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95th Street at Book Road Intersection
Intersection Improvements
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I am shocked at how far this project has progressed. As a homeowner who will be dramatically impacted by the 95th St / Book Rd expansion, I have great concerns re increased traffic volume and increased noise. We can't have our windows on Book Rd side open as it is. Cars speed down Book Rd and there's been an increase in the number of semis using Book Rd. Sound studies are critical before this project is approved. Sound ^{OVER →} barriers are necessary. Must →

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importantly, neighbor concerns need to be heard and addressed. It's been very difficult to get answers. Shockingly, very few of the people directly affected by the expansion are even aware of it. A sound and privacy barrier will be necessary for Book Rd.



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The traffic on Book Rd is very loud and dangerous to local children. The answer/solution is not to increase traffic flow on 95th ^{& Book}. Your plan is flawed and at our expense and peril. You need to fix Rt. 59 and 75th so drivers do not "cut through" our residential area via Book to get through faster. The only bad times on 95th & Book are during rush hour. This is due to through traffic. Your project will reduce my property value, increase noise, and turn this area into a version of ^{OVER} Rt. 59. This is bad. We do not want more traffic. →



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If the goal of this project is to increase residential noise, it will be a success. If it is supposed to improve traffic flow, I believe it will be a failure. Housing being proposed and built south of 95th Street will increase traffic in the area. However, Book Road is 2 lane and people living in that area will go straight if they use Book Road. "Improving" this intersection will not help.

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Plainfield Naperville Road is already 4 lanes to 111th street and could easily be extended to 119th street as there is farm land on both sides. Also, lanes should be added to state highway 59 below 95th street. There looks like land has been set aside to do so, at least to 103rd street.

I heard that extending Book Road from 111th street to 119th street is being considered. Bad idea! It would guarantee additional traffic on 2 lane Book Road which already backs up past Joyce Lane during rush times. When I want to go to 95th street during rush hours, I need to go east on Joyce to Solix, then to 95th street because going West and turning left is a problem.



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Please see attached letter.

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**Comments on Proposed Expansion
of Book Road near 95th Street Intersection**

Dear Ms. Dunne:

Our family lives at 23144 Joyce Lane at Book Road, and we just found out about the planned expansion of Book Road, adding more through lanes, for two blocks north and south of 95th Street in Naperville; per the proposal shown at <http://www.naperville.il.us/95thbook>. Naperville never notified us of the proposal.

Our family, and the entire neighborhood, will be harmed by the proposed increase in the number of through lanes. First, it makes no sense to expand the width of a highway for only four blocks. There are two possible perceived benefits for doing so: first, to increase traffic velocity on Book Road and, second, to decrease the number of accidents at the intersection of Book Road and 95th Street.

However, adding additional lanes for a short, four-block stretch of road for the purpose of increasing traffic flow on that road is like trying to increase the flow of water in a 1" pipe by splicing a short length of 2" pipe into the middle of the length of 1" pipe. No matter how large one makes the splice, it cannot increase total flow at all.

However, the proposed short splice will increase the velocity of flow in the splice. The four-black splice on Book Road will succeed in increasing velocity exactly at the intersection and nowhere else, thereby increasing the number of accidents at the intersection. We already have 22 accidents each year at that intersection. We do not need more.

Since the proposed expansion of through lanes at the intersection does not make sense by itself, it seems to be a trojan horse for a planned, unannounced expansion of all of Book Road. And that would be a disaster for all of the many residential neighborhoods along Book Road. The traffic on Book Road already moves at 50+ mph (through residential neighborhoods) and is quite dangerous for children and the elderly, and for everyone at night. And it sounds like an expressway, with roaring trucks and speeding cars at all hours of the day. Book Road is far and away the most negative influence on quality of life and on property values in our neighborhood. Crime is not a problem. Shopping is good. The schools are good. The neighborhood so far has been stable. The worst problem of all is Book Road. We are not the only ones who understand this. See, for example, <https://www.dailyherald.com/news/20190618/neighbors-fear-south-naperville-road-expansion-could-worsen-traffic>, in which our neighborhood's peril is explained well by our community leaders, Tom and Kathy Verdone.

Any expansion of Book Road could only make a bad problem worse. For one thing, it would require expensive sound-barrier walls all along Book Road, like

those sported by the unfortunate residential neighborhoods along Ill. Hwy 59. And that would not solve the problem of increased pollution and danger, and it would be ugly. Any expansion obviously would decrease the quality of life and property values of everyone living in our neighborhood.

