

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:04 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for Mosque at 248th Avenue-Naperville

From: Faraz Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:02 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for Mosque at 248th Avenue-Naperville

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Dear Sir or Madam,

My name is Faraz Khan, and I am a local CPA and Adjunct Professor in the community. I am writing to you in favor of the zoning approval to continue the build of the Naperville Mosque. Our community desperately needs a new, larger place of worship, and this would be the perfect site. I know there are other parties that are against the approval, but they do not have a specific reason to oppose. Please grant the approval. Thank you.

Regards,

Faraz A. Khan, CPA, CMI
[REDACTED]

Sent from Outlook

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:04 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: PZC#20-1-052,islamic center of Naperville

-----Original Message-----

From: Farheen Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:03 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: PZC#20-1-052,islamic center of Naperville

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To whom it may concern;

I've been a resident of Naperville for the last 12 years, and proud to say I've been very happy with everything Naperville has to offer to its residents.

As a devout member of the Islamic Center of Naperville I feel that with the growing number of of Muslims we need another facility for our congregation. This will enable us to use each facility to its capacity.

I support building the facility on 248th Avenue, assured that the Islamic center of Naperville will abide by the bylaws of the city.

Sincerely,
Farheen Khan

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:03 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: I Support 248th Masjid Project

-----Original Message-----

From: Haseeba Ilham [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:56 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: I Support 248th Masjid Project

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Dear Naperville Planning and Zoning Commission,

My name is Haseeba Izzath Nayeem and I have lived in Naperville for more than 5 years. I moved to Naperville on June 2015, where I attended Metea Valley High School for my final year of high school. I have lived here since and just recently graduated from Benedictine University on May 2020.

Over the years, I have grown to love the Naperville community and I am happy to call it home. One of the things I admire about our city is the diversity and the good interfaith relations.

I wholeheartedly support the 248th Masjid Project. I believe this project is necessary for our growing community. This project will enrich our ICN community and provide a safe environment for our future generations.

I truly appreciate all the support from the city council. Your support made our ICN community possible and allowed us to contribute to our city as a Muslim community.

Best Regards,

Haseeba Izzath Nayeem

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From: Planning
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To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: About 248th street Mosque

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From: abeer Asif [REDACTED]
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Subject: About 248th street Mosque

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Respected Commissioners

I want to write in support of 248 th street Mosque project which is going to be discussed at upcoming planning and zoning meeting on Jan 20th.

I am a mother of 4 kids and came here few years back to raise them in this beautiful and diverse community and so far am very satisfied. As a member of my Muslim community I feel an a strong need to bring up my kids in a way which is befitting to American values of religious freedom and responsibility and becoming productive member of our community. This Mosque will provide that space to teach and raise many kids like mine. I hope to see faith not fear unite us as community in this time of stress and divide.

Thanks for listening

Abeer Asif.

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From: Planning
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From: nabil kassar [REDACTED]
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To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support

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This is Mohamad Alkassar I would like to inform you that I support the248th project because it's a good way to say hello to Moslems to become a strong rock against the terrorism

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:03 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Center of Naperville's 248th Project

From: Ali Ala [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:11 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville's 248th Project

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Hi,

I hope you are doing well. My name is Ali Ala and I am a high school freshman. I've been living in South Pointe for six years now. I wanted to reach out and express my concern regarding the Islamic Center of Naperville's 248th project.

ICN has many programs for people of all ages and I and other high schoolers have significantly benefited from them. For example, ICN has held youth talks for all ages, basketball camps, and boy scouts, which I have been a part of. In boy scouts Troop 99, we visited a stream and picked up the garbage there and went camping where I learned many essential skills. ICN has continued to serve the community and needs more space to accommodate our growing community. I hope that the 248th project will be approved so that ICN can continue to serve.

Thank you,

Ali Ala

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From: Planning
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Please allow the 248th masjid to be built by the Islamic center of Naperville. There are many Muslim homes located near 248th more than any other facility, and the mosque will provide education, services for the needy, religious services, and much more benefits to everyone in the area. For example ICN mosques are frequently used for clothing and food drives for everyone in the area and provide relief for those that need it. Thank you

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:03 PM
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Subject: FW: 248 project

From: Haniya Husein [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:13 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 project

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As a resident of White Eagle, I support ICN's 248 project. I feel that it is very beneficial for our inclusive and diverse community to continue with the project.
- Haniya Husein

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:03 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 245th Masjid Project

From: HBSHAH [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:53 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 245th Masjid Project

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Dear commission,

We moved to this area from Lombard 15 years ago when the 95th masjid project was in the infant stages. We were very saddened when the plans got changed. We wanted a village to help us raise our kids.

A centre plays a critical role in our daily lives and in the upbringing of morally sound youth.

I trust that the commissions can foresee the benefit to the community in large and are supportive of the project. Thank you.

Haroon B Shah DMD
Oswego,IL

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:03 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Proposed mosque at 248

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From: Mona Waheed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:15 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Proposed mosque at 248

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Planning and zoning commission members:

I am a physician who moved with my family to Naperville for its diversity, schools, proximity to Chicago and for the Islamic Center of Naperville. I have been proud to serve as a volunteer physician for the Islamic Center of Naperville Free Clinic, which provides care for uninsured and underinsured patients of all denominations and all cultures.

Over the last year I have sadly noticed an increase in discrimination and blatant bigotry in our Naperville community, including people who object to women who wear hijab (including myself.) Naperville, which was once heralded as a haven for diversity, has unfortunately become nationally known for some incidents of bigoted behaviors over the last year.

It has been gut wrenching to hear of this new objection to construction of the 248th street Mosque, which seems to be targeted as part of a larger anti-Muslim, bigotry campaign. Our Muslim community has been such an asset to Naperville, including physicians, lawyers, business owners, excellent students, and other professionals. This most recent attempt to block construction is likely unrelated to concerns about the number of parking spots; rather it is another way to discriminate and prevent a particular group of people from exercising their right to worship. I sincerely doubt these same objections would have arisen were it any other place of worship.

Please do the right thing and remind everyone that diversity and people of ALL faiths rightfully belong in Naperville by allowing construction of the mosque to occur.

Respectfully,

Mona Waheed, M.D.
Advocate Medical Group

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:03 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN

From: Feryaal Tahir [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:51 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN

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Hello,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to you regarding the planning and zoning for the Islamic Center of Naperville 248th ave project. I have lived in Naperville my entire life. I am glad to call Naperville my home. Recently there was a concern regarding the land of our future 248th project. The future 248th ave mosque will be a place for our community members to learn, socialize, and worship. As a member of the youth of ICN I would like to please ask you to consider giving ICN a chance for this property. Myself and many of my friends directly benefit from the great programs of ICN. We need this property in order to accommodate the growth of the ICN community. There are several churches and other religious properties in Naperville however, we only have 3 mosques. There are thousands of Muslim families in Naperville. The land of 248th ave will help us grow our spaces for our community. Being a Muslim student, the mosques in Naperville allow me to have a space where I can learn and practice my faith. This mosque is the future of the Naperville Muslim youth and will be a great way for the community to gather. Please consider giving ICN a chance for this land.

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for ICN Build out at 248th

From: Ayesha Hasan Syed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:16 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for ICN Build out at 248th

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Greetings!

I'm a resident of Tall Grass Community.

I extend my support to ICN build out at 248th st. NAPERVILLE.

Because in these difficult times of pandemic, the project would create a lot of construction jobs as well as management /administration jobs in future.

In addition, this will be the first quality religious school in western subs for Muslim community.

Regards,
AYESHA SYED

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Our home Naperville!!

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From: Sajid [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:51 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Our home Naperville!!

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Yes....our kids grew up in this community. We were able to give them the best of the intellectual and spiritual environment and thanks to the community.

We want to see the coming together of our community center and our sincere thanks for making it an inclusive and forward thinking community.

Blessed being part of this land!!
Cheers

SAJID CHHOTANI
ASHBURY RESIDENT
20 YEARS

Sent from my iPhone

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Subject: FW: Mosque project

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From: Abrar Husain [REDACTED]
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Dear City of Naperville

The Islamic Center of Naperville has been trying to build a Mosque in south Naperville and this letter is in support of this effort. Naperville is an inclusive community that supports all religions to freely worship and have centers for gathering. The future mosque was a reason I bought a home in the Ashwood Neighborhood. Mosques and other places of worship have been shown to improve the quality of life, economy, and safety of the people in a community. I ask for approval to building of this house of worship and to please not give into fear and xenophobia.

Thank you

Abrar Husain MD

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN Project on 248th

From: Mir Asif Alikhan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:19 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN Project on 248th

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Respected Planning and Zoning Commission members,

I am a practicing oncologist with my practice far away from Naperville around 90 miles West, but my wife and I decided to buy a house in Naperville in 2006 to raise our 4 kids in the dynamic diverse Naperville community which has a lot to offer.

The first and the primary reason was excellent school district and diverse community.

The reason to buy a house in the Tall Grass subdivision was the fact that there was a plan to build a mosque on the huge plot of land adjacent to 248th Ave which had a Church on it.

We never thought it would be an issue to build a Mosque since it already had a place of worship.

We have been fortunate to have Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) which is not just simply a place for worship but offers lot of other activities such as Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts meeting, Gavel Club, basketball court, weekly meetings of different age groups including teenagers, adolescents, older adults, women, senior citizens and a lot more.

The Open Mosque day at ICN is a signature event which allows over 1000 people of different faiths to interact with us directly and learn the true teachings rather than getting info from biased media.

These kind of activities have helped our community to be focused and help raise our kids to become responsible citizens with good spiritual connection as well.

Testimony to that is the fact that my wife and I feel so privileged to have our kids succeed and become productive citizens.

Two of our kids are MDs from prestigious Residency programs.

My only son is an Eagle Scout, thanks to ICN Troop 99.

Our children attended the weekend ICN school as students then as Teaching Assistants.

I know of many families who moved to Naperville just because of ICN.

The community has expanded and need bigger space to hold not only congregation prayers but the activities which I have listed above to nurture our kids to become responsible citizens.

In this day and age it is necessary for kids especially teenagers to be focused and channelize their energy in a productive way.

They need mentoring in a space other than their homes and schools where they can develop spiritually as well for the good of humanity at large

I hope the Planning and Zoning commission will consider giving approval for the ICN project.

I do believe the objections raised by other members of the community could be addressed and taken care of.

Sincerely

Mir Alikhan , MD FACP

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 mosque

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From: Farheen Kabir [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:47 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 mosque

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Hello, my name is Farheen Kabir and I am sending this email in support of the 248 mosque project. I live in Naperville, our community is expanding and we need more space for religious and community work. 248 mosque is a big project, hopefully it will be able to meet the educational and religious needs.

Thanking You
Farheen Kabir
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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support ICN Naperville 248 Project

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From: Mairaj Syed HR [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:23 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support ICN Naperville 248 Project

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To,
The Planning & Zoning Commission,
Naperville, IL

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Mairaj Syed a resident of Plainfield, IL on route 127 which is close to 248th street Masjid project.

I look forward to staying near my faith based community center/Masjid so me and my family can participate and pray and contribute towards health family life and fulfill my responsibility.

I would humbly request you to help and support the new 248th Masjid project for the current and future generations faith needs.

Thanks,
Mairaj H. Syed
Plainfield, IL
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: NAPERVILLE 248th project Zoning

From: Azam infa [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:47 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: NAPERVILLE 248th project Zoning

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Hello Sir/Madam,

A little brief about myself, my name is Mohammed Azam ,currently working as Senior Network Consultant Engineer and have been living in Naperville for past 10 years now.

Along with good community and schools that Naperville offers, one of the major reason for me to move to naperville is "ICN(Islamic Center of Naperville)" with the help of this community, I have learned so much and contributed to our naperville society especially in time's like this i.e. COVID19-Pandemic.

With the help of ICN, we have distributed approx about 7000 meals to any needed family/person in midst of a pandemic from April 2020 to May 2020.

We were fortunate to have started the first ever "Help senior initiative" program in Chicagoland, which is still ongoing and was covered by chicago tribune and NCTV17 and other organizations.

We have contributed and envision of contributing more, to and for the Naperville society. So we can prosper together with unity, faith and "HOPE".

HOPE - Is what this ICN 248th project offers to our future generation.

The ICN 248th project play a vital role by passing on the value we nourish and cherish with our heart and soul to the future generation who will be learning from this educational institution when its established with your approval.

I really hope for positive feedback to move forward with this project.

Yours Sincerely,

Mohammed Azam

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Street mosque

From: Burnt Sayeed [REDACTED]
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I support the building of this center as it will bring countless opportunities to the community of naperville. It is a right for freedom of practicing religion. Interfaith communities strengthen the tolerance of others. This center will bring about the education of muslims as well as others. Opportunities are not limited to only muslims but rather are open to everyone to come together and solve modern issues facing our community.

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From: Planning
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Subject: FW: Mosque on 248th Street

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To The Planning and Zoning Commission

I am a resident of Ashwood Park in Naperville. I fully support the construction of this Mosque and community center/school on 248th Street. As the residents of this area have no place to worship with near vicinity.

Thank you
Faisal

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Regarding mosque at 248th street

From: Atif Ali Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:22 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Regarding mosque at 248th street

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Hi,

I am Atif Khan. I am a resident of Tall grass subdivision, Naperville. I am sending this email to show my support to the 248th street Mosque Project. I am really looking forward to this mosque as it will be super convenient for me and my family because of the location being close to home. I am sure it will be a wonderful addition to our city that nurtures and honors its diversity.

with warm regards
Atif Khan

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From: Planning
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To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Icn248

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Subject: Icn248

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Hi,
We all would like to support ICN in regards to 248 Project for future ICN building. We as a community are in need of a muslim cultural center close to us. Living close to 111th and 248 has made us realize the importance and need of islamic center that our youth and children can benefit from.

We would appreciate if you would help in approving and planning this project.

