

August 13, 2025

Allison Laff, Deputy Director of TED
City of Naperville
400 S. Eagle Street
Naperville, IL 60540

Re: Karis Critical– 1960 Lucent Lane- Case DEV-0057-025

Dear Mrs. Laff,

On Tuesday August 5th we hosted a resident meeting at the Northern Illinois University Naperville Campus regarding the above-referenced project. 137 Invitations for the resident meeting were mailed, including every home in Indian Hill Woods, Danada Woods Townhomes, and the townhomes in Naper Commons. Only a small number of these homeowners (32) will receive a mailed notice of public hearing (Per Naperville Code), but the resident meeting invite was intentionally over-inclusive.

The resident meeting was run as an open-house format from 6pm to 7:30pm. We set up 5 stations, divided by subject matter, around the perimeter of the room. The stations included: 1) Karis introduction & Data Center 101; 2) Naperville Zoning & I-88 Corridor Plan; 3) Site Plan & Architectural Elevations; 4) Environmental Studies; and 5) Fiscal & Economic Impacts. A project representative provided overview information at each station and was available to answer any resident questions.

The meeting was well attended, with approximately 50-60 guests throughout the evening. I think it was a productive meeting. There was a good dialogue with the residents, and I believe that the Karis team was able to dispel some of the inaccurate information that has circulated on social media. In particular, I think residents appreciated the fact that the proposed 72MW data center is a boutique type facility- very different in size, scale, and impact from 1,000+MW hyperscale data centers generally being discussed in the news media. I also think residents appreciated the studies that had been completed to address environmental concerns such as electrical capacity, water usage, and noise. In response to resident inquiries, we are currently developing additional resources on light pollution.

Sincerely,

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