Please feel free to call us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Robert Stone



Cynthia Stone



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We live within the proposed area of improvement. With this improvement comes more traffic and noise on Book Rd. This will become more of a thoroughfare for cars to avoid other major streets. Please consider putting sound barriers along Book Rd so the residents will have a relief with the noise and some privacy.

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I'm against the intersection expansion.
 It's expensive & Makes no sense on
 any level.

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THIS OPTION #3 IS NOT AN IMPROVEMENT
IT IS MORE THAN OBVIOUS THAT IT WAS
CHOSAN NOT TO ALLEVIATE CURRENT CONGESTION
BUT TO ACCOMMODATE FUTURE WIDENING
OF BOOK RD TO ALLOW FOR MORE N TO S
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Book road is already very loud and allows access to our
private property. Expanding the road would only cause more
noise and be a further invasion of privacy.

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I AM NOT IN FAVOR OF THIS EXPANSION
PROJECT AND MANY OTHERS HAPPENING
IN SW NAPERVILLE FOR A MYRIAD OF
REASONS. THANK YOU

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Section 18-00171-00-CH
CIP # SC196

May 21, 2019

Dear Thomas and Catherine Verdone:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the City of Naperville is presently in the preliminary engineering phase of a study for the improvement of the 95th Street at Book Road intersection. This project is tentatively scheduled for construction in 2021.

It is the policy of the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and the City of Naperville to allow interested or affected persons an opportunity to comment on this project during the early stages of project development.

Based on a review of the tax record of Will County, you are identified as the owner of the property located at the southeast quadrant of the intersection of Book Road at Joyce Lane.

The proposed improvement generally consists of widening Book Road from one to two lanes in each direction at the intersection with right turn lanes added to all approaches. The traffic signals will be replaced to accommodate the additional lanes. Pedestrian accommodations will be improved. The proposed right-of-way that is to be acquired from your property for this improvement is indicated on the enclosed preliminary plan sheet. The right-of-way acquisition is needed to replace sidewalks and regrade the adjacent ground as a result of Book Road widening.

At the end of this letter is an area where you can indicate your comments, if any. Please indicate the appropriate response and return one copy via mail or email. If no response is received within 21 days, it will be construed as a "no comment" response.

Upon completion of the study, a report will be prepared describing the proposed work and submitted to IDOT for approval. After approval is received, the City will proceed with the plan preparation and land acquisition phase. In that phase, a representative of the City of Naperville will contact you regarding any necessary acquisition.

Please note that your response or lack thereof will in no way influence the amount of compensation you will receive for your property if acquired as part of the project.

If you have any questions or would like to request further discussions with the City, please contact: Kelly Dunne, Project Engineer, City of Naperville, TED Business Group, 400 S. Eagle Street, Naperville, IL 60540
dunnek@naperville.il.us



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Check the appropriate response:

_____ I have no comments at this time.

_____ I have noted my comments below.

Signature of Owner

Date

PIN: 07-01-02-305-001

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July 2nd, 2019

City of Naperville
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Naperville, IL 60540

RE: Letter of Opposition to Book Road/95th Street Expansion, Naperville, IL

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing to oppose the planned expansion at the intersection of Book Road and 95th Street in Naperville, IL. As a family that lives directly on Book Road, we feel this plan will have a detrimental impact on our home and most importantly, create an unsafe environment for our small children.

Book Road is Not the Same as Route 59 or Plainfield-Naperville Road

First, we would like to point out something that is obvious to those of us that live on or around Book Road. Book Road runs north and south just like Route 59 and Plainfield-Naperville-Road that is where the similarity ends. Unlike Route 59 and Plainfield-Naperville Road, Book is a two lane road with one running north, one running south and occasional turning lanes. It was recently pointed out to us that Book has been described as a “Minor Arterial” rather than a “Major Arterial” (95th Street) or “Strategic Regional Arterial” (Route 59) by the City of Naperville.

Minor v. Major v. Strategic Regional

As a minor arterial, Book Road has many more residential homes which results in more residents entering and exiting their homes onto Book Road than Route 59 and Plainfield-Naperville. More residents also means more children being bused to school with pickups on Book Road. Within a half block of our home, there are at least ten children waiting on Book Road for their bus pickup. Please consider taking the time to review how many residential homes exist on Book Road versus Route 59 and Plainfield-Naperville Road.