Thank you
Sabahat Awais

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Naperville Mosque Build on 248th

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From: Basim Elsalaymeh [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:26 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Naperville Mosque Build on 248th

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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to vouch for the building of the Mosque on 248th street. I am a Naperville resident who lives off of 95th street. The building of this mosque will allow for an even distribution of people to avoid overcrowding of the facilities in the area. In the time of Ramadan and Friday prayers, the turn out is substantial, causing people to park in parking lots of nearby businesses or in neighborhoods. This is still a problem even after projects of expansion for increased parking space. This project is critical for the folks in the southwest Naperville region who travel to other mosques in the area. We have been eagerly waiting for the building of this prayer center to assist in overcrowding and to provide a closer prayer center for us folks in the Southwest region of Naperville.

Thank you,

Basim Elsalaymeh

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) -- 248th Project

From: Ishtiaq Pavel [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:44 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) -- 248th Project

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Naperville City Planning and Zoning Commission

Dear Sir;

My name is Ishtiaq Ahmed Pavel. Me and my wife Nafisa Khan live in [REDACTED] 60565 with our three kids. I am a member of Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) and I go there on a daily basis to perform my religious services. The Muslim community have been growing in Naperville area for last several years. Actually it has grown many fold in last ten years. We are in desperate need of a new bigger Masjid/Prayer Facility and a Full time school.

I firmly believe that 248th project will server the Muslim community in Naperville. It will have plenty of parking and prayer area to accommodate our current needs and meet the future needs for the community.

Therefore I humbly request the planning and zoning committee to approve the new facility without any restriction. We are looking forward to your positive response in this regard.

Ishtiaq Ahmed Pavel

Nafisa Khan

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Hello i'm here in regards to show support of the new building of mosque. As this is a free country i would like to add on to the constitutional rights, everyone has the right to practice religion. The mosque is where many muslims go to pray and practice our religion. As one of many muslims, i'm grateful to have my rights to practice my religion in this country however, the temporary stop on the building of the mosque prevents these right. All we want is to practice our religion, freely, respectfully, and kindly, so please allow us to proceed with this development.

Regards,

You're fellow American Muslim

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To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN 248th street project.

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Respected Planning & Zoning Committee Members,

When I set foot as an immigrant in this country 20 years ago, I came with the belief that USA is a melting pot of all religions, all cultures and all ethnicities! I strongly believed and still do that I'll have the freedom to continue to follow my religion, continue to observe my culture and traditions with other people from my part of the world.

I have been part of ICN Community for the past 15 yrs and I have also embraced my citizenship and loyalty to this wonderful country. As an American, I support this project wholeheartedly and I would have done the same if it was a Church or Synagogue or Temple. Because that's what being an American means to me. It is really disheartening to see my friends and neighbors are against me and my community's hope and beliefs.

I want to think that it is only a misunderstanding in the community on the scope of the project. I hope the Planning and Zoning Commission reviews all facts and provides approval for this project to move forward. Looking forward to the meeting on Jan 20th.

Thank you ,
Fazeetha Rahman.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 masjid project

-----Original Message-----

From: Mashal Shoaib [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:27 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 masjid project

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To whomever this may concern, hi my name is Mashal. I am a member of the Naperville Muslim community and I live in Tall Grass. I would like insist that we continue the Masjid project. I have been always involved in the masjid and having one closer will make it more convenient for my family and I. This Masjid will also be more convenient for the elderly in the community who may not be able to go to the other masjids. I would appreciate it if you can take this request into consideration when making final decisions.

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: In regards to the 248th St Masjid Project

From: Rumana Tayyab [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:43 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: In regards to the 248th St Masjid Project

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Dear members of the Zoning Board,

I am a resident of Naperville living in Stillwater HOA. My family moved to Naperville three years ago for our children as we feel it is a great place to live. One of the reasons we find Naperville to be such an appealing place to live is the diversity and openness of the community. As a result of the community's cultural mix, our children have the opportunity to interact with youngsters of all backgrounds in their neighborhoods and in the school system. Adding a mosque to our community's rich religious tapestry would be inherently beneficial to the community and should be supported.

I support approval by the Zoning Board of Review of the 248th St Masjid Project. This project allows for a single location to provide a range of essential religious and community services: prayer area for 600 people, full-time school, multi-purpose hall, conference rooms, offices, and baby-sitting area.

It will enhance my family's abilities to be more involved in the community as currently some of activities are at masjids too far for us to be involved. I'd appreciate it if you can approve this project as it impacts our family.

Thanks,
Rumana Tayyab

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Challenge to the proposed development at 248th adjacent to the Tall Grass Neighborhood

From: Matt Segal [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:27 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Challenge to the proposed development at 248th adjacent to the Tall Grass Neighborhood

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Hello,

As a resident who lives within the neighborhoods enclosed between 103rd street, RTE 59, 95th street, and 248th street, I have concerns regarding the addition of yet another bordering development that would impose elevated levels of traffic in an already heavily developed location. Tall Grass currently houses 2 schools, and are bordered by a large medical facility, several other large neighborhoods, and a park district facility. All of these already add traffic and safety challenges for Tall Grass which offers several access streets where drivers can "cut through the neighborhood" to avoid traffic. The addition of yet another development which would add significant levels of weekly traffic and drivers is of high concern. Please accept this email as my official request to challenge the proposed ICN development at 248th street.

Regards,

Matt Segal
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for ICN 248th Build out

From: Salman Syed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:27 PM
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Subject: Support for ICN 248th Build out

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Hello & Good evening,

I'm a resident at Tall Grass. And I fully extend my support to ICN build out project at 248th st.

This project will entail economic development and will help in job creation in various fields including, but not limited to, construction, teaching, management, administration etc.

In addition, ICN is working towards making this a high quality institute for religious studies for Muslim community in the vicinity. So my full support is with this project.

Regards,
Dr. SYED

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid project

-----Original Message-----

From: mehtab shaikh [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:42 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid project

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Hello Planning and Zoning team,

I support the 248th project because this masjid will help the future kids around the area. The muslim youth is very important to our community because they're our future. This masjid will give them knowledge and leadership skill they need. Please vote yes to the masjid.

Thank you,
Mehtab Shaikh

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th St Mosque Project

-----Original Message-----

From: saima.mussani@gmail.com [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:41 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th St Mosque Project

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Dear Planning and Zoning Commission,

I am writing to you in support of the new Islamic Center of Naperville being built on 248th St.

My family has been residing in Naperville for 13 years now and we love to call such a diverse community our home.

As congregants of ICN we are proud of our community outreach programs and engagement with our non-Muslim neighbors. With our growing number of members the 248th St Mosque will be vital to our community.

Thank you for your time,
Saima Mussani
Naperville resident

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:01 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for the 248th Masjid Project

From: Rehan Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:02 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for the 248th Masjid Project

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Hello,

I am writing this email in order to show my support for the 248th Masjid Project. I can say without a doubt my connection to the ICN masjid and staff has improved my life beyond measure and has motivated me to become an accomplished member of society. It was through this mosque and the community it has built that I have found a path to a very fruitful career that benefits my community and its economy, making naperville a safer- more productive place for its inhabitants and the generation to come afterwards. I plan on raising my children in the area and the Masjid project will create an even safer haven for them to flourish and learn especially in these exceedingly difficult times.

-Thank You

---Rehan Khan

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Regarding Islamic Center of Naperville 248th project zoning

From: Abdul Qayyum Mohammed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:41 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Regarding Islamic Center of Naperville 248th project zoning

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Hello Sir/Madam,

A little brief about myself, my name is Abdul Mohammed currently working as Senior Network Security Engineer and have been living in Naperville for past 10 years now.

Along with good community and schools that Naperville offers, one of the major reason for me to move to naperville is "ICN(Islamic Center of Naperville)" with the help of this community, I have learned so much and contributed to our naperville society especially in time's like this i.e. COVID19-Pandemic.

With the help of ICN, we have distributed approx about 7000 meals to any needed family/person in midst of a pandemic from April 2020 to May 2020.

We started the first ever "Help senior initiative" program in Chicagoland, which is still ongoing and was covered by chicago tribune and NCTV17 and other organizations.

We have contributed and envision of contributing more, to and for the Naperville society. So we can prosper together with unity, faith and "HOPE".

HOPE - Is what this ICN 248th project offers to our future generation.

The ICN 248th project play a vital role by passing on the value we nourish and cherish with our heart and soul to the future generation who will be learning from this educational institution when its established with your approval.

I really hope for positive feedback to move forward with this project.

Yours Sincerely,
Abdul Mohammed.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for the 248th Masjid Project

From: Maryam Habib [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:27 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for the 248th Masjid Project

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Hello,

My name is Maryam Habib and I am a rising senior at Naperville Central High School. I am sending you this email to voice my support for the 248th Masjid Project. This Mosque is being built because of the strong Muslim population in the area. It supports citizens and causes no disturbance. The Muslim community has always been respectful of their neighbors and supportive to their surrounding communities. I believe this project will be a great success and a good center for the city of Naperville. Please take this into consideration, and help our community in building this mosque. Thank you so much for reading. Have a great evening!

Sincerely,
Maryam Habib

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project Support

-----Original Message-----

From: Fathima Izzath Nayeem [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:28 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project Support

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Dear Naperville Planning and Zoning Commission,

My name is Fathima and I live in MI Homes Mayfair. I live with my husband and two daughters. I moved to Naperville in 2015 and I am proud to be a part of this community.

I admire Naperville for its diverse population and its peaceful community. ICN has provided us with various connections that allowed us to commune. Having family members abroad, ICN made this city feel like home by giving opportunities to spend time with each other.

I appreciate the Naperville City Council for its support and commitment to ICN in all aspect throughout the years, without which various ICN programs wouldnt be a success. ICN lets us contribute to this wonderful city as a Muslim community and I am grateful to the people that allowed that to happen. Likewise, I believe the 248th Masjid Project would benefit us by enriching our community and providing us a common place for our growing community and future generations. I second this project and I request you to approve the same.

Best,

Fathima Izzath Nayeem

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th st project

From: Ayesha Sarvana [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:40 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th st project

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Greetings!

I'd like to document my support for the Islamic center of Naperville project on 248th street.

Based upon the growing Muslim population in Naperville, it's become a need, not a luxury for our offspring to know their religion and culture.

Really disappointed by the disapproval by so many neighbors who are afraid of the growing diversity in the community. Naperville has so many Churches so don't understand why an issue with an Islamic center.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ayesha Sarvana
Naperville/Tall Grass resident

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support ICN Masjid 248th street

-----Original Message-----

From: Muhammad Hashmi [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:38 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support ICN Masjid 248th street

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Good evening

This project is convenient for us and or our growing community in this area .

So please consider this project

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Mosque Zoning

From: Shereen Hussain [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Mosque Zoning

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Hello, my name is Shereen Hussain.

I would like to urge the Naperville Planning and Zoning Commission to go ahead and allow for the building of the mosque being planned by the Islamic Center of Naperville.

Doing so would be a tremendously helpful to not only the congregants of the mosque but also to everyone else in the local community.

Thank you for your support.

-Shereen Hussain

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 Masjid Project Regarding

From: Mohammad Najeebuddin [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 Masjid Project Regarding

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Respected Planning & Zoning Committee Members - I have been part of ICN Community for the past 1.5 yrs. I support this project wholeheartedly and I would have done the same if it was a Church or Synagogue or Temple.

There appears to be a lot of misunderstanding in the community on the scope of the project. I hope the Planning and Zoning Commission reviews all facts and provides approval for this project to move forward.
Looking forward to the meeting on Jan 20th.

Thanks and Regards,
Mohammad Najeebuddin

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248th Project Concerns

From: Amy Bade [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN 248th Project Concerns

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter to express my concerns over the size of the proposed facility located on the east side of 248th Avenue between 95th and 103rd Streets. As a 20 year resident of south Naperville, I have witnessed a lot of change in the area including the widening of Route 59 from 95th Street to the South and a new boundary for our District 204 students. That being said, I have major traffic and flooding concerns over the proposed 248th Project.

Many families travel 248th Avenue to 95th Street on a daily basis heading to Waubonsie Valley High School. 248th Avenue gets busier by the day as more homes are built to the south. Currently, there is a pedestrian/bike path crossing on 248th Avenue with a light that stops traffic allowing people to cross. I am afraid of the possibility of accidents at this crossing if the proposed amount of vehicular traffic is correct. Aside from 248th Avenue, residents already contend with extra traffic with the park and ride at the corners of 91st Street and Wolf's Crossing and the additional traffic from the First Student Bus Depot, and we have no idea how traffic to/from Wolf's Crossing Community Park will affect the roadways. Adding hundreds of vehicles to this area for the proposed project will do nothing but place hardship on the current residents of south Naperville.

If you take a look at District 204 High School infrastructure, offering similar parking spaces, you will see that the schools sit on much larger property with ample parking, green space, water retention and 2 lane divided roads offering multiple entrances and exits including multiple stoplights.

Another concern is flooding, with the amount of concrete, black top, etc. that will be covering the now bare land, where will that water be displaced? I have neighbors that live south of Extra Storage Space on Route 59. Since that facility has been built, my neighbors deal with flooding on their street and when there are extreme downpours, cornstalks from the field end up in their front yard. How will this project guarantee that the homes to the south of the proposed project will not experience flooding?

The current infrastructure and property is inadequate for the size of the proposed project.

Sincerely,

Amy Bade

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Project 248

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From: Ramzan Begam [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:37 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Project 248

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We live in Ashwood park, a very nice community. We are excited for the new masjid to come close to where we live! The new masjid will be a good benefit for many people living close to this area. We support this project because there will be many activities and programs to get involved in. Some including kids activities, religious classes, weekly seminars, scout programs, social community service and more. We are looking forward for this new masjid to come close where we live so it can be easier for us. It will be an improvement for this community and helpful for our society.

