and quiet for the residents of Tallgrass subdivision, which is what every resident should experience.

A 10' fence would ensure safety for all involved and solve a lot of issues that they experienced with their previous 9' fence. The height does not hinder any distractions for those driving on the major arterial roadway. It simply acts as a barrier of safety and sanity for the homeowners and loved ones that occupy the homes on Saganashkee Ln. I hope you consider my proposal and if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

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