Planned Increased Traffic Flow Will Likely Result in More Speeding and Accidents on Book Road

We understand that the proposed plan to open up the intersection at Book Road and 95th Street is to increase the flow of traffic. In reality, we fear it will result in higher speeds up and down Book Road creating dangerous conditions for the residents on and around Book Road.

Currently, the speed limit from 75th Street to 87th Street is 50 MPH which is fine as it goes past an open forest preserve and golf course. Once drivers hit 87th Street they are supposed to decrease their speed to 40 MPH but that rarely seems to happen. It appears that drivers that have a green light at 87th Street proceeding south on Book Road tend to maintain their speed at 50+MPH.

As planned, the construction will open up the flow of traffic allowing those drivers to continue their speed into the Book Road and 95th Street intersection. Given the multiple businesses at the intersection and constant flow

of residents leaving the commercial parking lots, a dangerous situation is likely being created by the planned construction.

Reality v. Versus Representations

As a family that lives on Book Road, we have the most experience as to what takes place on the roadway. We are able to observe this firsthand while we wait for one of our children to be picked up for school each morning during the school year. As such, we have never seen a “traffic jam” on Book Road in the morning.

As to “rush hour” traffic, while there was construction being done at Plainfield-Naperville Road and 95th Street there was a lot more traffic on Book Road causing daily delays and “traffic jams” but since the completion of construction, the traffic on Book Road has decreased significantly. We would like to point out that it appears the Book Road “Study” was completed during the time of the Plainfield-Naperville Road and 95th Street construction resulting in misrepresentations in the report of the traffics flows at Book Road and 95th Street. We would suggest another study of Book and 95th now that construction has been completed at Plainfield-Naperville and 95th Street.

Maintaining a Quiet Residential Road

An additional concern relates to the likelihood of increased traffic and noise on Book Road after the completion of the proposed Book and 95th expansion. For those of us that work from home frequently or full time, additional noise will serve as a disruption to our work and the overall enjoyment of our homes. Increased traffic will result in increased noise and the daily disruption of our relatively quiet residential road.

We thank you for taking the time to consider our concerns and opposition to the proposed Book Road/95th Street expansion.

Sincerely,

Saya Sampanthan & Theresa L. Garthwaite

Tom and Cathy Verdone

23155 Joyce Lane (Southeast corner of Book Rd and Joyce Lane)

7/3/19

95th Street and Book Road intersection Expansion

Comments

As we have expressed previously, we don't feel that adequate studies or notification to residents has occurred regarding this proposed intersection expansion. When we attended a meeting on June 6, 2019, we were under the impression that this was an informational meeting, similar to one we attended in September, 2018, not a vote to push this proposal from engineering to the transportation advisory board. It appears the City definitely needs to improve on their means of communicating clearly what is taking place, not just provide a date and time but actually state the purpose of the meeting or, more importantly, if a vote is to occur.

We are very concerned that the proposed expansion of the intersection is going to create more problems than it solves. Thru lanes in addition to right turn lanes will create a greater hazard for pedestrians.

Our land and home will be dramatically affected by both the construction time and the ultimate completion of an expansion. We will lose extensive landscaping as well as a permanent part of our property. In addition, the best we can get is that the time frame for construction, which will be right outside my home office window, is "one construction season".....that does not help much.

I work from home and my office is on the Book Road side of our house. We have lived in this house for 13 years and the entire time I have worked from home. I can tell you first hand the volume of traffic has dramatically increased to include semis, large trucks and more cars.

I want to give you just one example of our deep concern regarding this proposed intersection expansion. The Traffic projections provided by the city show existing daily traffic (2018) of 17K cars travelling north on Book Road and 18K cars travelling south on Book Road. However, the noise study depicts Book Rd, specifically near our residence, as being in a quiet residential area. This may be true late evening, overnight, or early morning but I can assure you that traffic is constantly moving (as your Traffic Projection depicts) and, yes, it is quite loud. I can hear a semi before I see it out my window. We don't open the windows on the west side of our house because of the traffic noise, I say this as yet another semi passes by our house. The current noise level must be addressed. The Traffic Projections and noise study do not align.

It does not seem that resident input is an important part of the process. It seems like our questions are deflected and our concerns are not being considered as they pertain to this project.

We have spoken with many neighbors up and down Book Road and have not found a single one who was aware that this project had expanded to the point of possible implementation.

We'd like to think as residents who will be directly affected by a project that we would have some input.