Thank you
Ramzan Hithayathullah
Ashwood park community

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: In Support of the ICN plan to build mosque on 248th St

From: Abdullah Lakhany [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: In Support of the ICN plan to build mosque on 248th St

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Dear Sir / Madam,

I'm a resident of Tall Grass subdivision for the last 15 years and have closely watched ICN's plan to build a mosque. I attended City Council meetings back in 2011 when ICN was planning to acquire the 14 acre land on 248th st. With few objections, I saw the board approved the sale. I would request the City Planning and Zoning commission to approve ICN's request to start the project. I don't see the safety of the neighborhood would be compromised. Just as the church attendance is going down, same is true with mosques. Only on Fridays between 12 - 3 pm we see a full crowd I'd like to keep it short. Hope the commission approves.

Thanks you so much for reading my email

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: In support of Mosque on 248th

-----Original Message-----

From: Maaria Syed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:36 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: In support of Mosque on 248th

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To Whom It May Concern:

My household is in support of the building of the mosque on 248th St. As the other mosques in Naperville have shown, they have been places of peaceful worship. Many of the patrons in south Naperville attend the ICN location on Ogden, with a new mosque in south Naperville there will be less traffic to the ICN Ogden location.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Best regards,
Maaria Syed

Resident of Naperville

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN mosque

From: durdana rahman [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:30 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN mosque

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To whom it may concern:

I am writing to you on behalf of my family. We are concerned about the possible rejection of the building of the mosque behind on 248.

We have lived in Naperville for over 20 years in various different areas and subdivisions. Recently we moved to white Eagle in anticipation of the new location for the 248 mosque. In fact, every one of our moves was predicated on the distance to an ICN mosque.

This is because we know the value of having a place for our growing community to share experiences, feel a sense of community, and have a place to gather and worship. Because the community has increased tenfold, one locating is no longer enough. We are bursting at the seams.

As Naperville is inclusive of all cultures,

We implore you to pass the proposal and allow the building of our place of worship. It had been an invaluable part of our family's life.

Thank you,
Durdana Rahman
Ehsan Rahman
And family.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN - 248

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From: Taufik Chhotani [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:32 PM
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Subject: ICN - 248

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Hello - hope all is well!

I've recently read that the Tall Grass board voted against the ICN 248 project. As a NVHS graduate, Muslim, and former south Naperville resident, this rejection really saddened me.

Growing up, the closest community center to me was the Muslim community center in Villa Park. At the time, ICN, the closest mosque to us, was located on Olesen Drive, nearly a 20 minute drive from us. During these days of adolescence, I craved for a mosque / community center in near proximity. I desired for a place nearby so I could learn more about my religion, have a place to spend time with friends, and spend religious holidays / ceremonies without being packed. This project provides so many Muslims in the southern Naperville, Plainfield, Oswego and Bolingbrook regions to have a community center and mosque to call home.

I do hope the board can find a way to approve this project as I see it as a great addition to the overall community. If there's any other way I can help, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Best, Taufik

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248 Site Support

From: Asima Gaffar [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:14 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN 248 Site Support

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Hello,

My name is Asima Gaffar. I am a grandmother, retired marketing manager and have lived in south Pointe subdivision in Naperville for 18 years.

I am writing to support the 248 mosque project. My children and grandchildren have learned to love their faith and be proud of it because of Islamic Center of Naperville. They have had basketball tournaments, charity events, academic tutoring sessions and various classes all at ICN. My son has often told me the best mosque in America is ICN! He said the the leadership understands the importance of youth and supports them. These events and the ICN community have helped make them into wonderful human beings and citizens and I am so proud of them and thankful to ICN. Space has always been an issue for us at the Ogden mosque, but I know 248 mosque will allow for current and future Moms and grandmas to benefit from ICN like I have.

I believe you will find our community more than capable to build and maintain our mosque while being good neighbors and citizens. I humbly ask for your support on this project. Thank you to the NPD, fire department and city council for protecting and supporting our community all these years.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 mosque

From: Osaama Hassan Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:32 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 mosque

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Dear Planning and Zoning committee

I am a Naperville resident since 2016- and have 3 kids in the public school system.

I just want to voice my support for the 248 ICN Naperville mosque/masjid

As the community grows- we need to provide the resources for new and existing families.

This will help recruit new families and retain them.

Naperville is well respected for its inclusivity-
Let's keep it that ways.

Thanks

Osaama

Osaama H Khan MD MSc FRCSC FAANS FACS

Oncology and Skull Base Neurosurgeon
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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248 SITE SUPPORT

From: mgaffa01 [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:31 PM
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Subject: ICN 248 SITE SUPPORT

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Hello,

I am writing to support the 248 mosque site in light of an objection that came to me.

I am in my 80s, resident of Naperville for 18 years and a retired chemist.

It takes a long time driving anywhere in Naperville being such a big city especially in winter. Southern Naperville needs a mosque.

I am independent, I take nothing from anyone, but I need the community and spiritual support from a nearby mosque. I have been unable to attend services out of health safety concerns during this whole pandemic. It has been very difficult. I pray I will be able to see 248 dream become a reality.

Please see all the good ICN has done for so many seniors like me. They are more than a mosque and they serve many needs.

I have seen many attacks on different mosque plans over the decades across the country. Naperville is better than this and any concerns of planning and usage can be dealt with very easily. ICN has been and will continue to be a good local organization and Tall Grass will benefit from the development.

Thank you for considering my words. I wish all involved a happy and safe new year.

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Please deny the ICN 248th project Conditional Use request

From: Tara McDonald [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 5:00 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Please deny the ICN 248th project Conditional Use request

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I am a resident of the Tall Grass subdivision in Naperville and my home is on the south side of the proposed site of the Islamic Center of Naperville's (ICN) 248th Ave. campus. I am writing to express my concerns with the proposed ICN 248th Avenue project plans, as they have been submitted. Specifically, I am concerned with the scope and scale of this project and that it will have an adverse effect on the overall traffic, safety (related to traffic) and quality-of life in Tall Grass and the other adjacent residential neighborhoods. Below are some of my concerns:

- The scope and scale of ICN's project (121k sq ft of building space and 901 parking spaces) is way too large for the site and completely out of line with similarly situated religious institutions in the area.
- The proposed ICN campus is more like a commercial development with a high impervious area ratio (0.71) and high parking space to land area ratio (66.3).
- The proposed ICN campus is more comparable to the Costco at 75th and Rt 59 than other similarly situated religious institutions in the area, but the ICN campus has 200 more parking spaces than Costco. A mega-facility such as this is not appropriate for a Residential Neighborhood land use type.
- The scope of the ICN campus, with mixed use facilities, will generate traffic 7 days a week, 12-16 hours a day; daily school, worship, multi-use hall for event rentals (meetings, weddings, etc.) and a gym for leagues and rentals. This mixed use facility goes beyond the scope and scale of a place of worship that is appropriate for a Residential Neighborhood land use.
- The trips generated by this level of activity, especially the back-to-back Friday prayer services with 20 minutes in between to turn over 580 cars for each service, is more than 248th Ave and the surrounding infrastructure can handle
- The Traffic Impact Study is inadequate
 - Traffic study only looks at activity on one day in January
 - Traffic study does not include pedestrian/bike traffic which will substantially increase with the new Wolf's Crossing Community Park
 - Traffic study does not consider the impacts on the surrounding roads
 - There has been home construction in the area that's not considered

- There is a recommendation to relocate the Tall Grass Greenway Trail to accommodate the north entrance left turn lane into the ICN campus. It is not appropriate to relocate a community amenity already in use to accommodate a private entity that wishes to develop the land.
- The proposed North entrance would make the Tall Grass Greenway Trail crossing extremely dangerous as vehicles making a right-out exit will accelerate upon exit and then need to stop immediately for pedestrians/bicyclists.
- The substantial increase in trips generated on 248th is a safety concern for the Tall Grass Greenway Trail crossing which is a flashing light crossing only and does not require vehicles to stop. An above grade crossing should be considered as the only safe way to accommodate these levels of traffic.
- The Conditional Use requirements have not been met
 - The proposed ICN campus is detrimental to the public health, safety and general welfare due to the traffic issues it will create and the traffic safety issues at the Tall Grass Greenway Trail
 - The proposed ICN campus is injurious to the surrounding homes due to inadequate buffering and screening. At annexation, ICN's attorney promised "special protections" including berms. We would like these promises to be honored.
 - The proposed ICN campus parking lot is only 10 feet from property lines on the south side with minimal buffering. This is not adequate per the City's Master Land Use Plan for two land types with different uses.

I am not opposed to ICN development on this land. However, it needs to be comparable to other similarly situated religious institutions, not create unsafe traffic and pedestrian issues, and assimilate into the established residential neighborhood. The proposed plans currently do not meet any of these criteria.

I respectfully request that PZC and City Council deny the plans as they have been submitted.

Regards,

Tara McDonald

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Naperville Planning and Zoning Members

From: mohamed sadiq ali [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:58 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Naperville Planning and Zoning Members

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Sir,

I am a member if Islamic Center of Naperville.

We are a big growing community and facilities we have is not able to accomodate all the needs of the Community.

So, we are expanding on 248th street.

I kindly request you to allow the project to go ahead.

This will be good for Naperville City and economic activities here in this area.

Also, we will make sure we follow all the rules and regulations which Naperville City wants us to follow in the project.

Thanking You

Mohamed Sadiq

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for 248th Street Masjid - Islamic Community of Naperville (ICN) Project

From: Sajid Patel [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:31 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for 248th Street Masjid - Islamic Community of Naperville (ICN) Project

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Dear Council,

My name is Sajid Patel and my family and I have been living in Naperville since 2005. It is a wonderful community and a great place to raise our 3 children. I'm writing to express my support for the 248th Street Masjid - ICN Project as I feel it will be good for our community, diversity, and represents the needs of a growing muslim community in South Naperville. The Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) provides a strong religious center for many people in our community. ICN has also done a good job of giving back to the broader Naperville community and I feel the 248th Street Mosque Project will only increase ICN's philanthropic work and other good activities. I live a block north of the proposed site in the Penncross Knoll subdivision and I, along with many of my neighbors in the area, support the project. I understand there are some concerns about the project, but I feel many of those concerns would be alleviated if all the facts were laid out. I wanted to thank the Naperville City Council for all your support for our community over the years.

Best,
Sajid Patel

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Regarding 248th project

From: Faizah Aslam [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:58 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Regarding 248th project

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Hi,

This is Faizah Aslam, resident of Ashwood Park and Co-administrator of ICN Free Clinic which runs under the umbrella of Islamic Center of Naperville.

ICN free clinic started of with the idea of providing medical services for those who are uninsured in our community . Since the beginning of the clinic back in 2017, Islamic center of Naperville supported the bigger cause of serving the community.We provide service irrespective of race ,ethnic or religious background.

As the Islamic Center of Naperville is coming up on 248th, I'm personally excited to be able to be an active member of the community where I can serve the need of the community. Projects like free clinic and many others that run under Islamic center of Naperville will benefit the community at large. This facility will help us to expand free medical services as well as launch many other programs which will be a source of bringing the different communities together in Naperville.

I would also like to thank the city council members for your continuous and amazing support of our community.

Thanks,

Faizah Aslam

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: The 248th Masjid Project

From: Ay Sh [REDACTED]
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To whom it may concern:

I just wanted to extend my opinion on the masjid being built. A masjid is a place of worship for Muslims, a place of peace, calm, and it brings the community together. I believe there are only benefits that come from such a place and little to no cons. It is a wholesome place that can redirect any bad energy and change a person's entire personality for the better.

Thanks.

-Aysha

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW:

From: Fathima Faizh [REDACTED]
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We have been part of ICN community for past 15 years. We are excited to hear about 248 masjid project. It is an awesome project in which communities near will get benefitted. People in near by communities have to commute longer to reach the near by masjid. We support this project for religious activities, community services, social services, seminars, kids educational and extra curricular programs. I hope planning commission review all these scopes and move this project forward. Looking forward for Jan 20th meeting.

Thank You,
Faizh Abdul

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Center of Naperville 248th Project

From: Fatima Ala [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:30 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville 248th Project

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Hi.

I hope you are doing well. My name is Fatima and I'm a student at Benedictine University. I've been living in South Pointe for six years now. I wanted to reach out and express my concern regarding the Islamic Center of Naperville's 248th project.

The Islamic Center of Naperville has provided other youth and I countless opportunities to learn, grow, serve, and achieve. One thing about ICN that I noticed since the first day I moved to Naperville was how active it was both in terms of programs for the community, as well as civic engagement and service. As someone who truly values civic engagement and loves being actively engaged with local officials, this really stood out to me. ICN is built on the mission of service and there are programs for all age groups, and some of the important events ICN holds include Open Mosque Day, where we meet with those of different faiths and engage in positive dialogue, ICN youth groups, where a safe space is provided for the youth and serve the community such as by delivering food to the elderly during the pandemic, ICN Impact Team, which holds multiple charity drives and most recently held a coat drive, and ICN boy/girl scouts, who partake in activities such as clothing drives and sporting activities. During the pandemic alone, ICN's programs have reached the greater Illinois community with its programs and services, such as online youth talks, food pickups for those in need, and grocery delivery. The Islamic Center of Naperville also has an active Political Engagement Organization, which strives to advocate. ICN has a strong positive influence not only in Naperville, but also across the state.

With that being said, ICN serves a vibrant community that has been growing since 1990 and needs a space to expand to accommodate all the new members of the community. The new 248th building will allow ICN to hold even more programs for all age groups and remain active. I and the ICN youth are hoping that this project gets approved so we can continue to grow and serve the community. This project will be instrumental in having the community prosper and continue to serve.

Thank you for your time. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

Fatima Ala

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:58 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 Masjid Project by ICN Naperville

From: Monis Aziz [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:30 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 Masjid Project by ICN Naperville

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Dear Commissioner
Planning and Zoning Commission
Naperville

My name is Monis Aziz and I am a resident of [REDACTED]. This letter is in support of the 248 Masjid Project which is currently under discussion between Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) and your commission.

I have been a resident of Plainfield / Naperville 248 Street since June 2018 and have made a network of very good friends and neighbours. This 248 Masjid project would go an extra mile in creating an Islamic center where residents of all faiths can converge to learn and enjoy mutual religious beliefs. This will not be just a place of worship alone but will be a center where our youth, elderly, women and children can meet socially and discuss issues of common interest.

Historically gatherings at these Masjids and Islamic centers have displayed respect towards neighbours and residents of other faiths. We all have worked very hard and contributed towards this Masjid and the building of this masjid if a dream come true for the 7000+ muslim residents of Naperville/ Plainfield and Aurora.

Please do consider approving this dream project.

Yours truly,

--
Regards,

Monis Aziz
Chicago, IL

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:58 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Concerns regarding 248th ave ICN project

From: Shah Family [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:56 PM
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Subject: Concerns regarding 248th ave ICN project

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Regarding 248th street ICN project

Hello,

I am writing this to the PZC that I strongly oppose the magnitude of the proposed construction by ICN on 248th street in naperville.

There were rumors going around that the small religious structure might come in vacant land when all residents purchased their homes. We are all friendly neighbors and diverse enough that no one would have raised question or opposed to what is being built if it was just a small Prayer center used occasionally serving community members around.

Now when the proposal is out, it is far from being 'small scale'. What we are learning now is that the proposed structure will be THE LARGEST in the midwest, comparable to the size of Islamic Center in Dearborn, Michigan. This facility will have regular K-5 school throughout the week, Gym, banquet Hall etc along with a prayer hall. Also, this campus will be in use pretty much throughout the day all week in one or the other capacity unlike other small religious places around which are mainly used for Sunday prayers. How can this be considered a religious zoning when there will be commercial activities?

Tall Grass has two schools within the subdivision. Pencross and Ashwood subdivisions also attend these schools. Kids run around, walk or bike by themselves as this is a pretty safe area with not much cross traffic except for the residents around.

Many people with young children moved to the subdivision for schools and closeness to Nequa as with bikers' bridge, it was easy for high schoolers to be independent to go for their activities to high school. The Naperville education board decided to rezone and put our kids from 10 minutes away to average 40 minutes away in Waubonsie high school. That was the first blow to the south Naperville west bound home owners, not only we lost property values overnight but it added an hour of driving back and forth for us families to Waubonsie valley high school and activities to Eola and Ogden.

Now, when every single high schooler has to go towards the west, this proposal is adding another hurdle to their

commute. Now, along with the train timings, we must check the timings of the day time prayers to see how we need to plan our day. With the new park created by naperville park district, there is a high pedestrian and bikers traffic across 248 and the bikers path around the proposed area. How is the city thinking about handling this?

With the 901 parking proposal, think of all cars coming out of Costco on 75th street at one time which has around 700 parking spots and 4 outlets. Can you imagine chaos?

We have our concerns with size of the structure, the traffic and traffic related safety issues it will bring to the neighborhood, the commercial use of the property bringing unknown people from outside to the neighborhood streets(where currently there is not even a single commercial property on the stretch of 248th avenue but just the residents and schools). Not to mention sound and light issues to the TG and Pencross neighbors with borders to the lot. With due respect to the religion, the proposed structure is good but not suitable for the land on 248th avenue between Landsdown and Mistflower. It should be considered where there is bigger space, multiple traffic outlets and no dense residential area around for the activities throughout the week and weekends throughout the year.

Thanks,
Nipa Shah

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:58 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Building of 248th masjid project

From: amtul hAjira [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:56 PM
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I wish to express my support for ICN's masjid project at 248th Ave.
I believe this is a step in the right direction that reflects the growing diversity of this great city.
ICN provides a variety of valuable services to the community including interfaith outreach, personal development, free clinics and more.
This project will be beneficial for large Naperville community .

Thanks,
Hajira

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:58 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248 St Project

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Subject: ICN 248 St Project

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Dear Ladies/Gentlemen,

We have been living in Tall Grass subdivision since May of 2000. We fully support ICN project on 248 St. The project is for a religious purpose which should receive utmost consideration of everybody. We hope and pray that this project will be approved by the planning officials.

Thanks and Best Regards
Mohammad Munir

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:58 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

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From: A Ali [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:56 PM
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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am sending this email to voice my support and my growing family's support for the 248th St Naperville Masjid Project. This is absolutely necessary for the large muslim population in the area to have a place of worship and a community center for our kids. There are so many churches in the surrounding areas so I do not understand why the pushback. As diverse and well educated the residents are in City of Naperville, I would hope there is not a double standard here. I am a profe

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:58 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248th Avenue project

From: Faiz [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:32 PM
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I believe this is a step in the right direction that reflects the growing diversity of this great city.

ICN provides a variety of valuable services to the community including interfaith outreach, personal development, free clinics and more.

This project will be beneficial not only for ICN congregants but also for the larger Naperville community.

Sincerely,
Faizuddin Mohammed

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:58 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Project and Traffic Patterns

From: kiersten selby [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:30 PM
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Subject: 248th Project and Traffic Patterns

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Dear Planning and Zoning Commission,

I am a resident of the Tall Grass subdivision and have several concerns regarding the traffic patterns and safety of our children and residents should the Mosque Project (or any other large school, store, or place of worship) be built on the backside of Tall Grass subdivision. 248th becomes extremely busy several times a day as it is with our children traveling to WVHS twice a day, as well as general rush hour traffic, school busses, and trucks who tend to use this path as a shortcut to avoid rt. 59 traffic. To add potentially hundreds of more cars seems unreasonable, unsafe, and inappropriate for the small two-lane road that 248th is. In addition, it would even seem the number of vehicles predicted would overwhelm a 4-lane road. Please reconsider this project for another location that is less congested, non-residential area, and has a strong ability to handle the hundred of patrons arriving several times a day.

I appreciate your taking the time to read my concerns and feel confident that with the proper research, you will reconsider this project for another location.

Sincerely,
Kiersten Selby

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:57 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: PZC # 20-1-052 (Islamic Center of Naperville 248th St Mosque)

From: Faiza Ahmed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:28 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: RE: PZC # 20-1-052 (Islamic Center of Naperville 248th St Mosque)

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City of Naperville
Planning and Zoning Commission
400 S Eagle St
Naperville, IL 60540

RE: PZC # 20-1-052 (Islamic Center of Naperville 248th St Mosque)

Dear Honorable Members of the Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to today to support the Islamic Center of Naperville's (ICN) proposed mosque on 248th St. **As a resident of Tall Grass**, it is my strong belief that this project is in compliance with the ordinances of the City and in service of the public benefit. The subject parcel was previously zoned for religious use and the proposed use in accordance with the existing, approved zoning.

To address a few concerns that may have been raised about the project:

- The proposed site plan provides the necessary set backs and landscaping screens to ensure that the development does not cause detrimental impacts to the surrounding parcels and subdivisions
- The proposed height of the buildings will be 35 FT to the top of the parapet wall
- The proposed site plan provides for a large detention basin on the east end of the development, providing 6.75 AC-FT of detention capacity, in accordance with City requirements. These calculations account for the addition of impervious surfaces.
- The City's plans include an improvement of 248th St, including a widening between 95th St and 103rd St. ICN's Phase I plans call for dedicated left turn lanes on 248th St. Per the Traffic Study prepared by Kenig, Lindgren, O'Hara, Aboona, Inc. (KLOA, Inc.), the combination of these improvements addresses projected future traffic growth on 248th St and the proposed development.

Some have compared the proposed development to a Costco. It bears noting that there are stark differences between a religious facility and a major commercial development that prevent a comparison between the two uses. As a resident of Naperville, I fully support the development of a commercial tax base in our City, but I would also oppose the construction of a Costco on this parcel.

In this turbulent time in our nation's history, I must also add that religious freedom is a cornerstone of American democracy and a bedrock constitutional right. In consideration of these rights, the facts presented herein and the plans submitted by ICN, I strongly encourage that you approve the development of this mosque as submitted.

As always, I am thankful to the Committee members for the time they dedicate to our City and its residents from all faith traditions. The other projects belonging to other faiths near Tall Grass have not met similar opposition to this project.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at via email

Sincerely,

Faiza Ahmed
Resident of Tallgrass


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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:57 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th St Masjid Project

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To whom it may concern,

I'd like to put forward the project on 248th Street regarding the mosque to be built. It will greatly benefit mine and many other families in our Naperville and surrounding suburbs community. We have never had a new place of worship to call our own that will also allow room for many other community activities. Currently we have been using high schools like Neuqua and Waubonsie Valley for places of instruction for our little ones' religious weekend school. My family also lives in the nearby area so it will become our primary place of worship. It will also be especially helpful during holidays as we have to go to banquet halls for larger gatherings.

It would be amazing to continue further on building this project and hopefully completing it very soon so that we are able to benefit from it daily.

Best,
Zehra Rehman

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:57 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Center of Naperville 248th street

From: Zehra Kazmi [REDACTED]
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Hi,

I am writing in support of the Islamic Center of Naperville project approval. I have been attending ICN events since 2002. This mosque has been a positive effect on the community at large for decades.

The mosque community holds specialized events for youth, children and adults. They have collaborated with food banks to pack and distribute food to needy families which is especially important during this pandemic.

In addition to daily prayers, the mosque offers services such as free medical clinic, counseling and support groups.

I am confident that the 248th street mosque will bring positivity and betterment to the city of Naperville and its constituents.

Over the past two decades, Naperville's demographics have certainly changed. It is wonderful to meet people from different cultures and experiences so we can learn from one another. I hope that the city approves this project as it will reflect who we are as a city - diverse and accepting.

Thank you,

The Kazmi family

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:57 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for 248th Islamic Center of Naperville

From: Ibrahim Hadi [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:35 PM
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Hello, I would like to show my support for this project that the Islamic Center of Naperville is trying to start because not only will this place be a center of worship and where the community can come together, it is first and foremost a school. In these trying times that we as Muslims are facing, terrorist groups becoming widespread throughout the world and the propaganda that they are promoting, they continue to misconstrue the message of Islam towards the younger crowds who are unlearned about what Islam really teaches. Many Muslim Americans today have a strong sense of belonging in the Muslim community but unfortunately have not been able to study and learn about what the religion actually teaches, and when these radical organizations come to their doorstep claiming to be teaching Islamic values, our children and none the wiser. With this school, we as a community can work together to fight this ignorance and save our children and our country from any possible unfortunate events.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:57 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Masjid Project- 248th

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Dear Planning and Zoning Commission,

I am sending this email to voice my continuous support for the 248th Masjid Project. I believe this project will bring increased unity and diversity in worship options- a core principle that Naperville was founded on and embodies. Furthermore, I am a resident of Tall Grass, and I believe the sports options and boys and girls scouts events that can be held at the masjid will add to the conveniency and value of living in Tall Grass.

From,
Sara Khasawneh

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:56 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: I support the ICN 248th project

From: Falak Rehan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:37 PM
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Subject: I support the ICN 248th project

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Hello,

I have lived and worked in Naperville for most of my life. I'm a graduate from Neuqua Valley high school in Dist 204 and a graduate PharmD from Midwestern University.

I live in Ashwood Park. I am very excited about the ICN 248th Project. This will be right in my neighborhood. ICN does amazing work with the entire community. They have been very active and provide much needed services. Naperville is a diverse and welcoming community and this community center will be beneficial. ICN offers so many programs and services (example Free Clinic)

I support this project and look forward to the opening of the center.

Best Regards
Falak Rehan

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:56 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Mosque on 248th project

From: Mustafa Bengali [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:37 PM
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Hello,

My name is Mustafa and I currently reside in Hoffman Estates but I support this project because it would be a big motivation for my family to relocate to Naperville. My children would have a great sense of community if this project takes shape and there aren't very many family centric, affordable suburbs in the Chicago area today where a Muslim community center is established. if you look at the affiliate mosques that are currently operating in Naperville, they are serving the community very actively even during COVID and I would like for my children to be growing up under the influence of an organization that has an admirable contribution to the community. im confident many families with young children would feel the same.

Best Regards

Mustafa Bengali

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:56 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Mosque project

From: Mina Khan [REDACTED]
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I would strongly urge the members of the Zoning commission to approve this project. In addition to supporting the local economy and attracting new residents to the area, studies have documented reduced crime rates in the vicinity of Masjid's!

Thanking you for consideration,

Regards,

Farzana Khan

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:56 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for ICN

From: Farhan Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:26 PM
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Subject: Support for ICN

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Hello,

My name is Farhan Khan and I just wanted to show my support for the future mosque project that the Islamic Center of Naperville has proposed. I'm currently a graduate student and I love the diversity and community ICN has provided for me and my fellow Muslim friends and family. Growing up, it was hard to see people of my faith in my schools but going to ICN provided me with a community of friends and family. Creating another mosque would give access to more Muslim individuals within the community to practice their faith freely and I believe will have a positive impact for the Muslim community in Naperville. I urge you to please consider this project!

Thank you!

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Regards,

Farhan Khan
Saint Louis University Class of 2020
College of Public Health & Social Justice
B.S. Health Management & Public Health
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:56 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Mosque Project

From: Amir Arif [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:28 PM
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Subject: 248th Mosque Project

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Hello,

My name is Amir and I'm a Penncross Knoll resident, in support of the future building of the new 248th Street Mosque through the Islamic Center of Naperville.

Our community has grown considerably and our children are in need of resources that will contribute to their well rounded upbringing. The Islamic Center of Naperville has always had a good relationship with the community and the good they're doing will only increase with another location.

I have read comments from the opposition and feel the fears are unsubstantiated. We are a respectful community that places the comfort and convenience of our neighbors as top priority. The addition of this worship center will benefit Tall Grass, Penncross knoll as well as surrounding subdivisions by making it attractive to homeowners who desire a safe neighborhood.

I'd like to thank the City Council for your support of the Muslim community over the years.

warm regards,

Amir

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:56 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Mosque Project

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Hello,

I would like to give my support to the 248th Mosque project as this is big for our religion and our community. Building a mosque in this vicinity will help strengthen the community not only for the Muslims but for everyone around. It will help attract people to the city as well and help people find refuge when they are in need of trouble. This will help more people than hurt and in order to help build our community for the better this must be done.

Thank you,
Omar Elsalaymeh

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
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Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

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Thank you for your hard work to make Naperville better place.

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:56 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

From: Muneeza Mahmood [REDACTED]
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Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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From: Muhammad Yousaf [REDACTED]
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Hello,

I would like to share my thoughts on the "248th Masjid Project." I joined Exelon as a Senior Engineer last year and planned to buy my own house. The only two things I have in my mind while moving to Naperville and looking for a house were the School district and particularly the house close to the Masjid. I prefer to go to the Masjid five times a day for prayer but reluctant sometimes due to distance, In view of these two factors, I preferred "Tall Grass" area because the 248th Masjid is very close to my house.

My family would request you to please approve this 248th Masjid Project. We would be very grateful for this particular center to be close to our house. We are really very happy to be part of this diversified and wonderful community of Naperville.

Thanks and appreciate it.

--
Muhammad Yousaf, Ph.D.

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Muneeza Mahmood

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:55 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Community Center

From: Sana K [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
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Subject: 248th Community Center

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To whom it may concern,

I'm Sana Khadri, and have been a resident of Naperville since I started kindergarten. I have fond memories growing up in the Naperville school system as well as taking part in several community organizations and events.

I'm also a member of the Islamic Center of Naperville and was excited to learn of their plans for expansion to a community center on 248th avenue. A large part of my upbringing has been at the Islamic Center and I have appreciated the ability to embrace and celebrate our culture while also sharing it with other friends and neighbors who have been welcomed to the center. I recognize the need for a larger space to meet the needs of an influx of new families arriving to contribute to Naperville's diversity. I'm aware of the concerns regarding this expansion but I have faith in the leadership to work out the logistics and know that they are consulting the necessary people.

After living out of state for graduate school for a few years and immersing myself in their local communities, I have recognized the importance of community and diversity and greatly appreciate the extent to which growing up in Naperville offered them. In fact, I met my husband through Naperville community events.

I would really appreciate if an effort is made to recognize the importance of creating this new community center and listening to the voices of the residents of Naperville who would greatly benefit from it.

Sincerely,

Sana Khadri

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:55 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: New Mosque Zoning

From: Hamza Hussain [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: New Mosque Zoning

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Hello, my name is Hamza Hussain. I hope you are doing well.

I am writing this email to urge the Naperville Planning and Zoning Commission to allow for the construction of the Islamic Center of Naperville mosque.

Allowing this mosque to be built would be a huge service to the local community and be a source of benefit not only to the congregants of the mosque, but to the larger community of Naperville as well.

Thank you for your time and have a good day.

-Hamza Hussain

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:55 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Plea for 248th Street Mosque/Masjid Project

From: Nadeem Aslam [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:23 PM
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Subject: Plea for 248th Street Mosque/Masjid Project

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Good afternoon,

I hope this message finds you all well, we are sending this email to request the City Office's support for approval of the 248th Street Mosque/Masjid Project to move forward.

We have had the good fortune of calling Naperville home since 2007 when we moved here for my work from the DFW area. I remember at the time we had no real idea of the Chicagoland area and its suburbs and moved here primarily based on all the positive reviews and feedback we received from friends and acquaintances about Naperville. They all mentioned the strength and diversity of the community and the welcoming nature of its residents.

From staying in our first apartment in the Grand Reserve to buying our first home in IL here in Naperville, we have experienced all these qualities and have grown to love and appreciate what our community has to offer and call Naperville our home.

As residents of High Meadows, the new project at 248th street will be of tremendous help and value to our family due to its proximity and access. We request your support in letting the project move forward.

Thank you,
Nadeem Warraich and Zeast Mohd

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:55 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Project

From: Mazen Shehadeh [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:03 PM
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Hello,

I wanted to share how exciting it is to have our first full out mosque that will have plenty of space inside, along with plenty of parking. Our current mosque cannot house the amount of people that live in this community so we have to pray in the gymnasium, on the hard floor with a temporary thin carpet (hard on the knees). Our current parking gets congested where cars are overlapping, including the traffic backup all the way down to the main Ogden street. For most of us who have to return to work, we have to wait for the cars that have parked behind us to move in order that we can leave. Were praying and hoping that the project will be completed successfully with your support. Thank you for all you do!!

Mazen Shehadeh and Family 😊

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th project

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From: Shaheen [REDACTED]
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Subject: 248th project

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Hello,

I am a member of the ICN community and support the 248th project. I believe it will be beneficial to the Muslim community and the larger community as a whole. Thank you for your consideration and support.

Best wishes,
Shaheen

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Planning and Zoning Commission: ICN 248th

From: FAROOQ AHMED [REDACTED]
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City of Naperville
Planning and Zoning Commission
400 S Eagle St
Naperville, IL 60540

RE: PZC # 20-1-052 (Islamic Center of Naperville 248th St Mosque)

Dear Honorable Members of the Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am writing to today to support the Islamic Center of Naperville's (ICN) proposed mosque on 248th St. **As a resident of Tall Grass**, it is my strong belief that this project is in compliance with the ordinances of the City and in service of the public benefit. The subject parcel was previously zoned for religious use and the proposed use in accordance with the existing, approved zoning.

To address a few concerns that may have been raised about the project:

- The proposed site plan provides the necessary set backs and landscaping screens to ensure that the development does not cause detrimental impacts to the surrounding parcels and subdivisions
- The proposed height of the buildings will be 35 FT to the top of the parapet wall
- The proposed site plan provides for a large detention basin on the east end of the development, providing 6.75 AC-FT of detention capacity, in accordance with City requirements. These calculations account for the addition of impervious surfaces.
- The City's plans include an improvement of 248th St, including a widening between 95th St and 103rd St. ICN's Phase I plans call for dedicated left turn lanes on 248th St. Per the Traffic Study prepared by Kenig, Lindgren, O'Hara, Aboona, Inc. (KLOA, Inc.), the combination of these improvements addresses projected future traffic growth on 248th St and the proposed development.

Some have compared the proposed development to a Costco. It bears noting that there are stark differences between a religious facility and a major commercial development that prevent a comparison between the two

uses. As a resident of Naperville, I fully support the development of a commercial tax base in our City, but I would also oppose the construction of a Costco on this parcel.

In this turbulent time in our nation's history, I must also add that religious freedom is a cornerstone of American democracy and a bedrock constitutional right. In consideration of these rights, the facts presented herein and the plans submitted by ICN, I strongly encourage that you approve the development of this mosque as submitted.

As always, I am thankful to the Committee members for the time they dedicate to our City and its residents from all faith traditions. The other projects belonging to other faiths near Tall Grass have not met similar opposition to this project.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at via email

Sincerely,

Farooq Ahmed
Resident of Tallgrass



Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
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From: Aiman Beg [REDACTED]
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In the Name of God, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful

Dear Sir or Madam,

Hello! My family of 8, which includes my 5 children, spouse and my father have been residents of Naperville since 2006. We moved from our home in Chicago Uptown to be part of a thriving, and vibrant community, rated as a top city to raise families. Prior to moving to Naperville, our friends living in Naperville spoke favorably about the City and its rich diversity. They spoke of the harmony and balance in all facets of life in Naperville. They talked about the programs at the Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN), and how ICN was a nexus of bringing the large Naperville community together through the 30+ programs it offered. My wife and I made the right choice, and since moving to Naperville, we continued to promote its virtues, as well as have used the ICN Community Center as a social and civic engagement platform to do volunteer work in the City, to make living better for all.

There are so many opportunities that Naperville offers to its residents, and ICN as a Community Center has continued to partner with the many City institutions to enrich our cities culture, as well as has become a magnet, attracting economic development due to muslim businesses/skilled residents moving here. Similar to the growth Naperville has seen in its population, so has the muslim community living here. ICN is continuing to address the needs of its growing patrons, and has 3 centers in Naperville, and looking to add 1 more on 248th Street.

We are very excited to welcome ICN in my neighborhood (close to 103rd and Rt 59), and my family would benefit from the ease of taking our children for the various programming offered by ICN's Center on 248. I am hoping my son will be able to get his Eagle Scout rank at the Court of Honor that ICN would be able to host at the new center.

Our 8 votes from the Beg Family in Naperville are for ICN at 248. We would like to see that the City of Naperville continues its long standing relationship, and partnership with ICN in promoting good across the residents of Naperville.

Regards

Aiman

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Building of 248th Masjid Project

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From: Faraz Chagani [REDACTED]
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Thank you.
Faraz Chagani

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for Islamic Education Center 248th St Project

From: Muhammad Irfan Alvi [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:23 PM
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Hi,

This email is to support the Islamic Center on the 248th street by organization Islamic Center of Naperville.

The new education and community center is going to meet the needs of growing community and spread a positive awareness through education. This will also provide an opportunity for local communities to interact and learn about the true and peaceful message of Islam.

Please provide the necessary approvals so this project can move forward.

Thank you,

Muhammad Irfan Alvi
[REDACTED]

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To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th St Project

From: Yasmin Mohideen [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:53 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th St Project

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I would like to show my support for the Islamic Center of Naperville's 248th Street project. I have lived in this area for the last 17 years, and have been a member of ICN for as long. This new center will be a place not only for religious activities but also a center for services geared towards the larger community. ICN has various committees that are beneficial to the public at large, such as the free medical clinic. We look forward to this new center which has been under planning with much consideration. I look forward to the planning and zoning committee's approval of the 248th street project.

Thank you
Yasmin Mohideen

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for Naperville Mosque proposed build at 248th Avenue

From: Sarah Khan [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for Naperville Mosque proposed build at 248th Avenue

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Dear Sir or Madame

I am Sarah and I am in favor of the zoning approval of the New mosque in Naperville since the community needs bigger space to worship.

Thanks.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248th Project

From: MOHSIN SAEED [mailto:████████████████████]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:49 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN 248th Project

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Dear Sir / Madam,

I have been a resident of Naperville for last 2.5 years. I have actively participated in community events for 204 school district, Free community clinics, interfaith events under the umbrella of Islamic center of Naperville. ICN has been a community center which has an open door policy for everybody and has been welcoming to people of all ages, races and color.

ICN has grown in last few years and need this new location to cater to the needs of the community.

I hope that the zoning board will approve our plea and give the muslims of naperville the chance to give back to the community.

Thanks,

Mohsin Saeed

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248th Project

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From: Jen Cerilli [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:53 PM
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Subject: ICN 248th Project

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To the members of the Naperville Planning and Zoning Commission,

I am writing to let you know my concerns with the zoning and planning of the ICN 248th project. The size and capacity of the structure will lead to major traffic and safety concerns on and surrounding 248th, especially near the bike path. Over the past 20 plus years of living in the area, I have seen traffic increase on 248th just from the ever growing population of south Naperville. I can only imagine what a structure of this size could add to this traffic (possibly 1000 plus vehicles at the same time) on a typical day when school, a religious service, and work all end within minutes of each other. For the safety and concern for the people who commute and live on or near 248th, please do not approve building a structure of this magnitude on this plot of land.

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:54 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for 248th Street Mosque Project

-----Original Message-----

From: Asma Alam [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:21 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Re: Support for 248th Street Mosque Project

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Good afternoon!

My name is Asma and I recently moved to the Penncross Knoll subdivision. We moved to Naperville all the way across the city from Lincolnwood on the North Side. Our primary motivation for the move was the excellent schools, diverse community and this future mosque project.

Since our move, we've become very good friends with all of our neighbors in both Penncross Knoll as well as Tall Grass, many of whom have explicitly expressed support for this mosque project. We're proud to be part of this kind community and look forward to our children developing good friendships and relationships with everyone.

We support this Mosque project just as we support the Compass Church on IL-59 and any other religious institution because these centers of worship are symbols of safe communities, grounded in faith. We were very intentional in choosing this area because we believe communities grounded in faith, any faith, will contribute to the moral upbringing of our children.

We look forward to contributing in any way to interfaith relationships and we look forward to the completion of this project.

Thank you,

Asma

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:53 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Testimonial Regarding the Proposed Islamic Center on 248th Ave

From: Muhammed Alikhan [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:20 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Testimonial Regarding the Proposed Islamic Center on 248th Ave

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To whom it may concern,

I am a medical professional currently based in Cleveland, OH. I have lived in Naperville during most of my formative years having attended middle school and high school in District 204. During this time, I was also a member of the Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) community. I attended youth programs which were important to my personal and spiritual growth. This includes the mosque's Boy Scout program from which I graduated as an Eagle Scout. During my time in Naperville, I have witnessed an immense growth of ICN, which has expanded to now three centers. More importantly, I have also witnessed the positive impact it has had on the surrounding community at large, including coordination of mass donations, positive local outreach, and civic engagement. I believe ICN is now a pillar and a force for good for not just the Muslim community of Naperville and surrounding suburbs, but for the city at large.

I was also a resident of Tall Grass where my parents still reside and where I frequently visit. We have mentioned numerous times where we wish we could have a facility closer to our residence. We also wished for a larger center that could accommodate the rapidly growing population of Naperville. This would be a convenient location with so many families in the neighboring subdivisions while continuing to serve the good purpose of ICN. Especially given the community-building activities tailored toward the very young and very old among us, this would be a blessing to have such a close place of worship and gathering (once COVID restrictions abate).

I hope this message will be helpful in your decision on ICN's new project and I will be happy to provide further testimonial. I know I speak for not just myself when I describe the positive impact ICN has made on the community.

Thank you,

Muhammed Alikhan, MD

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:53 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

From: Aman Hussain [mailto:████████████████████]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:43 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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Hi,

I am a resident of Ashwood Pointe subdivision (████████████████████) and I am super excited about this project's progress. This Masjid project is a huge step towards promoting diversity and inclusivity of the community, and this is something that Naperville has been striving for decades.

From an economic perspective, the widening of the 248th street and the presence of the Masjid is going to only increase business around the 95th & Route 59 area as it will increase traffic from areas like Oswego and Plainfield. And historically if you look at the real-estate prices of areas where Masjids were built (primarily in the Chicago-land area) you will notice a significant increase in property values because Muslims would pay premium to be closer to their religious center.

Having two children myself, I can't emphasize enough how much appreciative I would be to not only have a religious institution at a walking distance, but also a Saturday school for my kids to be involved in ethical, moral, and religious studies. This is a great platform for nurturing honest, moral, and caring citizens of the US. We live in a time where these qualities cannot be taken for granted.

Thanks,
Aman

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:53 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

From: Asra Ali [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:16 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of my growing family in support of this project. We are looking forward to having a place of worship that is close to home, especially with babies and toddlers. We continue to see other places of worship being built throughout Naperville and would love to see more support for masjids/mosques in the area. Please kindly support this project.

Kind Regards,
Asra

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:53 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN Masjid/Mosque Project on 248th Street

From: Humair Raziuddin [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:15 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN Masjid/Mosque Project on 248th Street

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Respected Sir/Madam,

I fully support the ICN Masjid project on 248th street. I am a resident of Tall Grass. This will be beneficial for the community because it brings extensive connectivity and positivity to the community of Naperville.

I appreciate you taking the time to consider my concern about this vital asset to the citizens of Naperville.

Humair Raziuddin
[Redacted]
[Redacted]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:53 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

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From: muhammad arif [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:34 PM
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Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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Hi,

I am writing in support of the Islamic Center of Naperville project approval. I have been attending ICN events since 2002. This mosque has been a positive effect on the community at large for decades.

The mosque community holds specialized events for youth, children and adults. They have collaborated with food banks to pack and distribute food to needy families which is especially important during this pandemic.

In addition to daily prayers, the mosque offers services such as free medical clinic, counseling and support groups.

I am confident that the 248th street mosque will bring positivity and betterment to the city of Naperville and its constituents.

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:53 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 Project Petition

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From: Amy Clavey [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:15 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 Project Petition

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Good Afternoon-

I am writing in concern for the large project going up on 248. I have signed the petition.

I live at [redacted] Naperville, IL.

I directly back up to 248.

I am concerned with the large amount of traffic that will be moving around school time. This could be 1000 cars at one given time of the day. I believe that 248 cannot handle such a large increase. The large amount of traffic will definitely increase safety concerns.

Please consider the homeowners around this massive building and outlets. It is a huge concept for that space.

Thank you for listening to our concerns.

Mark and Amy Clavey

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:52 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

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From: Salman Khan [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:12 PM
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Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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Dear Sir / Madam -

We moved from VT to IL in 2017 because of my work.

One of the reasons, we chose to live in Naperville was because of its diverse community, excellent schools and the vibrant Muslim community in the area. We currently live in Pencross Knoll.

Since we have moved here we have seen the Muslim community grow, the 248th Masjid project will go a long way in sustaining that growth as well give our daughters the opportunity to learn about the Muslim faith and culture.

We fully support this project and hope the town will as well to hold its values of being a welcoming town and community where people can freely live according to their own faith.

Thanks
Salman Khan

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:52 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

From: Farah Walajahi [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:37 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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Hello,

Along with good community and schools that Naperville offers, one of the major reason for me to move to naperville is "ICN(Islamic Center of Naperville)" with the help of this community, I have learned so much and contributed to our naperville society especially in time's like this i.e. COVID19-Pandemic.

We have contributed and envision of contributing more, to and for the Naperville society. So we can prosper together with unity, faith and "HOPE".

HOPE - Is what this ICN 248th project offers to our future generation.

The ICN 248th project play a vital role by passing on the value we nourish and cherish with our heart and soul to the future generation who will be learning from this educational institution when its established with your approval.

I really hope for positive feedback to move forward with this project.

Sincerely,

Farah

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:52 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Center of Naperville - 248th St. Project

From: Muhammad Karim [mailto:████████████████████]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:11 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville - 248th St. Project

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Hello,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to acknowledge support of the Islamic Center of Naperville's 248th St. Mosque Project.

I believe this project will be beneficial for multiple reasons:

As a member of the Naperville Muslim community, I think it will greatly benefit us to have a mosque/Islamic center of this magnitude as it will promote our faith and provide us with a central facility where we can be encouraged to grow our faith and interact within the community.

I also believe that this center will benefit the non-muslim community, as it can promote interfaith dialogue and connections. We in the Naperville Muslim community greatly welcome our brothers and sisters from all faiths and would be delighted to encourage increased dialogue and interactions with one another. The Mosque, I believe, will harbor an open door policy to those of all faiths who want to learn about Islam, want to meet Muslim members of the community, or maybe just want to see what a Mosque is like on the inside. And in these times, I strongly believe interactions between all faiths is needed to quell any notions or misinformation about any faith. And this mosque would provide a great opportunity as it would provide the Muslim community to showcase our hospitable and welcoming nature.

Speaking from the heart, community acceptance of this project would further cement how welcomed and part of the community we already feel. We are very grateful to the Naperville community already for all that they have done for us and allowed us to do, and the addition of this project would only boost that sense of gratitude.

I hope this will be beneficial to you in your decision. Thank you for taking the time to read my email.

Sincerely,

Muhammad Karim

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Muhammad Karim
Accounting and Finance Major
DePaul University



Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:52 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th masjid project

From: Safyan Khan [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:42 PM
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Subject: 248th masjid project

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Hello respected planning community

The progression of the 248th masjid project will positively impact the community of naperville as there is an increase for the need of this masjid as other smaller masjids are becoming overpopulated. Living in the Hoffman estates area, My education takes me to Naperville and this masjid would accommodate me and many other students. This project I believe will come as a positive to all as the Naperville Muslim community has come together to see this project through.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:52 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248th Ave project

From: Mulla, Muhammad [mailto:]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:09 PM
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Subject: ICN 248th Ave project

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Dear Council Members of Naperville City Planning and Zoning Commission,

I am a Naperville resident and am reaching out to you to support the Islamic Center of Naperville's 248th Project. As a community member I'm really impressed with what ICN has been doing for the entire community, not just the Muslim community. They've helped the entire community (Muslims and Non-Muslims alike) with food drives, free medical camps, blood donation drives, just to mention a few.

I am sure that by expanding to 248th, the ICN community will be able to do more good to the community. They are growing and they need the extra space, and this new project will hopefully benefit all of us.

I hope that you will consider these facts when deciding the future of this project.

Thank you,

Muhammad Mulla
[REDACTED]

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:52 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

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From: Aminah H [REDACTED]
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I think this project is important because the Muslim Community has been given the opportunity to give families an easier access to their religious lives. This project makes the community stronger and creates a new place to pray. It is important this project is successful because it has been in the planning process for years and many Muslims are pushing for it to happen.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:52 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Regarding the proposed Islamic Center on 248th Street in Naperville

From: Aman Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:07 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Cc: Faiza Khan <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Regarding the proposed Islamic Center on 248th Street in Naperville

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Respected Members of the Naperville Planning and Zoning Commission,

I hope this mail finds you, and everyone at your respective ends, in the Best of Health and Spirits. I am also doing good, Thanks!

I am writing to you in support of the proposed Islamic Center to be built on the religious zoned plot of land on 248th Street in Naperville. My family and I moved to Naperville around 6 years ago and bought a house in 2016 as we really like this city and it's diverse and welcoming nature. All four of our kids go to District 204 schools as we live in Brook Crossing Estate - near the intersection of 95th and Plainfield-Naperville Road.

For the past 5 years I have also been an Adult Leader in the Boy Scouts Troop chartered under Islamic Center of Naperville. I was initially an Assistant Scoutmaster for the first couple of years and had been the Scoutmaster for the last 3 years. On a regular basis we instill the Scout Oath and Scout Law into the hearts and minds of our scouts - most of whom belong to the Muslim faith. The Scout Oath states "On my Honor, I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; To help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight". We continually encourage these young men to grow up to be strong and productive members of the society and community. We are involved with various service projects around the Naperville and greater Chicago area. We stress onto them about being respectful and helpful to all, regardless of faith, ethnicity or gender and we drill into them the importance of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

As members of the local Muslim Community we have been looking forward to the proposed plan for an Islamic Center to be built on the religious zoned plot of land that the Islamic Center of Naperville acquired some years ago. This Islamic Center is really needed for the members of the Muslim community living in the south and western part of Naperville and personally I have been looking forward to it as it would be a 5 minute drive from my house also. **I would request you to please consider this proposal favorably and give it the necessary approvals to proceed as planned.**

I want to continue to look my scouts in the eye and say that "When the needs of the local Muslim Community were being considered the Naperville Planning and Zoning Commission did the right thing and provided the necessary approvals. The city/community values your presence, each one of you needs to live your lives by the Scout Oath and Scout Law and be the best models/ambassadors of the Islamic faith within the community in particular and do your best to be valuable contributing members of society and country in general, so help you God".

Best Regards,

Aman Khan & Faiza Khan (my wife)



Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:52 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Planning and zoning

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From: Waseema Khatoon [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:25 PM
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To Sir / Madam,

I support the building of this center as it will bring countless opportunities to the community of naperville. It is a right for freedom of practicing religion. Interfaith communities strengthen the tolerance of others. This center will bring about the education of muslims as well as others. Opportunities are not limited to only muslims but rather are open to everyone to come together and solve modern issues facing our community.

Sincerely,
ICN MEMBER
Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:51 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248 project support

From: Anees Shaik [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:08 PM
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Subject: ICN 248 project support

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Hi Naperville Planning team,

I am a long-time resident of Naperville. I moved to Naperville 20years ago after hearing about the open and inviting culture Naperville has. Even though I am an immigrant, I always got the same hometown feeling I got from my native home town. I support the ICN 248 project and hope you will also support and approve it.

This will be a first custom built facility for Naperville's Muslim community. Even though we have other locations in Naperville they lack some of the features a purpose-built facility can provide. ICN has had Naperville leaders support throughout its existence and I am confident you will support ICN's 248 project to meet the needs of growing community.

248 facility will help us provide services like free medical clinic, free tutoring and other highly beneficial services not only to Muslim community but also to the community at large.

Best Regards,

Anees Shaik
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:51 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Planning and Zoning

From: Yasmeen Hussain [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:43 PM
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Subject: Planning and Zoning

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Assalamu Alaikum,

I strongly support the 248th Masjid Project. As a member of the ICN community, it would be so beneficial to ensure all brothers and sisters have the opportunity to be involved. I have grown up in Naperville, and I am looking forward to this new community center.

Jazakallah Khair,

Yasmeen Hussain

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:51 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248th planning & zoning

From: Yasmeen Tahir [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:07 PM
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Subject: ICN 248th planning & zoning

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Hello,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to you regarding the planning and zoning for the Islamic Center of Naperville 248th ave project. I have lived in Naperville my entire life. I am glad to call Naperville my home. Recently there was a concern regarding the land of our future 248th project. The future 248th ave mosque will be a place for our community members to learn, socialize, and worship. As a member of the youth of ICN I would like to please ask you to consider giving ICN a chance for this property. Myself and many of my friends directly benefit from the great programs of ICN. We need this property in order to accommodate the growth of the ICN community. There are several churches and other religious properties in Naperville however, we only have 3 mosques. There are thousands of Muslim families in Naperville. The land of 248th ave will help us grow our spaces for our community. Being a Muslim student, the mosques in Naperville allow me to have a space where I can learn and practice my faith. This mosque is the future of the Naperville Muslim youth and will be a great way for the community to gather. Please consider giving ICN a chance for this land.

Thank you,
Yasmeen Tahir

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:51 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Building of 248th masjid project

From: Danish Bhatti [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:07 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Building of 248th masjid project

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:51 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Building of 248th Masjid Project

-----Original Message-----

From: sanaa mohiuddin [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:44 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Building of 248th Masjid Project

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Hi,

I am writing in support of the Islamic Center of Naperville project approval. I have been attending ICN events since 2002. This mosque has been a positive effect on the community at large for decades.

The mosque community holds specialized events for youth, children and adults. They have collaborated with food banks to pack and distribute food to needy families which is especially important during this pandemic.

In addition to daily prayers, the mosque offers services such as free medical clinic, counseling and support groups.

I am confident that the 248th street mosque will bring positivity and betterment to the city of Naperville and its constituents.

Thank You
Sanaa Mohiuddin

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:51 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

-----Original Message-----

From: Akli Gana ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:05 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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My name is Akli Gana and I am a member of ICN and I support this project because it is necessary for the Muslim community to have a proper place for worship as well as for providing religious and cultural education for the next generation of Muslims of the Naperville area.

Looking forward to hearing a positive response from the Naperville Planning and Zoning Commission.

Best regards

Akli Gana

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:51 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Center Project

-----Original Message-----

From: Jason Reed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:50 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic Center Project

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a retired United Methodist pastor residing at [REDACTED], [REDACTED]. Prior to my retirement, I served as senior pastor of the congregation of Wesley United Methodist Church in downtown Naperville from 2001-2013.

I am well aware of the "not in my backyard" arguments that are repeated each time a church wants to change its footprint through remodeling or when a new congregation of any faith wants to build in Naperville. My congregation faced those concerns when we wanted to remove a house on our property to add a much needed addition to the church and add a ten space parking lot. Despite objections, the city council saw the merits in our request and granted the permit for construction. It greatly benefited the life of the congregation, and when completed, the neighbors were pleased.

As you know, Naperville has a sordid history in denying construction permits for Islamic worship centers. I refer you to the 2015 play, "Mosque Alert", that revealed the city's xenophobia in the last such exclusionary decision. Beyond the evident merits of the case for freedom of religious expression, do you really want to go through the court costs, and drag the city's reputation through the mud again? And this is transpiring while the city is hiring a "diversity and inclusion" manager. Think Carefully!

I ask that you to rule in favor of the construction.

Rev. H. Jason Reed

Sent from my iPad

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:51 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Ref: 248th st islamic center project

From: Asif M. [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:04 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Ref: 248th st islamic center project

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Dear planning and zoning team,

As a resident of Naperville, I am writing to say that I am in support of this project and this project will bring value to the community.

Across America, Mosque projects have increased property value and brought in highly skilled folks to the neighborhoods, reduced crime and improved social status. There have been many independent reports on this.

Therefore I am humbly requesting your support in approving this project.

Regards
Asif

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:50 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 zoning issue

-----Original Message-----

From: Mohammed Waheed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:04 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Cc: Mohammed Waheed <d[REDACTED]>
Subject: 248 zoning issue

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Dear Commission members:

It's my privilege to give you my input regarding the upcoming discussion on 248 zoning issues. I'm a recently retired professional who moved to Naperville from out West. Before making this almost cross country move, my family did our research to see what facilities were available in this area, including places of Worship and Spiritual support. This proposed project was one the major draws for us to finalize our selection and move.

We were excited to hear about the ICN's 248 building project and have contributed to make this dream come true. While the project details and drawings have been finalized, the construction has been delayed due to the pandemic lockdowns. When completed, this project will be one of the premier facilities in our Community.

We strongly urge you to give your favorable consideration to the ICN 248 Community Center project when it comes for your deliberations. Thank you.

Dr. Mohammed Waheed
Naperville, IL
Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:50 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW:

From: sharmdawood [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:16 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:50 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Planning and Zoning Commission 248th Project

From: Hamza Ahmed ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:45 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Planning and Zoning Commission 248th Project

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Sincerely,

ICN MEMBER.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:49 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Project

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From: Jasima Hameeda [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:48 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Project

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Respected Planning and Zoning Committee Members,

I have been part of ICN Community for the last 1 yr . Many families will get more benefits from this project. I support this project with my whole heart and provide the same support if it was a Church or Temple or Synagogue.

With all respect , I hope the Planning and Zoning Commission reviews all the facts and provides approval for this project in their next step.

Regards,
Jasima
Ashwood Park

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:49 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th project

From: Mohamed Ashik ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:08 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th project

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Planning & Zoning Committee members,

This is Mohamed Ashik. I live in the Ashwood park community and have been part of ICN community since 2007. I completely support his project. This is just like any other places of worship like church or temple. Currently there is a lot of misunderstanding within the community about this project especially on the scope of the project.

I kindly request he Planning & Zoning commission to review all the facts carefully and provide approval for this project to move forward as soon as possible.

Looking forward to the meeting on Jan 20th.

Sincerely
Ashik Ahmed

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:49 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th project

From: Samiyah [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:46 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th project

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Hello,

I am a member of the ICN community and support the 248th project. I believe it will be beneficial to the Muslim community and the larger community as a whole. Thank you for your consideration and support.

Best wishes,

--

Ms. Samiyah Nageeb

Educator & Equity Facilitator

Equity & Inclusion Council

National SEED Staff

MUHSEN Volunteer

Case Manager

Ms. Nageeb is currently reading *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You* by Ibram X. Kendi and Jason Reynolds, *Small Great Things* by Jodi Piccolt, and recently read *On The Come Up* by Angie Thomas, *The Internment* by Samira Ahmed, and *American Panda* by Gloria Chao.

"The reason people awaken is because they have finally stopped agreeing to things that insult their soul". ~ Anonymous

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:49 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for the ICN 248th Masjid Project

-----Original Message-----

From: Zaid Ahmed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:48 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for the ICN 248th Masjid Project

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Hello,

My name is Zaid Ahmed and I'm a resident of Naperville living near the 95th Street Library. I would like to voice my support for the Islamic Center of Naperville's new mosque project on 248th Avenue. I have lived in Naperville since 2004 and have noticed how the area has grown over the years. With an influx of a lot of immigrants and Muslims, there is a growing need for a community center/mosque to accommodate the new arrivals. The 248 Mosque project promises to alleviate our overcrowding at our current mosques and will be a valuable part of its community. I too would be able to attend this mosque by biking since it's so close. I hope one day that when I do have children, they'll be able to avail the resources provided by this mosque project. Thank you for your time and I hope to see this project move forward very soon.

Best regards,
Zaid Ahmed

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:49 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: The Planning and Zoning Commission of Naperville, IL.

From: Abdul Nazeer [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:47 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: The Planning and Zoning Commission of Naperville, IL.

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Hello

From the time I called Naperville my home, Islamic Center of Naperville has been a constant in my life and in the lives of many others, manifesting itself into teacher, community organizer, and guardian. Through the shared bond of a love for God, the ICN has given its children a sense of community and brotherhood that surpasses the bounds of gender, race, or even religion. Rather, it has developed within us an awareness of how to be a human being, one who feels compassionately, thinks reasonably, and reacts accordingly.

This house of worship has reaffirmed that familial sanctity that can so easily be lost in an era of stressful careers, technological distractions, and horribly addictive reality TV shows. For no matter how hectic a work week can get, any individual, parent, or child can come together for a short time in this community center to pray, converse, and reflect. By building such a resilient bond, a father of three can develop a confidence in his own faith and use it towards the betterment of a community much larger than the confines of his small town.

The Islamic Center of Naperville has grown. We need this new location to cater to the needs of increasing community and remain the rock it has been to produce more individuals who are aware of their duties as human beings and as American Muslims. The challenge lies in that this can no longer be done in the space that is currently available to us and it is only with the support of residents that we can hope to expand. It is my hope that the Zoning Board will approve our plea and give the Muslims of Naperville the chance to give back to a community that has supported us for so long.

Thank you,

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:48 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 Masjid Project

From: Salman Syed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:48 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Re: 248 Masjid Project

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Greetings,

This email is intended to support the noble cause initiated by people who love and believe in peace & harmony for the community, for the country and for humanity. In today's chaotic world of violence and hatred, it is imperative, we as citizens, human beings support such much needed dream projects become a reality so that our coming generations aren't left deprived of places, institutions where the message of love & peace is preached. Let's do this for our youth, for our secure & peace-filled future and let's not leave any stone unturned.

Best regards,

Dr. Salman Syed

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:48 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248th Masjid Project

From: Asif Sheikh [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:47 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN 248th Masjid Project

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Hello,

My name is Asif Sheikh and I'm a resident of Oswego IL. We are regular members of the ICN community and we using their facility on regular basis.

I'm writing this email to Support the new ICN 248th Masjid Project. This will be closer to my home and it will be much convenient for my family to visit this new center.

I also want to take the opportunity to thank you for all your support to our community over the decades.

Best regards,
Asif Sheikh

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:46 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW:

From: Asra Hussaini [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:22 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject:

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a resident of the Penncross Knoll community in Naperville.

For as long as I've been here, I have also been an active member of the Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN). ICN, through its several committees, has made an immense positive impact on the Naperville community.

ICN is now embarking on a critical project to expand its community center on 248st due to the growing need in the Muslim community and accommodate our needs. With the hearing coming up, I request that you look into enabling this project. We look forward to hearing a decision in favor of ICN to proceed with the project. We would greatly appreciate your support.

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We thank you for the outstanding job that the City Council has done and for your support for the ICN community over the last several years.

Best regards,
Asra Hussaini

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:46 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW:

From: aysha parveen [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:44 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject:

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Thank you,

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:45 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support of ICN Project in Naperville on 248th

From: Marwa Elsayed ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:44 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support of ICN Project in Naperville on 248th

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Dear Planning and Zoning Commission,

I would like to add my support for the construction of the Masjid on 248th Ave.

I live at [REDACTED] in Tall Grass Community and I am excited to have a community center so close to me.

All ICN locations are hubs of amazing community programs that will benefit the whole community such as Cub scouts & Boy scouts.

Best Regards,
Marwa Elsayed

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:45 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Icn community support

From: Abdul Nazeer [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:40 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Icn community support

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Hello
This is Abdul Nazeer residing at Naperville Illinois
We support ICN project as it's one of the best community service organization
I have raised 3 kids and got very good support and timely useful information in all aspects

Sincerely,

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:45 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic center of Naperville on 248

-----Original Message-----

From: Ashraf Elessawy [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:41 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic center of Naperville on 248

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Hello and good evening

As an ex-president for ICN I completely support this project as it provides an outlet for an extremely law abiding community to practice their faith in our beautiful city

This land was under the ownership of Hope church and our hope is to establish a place of worship that provides service not only to Muslims but to the community at large.

Please approve this project

Best Regards,

Ashraf Elessawy
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:44 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: House of worship

From: qutub husaini [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:41 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: House of worship

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Hi

I think it would be a great idea for the mosque to be built.

We need more community centers and have diversity in our town.

It will show Naperville is open and welcoming to different groups of people.

Thanks

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:44 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Jan 20 PZC Meeting.
Attachments: Planning Letter Land Use .pdf

From: Dan Swartz [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:41 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Jan 20 PZC Meeting.

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Please include the attached in the ICN Meeting packet. Thank you.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:44 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: PZC #20-1-052 Islamic Center of Naperville

From: Imaan Ahmed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:42 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: PZC #20-1-052 Islamic Center of Naperville

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Dear members of the Zoning Commission,

I write to you today to share my personal support of this project for the Islamic Center of Naperville. As a 17 year resident of Naperville we have been blessed to be part of this diverse and multicultural community. My family and I have grown with this community over the years and appreciate all the amenities and the social and spiritual services Naperville has to offer. I strongly believe the addition of this new Islamic Center will benefit the greater community for years to come and we humbly request your support and approval of this project

Thank you for this opportunity as Citizens to share our feedback and for your dedication to the growth of Naperville.

Thank you!

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:43 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Request for support - 248 St project - ICN

From: safa hussaini [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:42 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Request for support - 248 St project - ICN

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a resident of the Penncross Knoll community in Naperville. I've been a Naperville resident almost all 16 years of my life and have loved being a part of this amazing city. I attend Waubonsie Valley, a reputable district 204 high school.

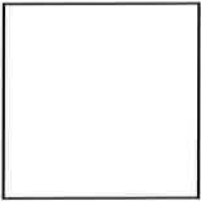
I have been an active member of the Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) my entire life. ICN, through its several committees, has made an immense positive impact on the Naperville community. With ICN, I have been a teacher assistant and was given the opportunity to volunteer at many different organizations through ICN. As an institution, ICN has been involved in collaborating with other faith institutions in our area, giving back to our community with food and clothing drives and standing for justice on numerous occasions. ICN has been recognized by Naperville city leadership and we have a great relationship with our mayor and members of his office. For that, we're grateful. I can confidently say that me and my friends have been able to engage in so many more community service projects and have learned how to be better members of the Naperville community thanks to ICN. We, at ICN, feel honored by seeing our community Naperville improve and thrive.

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We thank you for the outstanding job that the City Council has done and for your support for the ICN community over the last several years.

Best regards,
Safa Hussaini



ReplyForward

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:42 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for 248th Mosque Project

-----Original Message-----

From: Asad Irfan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:04 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for 248th Mosque Project

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Planning Team,

I understand there is a meeting coming up on 1/20 and I wanted to send a note of support and recommendation to build a mosque in south Naperville at 248th.

I've grown up in Ashbury off of 95th st and Book RD. For years, I've attended the mosque on Olesen ave and then Ogden what that was created. As I started my own family I moved to north Plainfield and continue to attend the mosque on Ogden ave. The Islamic population has grown significantly and in recent years I've been car pooling with friends from my neighborhood to attend prayers in an effort to reduce parking issues.

The building of a new mosque in this area makes it incredibly more convenient and reduces the swelling of traffic to the Ogden mosque. I've always appreciated the support for diversity in the city I grew up in and look forward to continued support on this project.

Regards,

Asad Irfan
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:41 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Naperville 248th Street Mosque Project

From: tahmina haque [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:04 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Naperville 248th Street Mosque Project

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To whom it may concern:

Dear Members of the planning & zoning commission,

I write this letter to show my support in favor of building the 248th st mosque in Naperville, IL.

A mosque is not only a place of worship for the Muslim community, it is also a center for social interaction and community building. Other ICN mosques in this area as you may know have and are engaged in helping the community in general by organizing activities/fundraising to provide monetary, food, clothing, elderly care, educational, medical, and numerous other support activities. Please note these assistances are available to Muslim & non-Muslims alike in the community.

Since the start of Covid-19 pandemic, ICN has been instrumental in helping people in and around Naperville w/ money, food/grocery delivery, mask making, Covid-19 testing. etc. My family so proud to be a part of ICN and will greatly appreciate a Mosque close to our house.

One of the reasons I strongly support the building of this mosque is their incredible help in guiding the youth in the community through education & activities. I have two children in Middle School and they both benefit from the services ICN mosques provide through their Youth programs. Having a mosque closer to the house will allow them to participate in more of these programs.

Last but not least, a community w/ deep spiritual values are useful for promoting sincerity, justice, goodness, forgiveness, courage, power, and wisdom.

Therefore, I would request your support and approval for building the 248th st Mosque and help us towards building a stronger Naperville.

Thank you. Regards,

Tahmina Haque

Ashwood Creek Community, Naperville

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:41 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Request for support - 248 St project - ICN

From: Syed N. Hussaini [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:04 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Request for support-- 248 St project - ICN

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a resident of the Penncross Knoll community in Naperville. I've been a Naperville resident for the past 11 years and have loved being a part of this amazing city. Our four children attend the reputable district 204 schools.

For as long as I've been here, I have also been an active member of the Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN). ICN, through its several committees, has made an immense positive impact on the Naperville community. With ICN, I have been a youth leader, Cub & Boy scout leader and a teacher/mentor for the ICN youth. ICN, as an institution, has been involved in collaborating with other faith institutions in our area, giving back to our community with food and clothing drives and standing for justice on numerous occasions. ICN has been recognized by Naperville city leadership and we have a great relationship our our mayor and members of his office. For that, we're grateful. I can personally say that I have engaged our youth in several community service projects like donating to our soup kitchens and shelters. We, at ICN, feel honored by seeing our community Naperville improve and thrive.

ICN is now embarking on a critical project to expand its community center on 248st due to the growing need in the Muslim community and accommodate our needs. With the hearing coming up, I request that you look into enabling this project. We look forward to hearing a decision in favor of ICN to proceed with the project. We would greatly appreciate your support.

As a member of the Penncross Knoll community and this center potentially being located very close to home, I would do my best to do my part in taking care of the center and ensure that it serves the surrounding community in positive ways.

We thank you for the outstanding job that the City Council has done and for your support for the ICN community over the last several years.

Best regards,
Syed Hussaini
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:41 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: My support for the project 248 Islamic center of Naperville

-----Original Message-----

From: shazna safa [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:04 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: My support for the project 248 Islamic center of Naperville

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a U.S. Citizen and resident of Naperville writing to you to express my support for the 248 project of Islamic Center of Naperville of establishing a place of worship/community center in South Naperville.

I support the project as I believe a place of worship regardless of it being a mosque, a church, a temple, a synagogue etc., is a significant need to grow together as a community.

We moved to Naperville in 2015 with lots of hope for our family. A community center coming up in the vicinity was our main deciding factor when we chose to build a house in Ashwood Park Subdivision so we left the home of 15 years, the City of Chicago even though My husband's work is at North Chicago, IL & he has to travel 60 miles each way. But we still love Naperville.

This is also a community center where we gather for Girls scouts events, Civic engagement, community service projects & other workshops. As a mother 4 young kids, I find it hard to drive around the kids for these activities. It will be great if we get a community center within vicinity to enjoy the activities we do.

Therefore I hereby humbly request you to consider the project and grant permission to execute the project.

Thanks and let us build a safer Naperville and maintain it as one of the best cities in the United State.

In God We Trust.

With many thanks,

-Shazna Saffa

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:40 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Street Mosque

-----Original Message-----

From: Sahar Faisal [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:03 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Street Mosque

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Hello!

I am a senior at Neuqua. For most of my life, I lived in a small town which was not very diverse. Until I joined the Naperville community my freshman year, I never realized the significance of having a community of people who share the same beliefs as me. Through many events hosted by ICN for adolescents such as the Saturday School, Heartbeats, and Revival, I found people who could not only pronounce my name with no struggle, but people who understood me. For the first time I didn't have to explain why I wear the hijab or why I don't have a boyfriend. I felt instantly accepted in this wonderful community. Spending Eid at the mosque with so many familiar faces made the day so much more special. The mosque has become a place for our community to find support in each other and worship in peace. A place for the kids to hang out and feel safe and a place for the adults to relax and de-stress. Overall it is a place for everyone to create memories and bonds that last forever. Currently, our mosque is not large enough to accommodate us all or host some of the events we plan. As our community grows, so do the number of programs offered for all types of people so that everyone feels included. And being closer to my house, the new mosque will be a special place to retreat to whenever life gets stressful. It will strengthen our community and bring so many benefits to so many people.

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:38 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Centre of Naperville 248th project

From: Farhan Tahir [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:01 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic Centre of Naperville 248th project

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Hello!

We have been a resident of Naperville since 1993 and have enjoyed living in this great city for over 25 years. Our three girls were born and raised here and have benefited living in this town immensely. The diversity, friendly atmosphere and the great schools make Naperville one of the best cities in the country to raise one's children.

All these years, we have been affiliated with the Islamic Centre of Naperville and seen our community grow many folds as Naperville brought equal opportunity and growth to all types of people and as the community grew the need of a bigger facility also became necessary as it would be for all institutions, business and places of worship.

We have been involved with ICN for the past quarter of a century and seen that the Islamic centre has been a forefront of community service from being a free Health clinic for all citizens of Naperville to being a food pantry distributing food all throughout the year and now free COVID testing for the people living in Naperville and many other services.

We have participated in many Open Mosque days and the overwhelming response from the local folks from Naperville of all faiths and all walks of life have been amazing and support given to the Islamic centre against Islamophobic rhetoric and attacks is a great testament that the people of Naperville care for all people regardless of their faith, color and ethnicity.

We are writing to request that the Planning commission give a fair opportunity to ICN to present their case and get approval of building the facility on the land on 248th street. We are confident the people living in the area in particular and in general the entire population will see how much value the Islamic centre and Muslim community brings to this city with their professionalism and assisting in various walks of life.

We are a community extremely professional, disciplined and followers of the law and ensure the rights of everyone around us. That is the teachings of the Islamic faith and we adhere to them dearly.

Thank you for listening and we appreciate your fair decision in this matter.

Kind regards,

Farhan and Joohi Tahir

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:34 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN Propjet at 248 Avenue in Naperville

From: Saleem Shaikh [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:01 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN Propjet at 248 Avenue in Naperville

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Respected members of the planning commission.
City of Naperville,

My name is Saleem Sheikh and I have been a resident of Naperville since 1991. Growing up my three children have been benefices of great educators of this city. Today as a successful physician, U of C. MBA and engineering graduates they are great contributors to the welfare and success of their fellow citizens. My wife and I are grateful for the visionary town leaders and citizens for giving us the opportunity to raise a great family here.

As a show of gratitude we have been a contributor to the West suburban food pantry during these difficult times, among other civic welfare activities.

Muslim community of Naperville under the leadership of Islamic Center of Naperville has contributed greatly to senior welfare through food delivery and free health clinic for all residents of Naperville. ICN leadership initiated the interfaith effort in the community and has openly welcomed our fellow citizens to its Mosques for visits, friendship and meetings for common good.

It is the fair, cooperative and inclusive spirit of the people of this town that has enabled it to grow and be named as one of the best town in the United States. I submit to you that Muslim community has played a great part in this success. Muslim Physicians, IT professionals, engineers and scientists have contributed to the financial success, peaceful environment and great reputation of Naperville.

I respectfully ask members of this commission to approve ICN project, I assure you that Muslim community will continue to work for the welfare, good health and success of its fellow citizens as it has done for many years.

Respectfully,

Saleem Sheikh
[REDACTED]

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:34 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Project - ICN Naperville

-----Original Message-----

From: Shazia Kothawala [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:59 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Project - ICN Naperville

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Hi,

My name is Shazia kothawala and I am a resident of naperville in the signature club subdivision and I support this project of islamic center of naperville.

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:33 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Mosque Project

From: Shoaib Saleem [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:58 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Mosque Project

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Dear Sir / Madam,

I, Shoaib Saleem, resident of Naperville, IL would like to request you to grant permission to build a place of worship for us.

This facility will be used in our daily worship and our children's school.

This will enhance Naperville's community and bring diversity along with business opportunities to Naperville.

Thank you.

Regards,

Shoaib Saleem

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:33 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Project - ICN Naperville

From: Steve Adam [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:56 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Fwd: 248th Project - ICN Naperville

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I am a resident of Signature club.

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From: Steve Adam <[REDACTED]>
Date: January 13, 2021 at 2:51:35 PM CST
To: planning@naperville.il.us
Subject: 248th Project - ICN Naperville

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Shahid Adamjee and I support this ICN Naperville project.

Thank you,

Shahid Adamjee

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:33 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Project - ICN Naperville

-----Original Message-----

From: Steve Adam [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:52 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Project - ICN Naperville

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Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Shahid Adamjee and I support this ICN Naperville project.

Thank you,

Shahid Adamjee

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:32 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Center of Naperville 248 project

From: Sumayya Tabassum [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:50 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville 248 project

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Respected
Sir/ madam.

I humbly request for the approval of the Islamic Center of Naperville project 248 . As our community is growing big we need a bigger space for our daily prayers , community gathering, social and cultural events , funeral prayer, and many different programs.we have missed our religious places so much this pandemic so much it will be heart breaking to know if it is not approved not only for me even my children they have been waiting to see it be build and completed.

May god bless this project and bring the community together as one .

Thank you .

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:32 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th project for Mosque

-----Original Message-----

From: Fayeza Mohammed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:49 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th project for Mosque

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Hello,

My name is Fayeza Mohammed. I have grown up in Naperville and moved to the city to complete my medical training then missed Naperville too much and moved to Ashwood Park South in 2018. In that time I have had three kids under the age of three and we LOVE living here in Naperville. My husband and I are both physicians serving the Naperville community and are thrilled to be a part of the community.

We are writing this email in support of getting the project approved for the building of Islamic Center of Naperville on 248th.

As much as I love living here the thing that we struggle with is having a religious and community center for South Asian Muslims in this part of Naperville. We are truly tired of going to the small crowded mosque in North Naperville. We want this built so that our kids can meet other kids of their own culture and religion, where they can learn about their roots and connect with other Muslims in the community, to be able to share their beliefs.

With all the amenities Naperville has to offer for education, recreation, shopping I truly think we need to approve this project so that Muslim Americans can gain a small space in this vast suburb where they can feel comfortable and have proper education about their religion and to connect with people who understand their struggle of being an American Muslim. As my children grow older I hope this mosque will not just be a center to learn their religion but a place where they can feel comfortable to express themselves.

Thank you!

Adil and Fayeza (Ashwood Park residents) Please call if you have questions at [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:32 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic center of Naperville at 208

-----Original Message-----

From: Sultan Mohiuddin [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:47 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic center of Naperville at 208

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Please the members of Naperville planing board we need your seal of support for a new Islamic center to be built on 248 st.
Thank you.

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:28 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN project on 248th street.

From: Mahir Zuberi [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:45 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: re: ICN project on 248th street.

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Dear Sir / Madam,

I would like to mention that I support the above-mentioned project since I live very close to it, It would be extremely convenient for me and my family to visit there for prayers and attend different programs and meetings.

Thank you,
Yours Sincerely,

Mahir Zuberi
Member at Islamic Center of Naperville.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:28 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

From: farheen khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:39 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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I am writing this email in SUPPORT of this project.

This land was already zoned for mixed/religious use and there are no issues with regards to zoning.

Please consider this request and approve the project.

Best regards.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:27 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Center of Naperville - 248th Project

From: Zia Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:39 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville - 248th Project

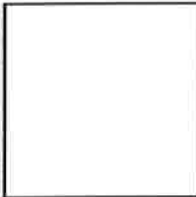
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I have been living in Naperville since 2003 and part of the Naperville community as well as volunteering and contributing to religious organizations like ICN for a very long time. I live in the Tamarack South subdivision which is located by 111th st and 248th avenue and looking forward to having a community center close to where I live so I and my family can engage more often and become more active in our community.

Looking forward to having ICN 248th project completed soon.

Thanks

Zia Khan 

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:26 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th property

From: Mariam Sayeedi [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:38 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th property

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Naperville Planning and Zoning Commission:

My name is Mariam Sayeedi. I grew up in Naperville, graduated from Naperville North High School, and even went to college near by. I am grateful for the excellent opportunities I received growing up here. After getting married I moved to a nearby suburb for a few years but still continued to work at Edward Hospital in Naperville .

I recently had my first daughter and am expecting my second. My husband and I made the decision to move back to Naperville this year specifically for the purpose of living near the new Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) construction on 248th avenue. We now live in the new townhomes of Emerson Park off of 248th and have been eagerly awaiting the build. ICN was a huge part of my upbringing. I believe it positively shaped who I am and thousands of other youth as well. I planned to send my children to preschool here and make the mosque a magical part of their childhood just as it was for me. I can assure you that the ICN leadership wants nothing more than peace and comfort for its residents but also it's neighbors. Please let us know how we can help to ensure this build occurs so my children and others can benefit from ICNs wonderful services and facilities. Thank you so much for your time.

Mariam Sayeedi

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:26 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for 248th Mosque project

From: Mahmud Khair [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:37 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for 248th Mosque project

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Dear Planning and Zoning Commision,
I would like to request you to approve the 248th Mosque project. The entire muslim community of Naperville, Aurora, Plainfield need this mosque. At this mosque, we can do our prayers as well as teaching our kids regular educational and religious courses.

Regards

--
Mahmud Khair

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:25 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

From: saoodk [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:37 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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Please consider this request and approve the project.

Best regards.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:25 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Mosque project on 248th

From: khasawra ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:37 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Mosque project on 248th

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I fully support the Mosque project. I live in Tall grass and I strongly believe that it brings many benefits to our Tall grass community and the community around in support of diversity and interfaith communications and engagement. What is a better way to learn about Islam and peace instead of the negative picture painted by the media.

Thanks

Rami khasawneh, Ph.D, PMP
Professor and Dean Emeritus
Lewis Univetsity

Kopinski, Sara

From: Colleen <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:24 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Opposition to 248th Islamic Center

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Dear Ms. Kopinski,

I already sent one email regarding this issue; however, another thought occurred to me that I would like to be strongly considered as well. In driving around town, I noticed the land footprints of 2 other Islamic centers on W. Ogden Ave and on 75th Street east of Washington. Both of those structures appear substantially smaller than what is proposed on 248th Avenue, both in height and number of parking spaces, and there appears to be much greater buffers around both structures and parking facilities in terms of grassy areas than what would be built in this off-the-main drag side road in South Naperville. It simply does not match, work with and provide enhancements to the residential surroundings.

As another example, please refer to the other new center of worship being built nearby, but on a larger thoroughfare of Route 59 (& 103rd Street). The Compass Church being erected there, looks shorter in height than what is proposed on 248th Avenue and again follows the good models of other places of worship around Naperville - on main roads to allow for traffic, large enough land to allow for parking spaces and substantial landscaping buffers between the establishment and the neighborhood nearby.

Finally, but importantly, an area that would potentially require further investigation by a professional is how this much concrete, including the structure and the parking lots, will affect the natural water drainage in this area? Will our beautiful greenway walking/bike path constantly be under water? How about 248th Avenue itself? Will the surrounding houses constantly be victims to flooded basements? It seems logical to me that if the current field that almost always naturally fills with small ponds becomes one nearly solid slab of concrete, it will undoubtedly cause a terrible water drainage issue for everything in the immediate surrounding area. That would be horrible for many reasons, including property values in our area.

Thank you so much again for collecting all of these concerns!

Colleen Johnston
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:14 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Street Mosque Project

From: Yousuf Siddiqui [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:36 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Street Mosque Project

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Dear Sir/Madam

Just a quick email to voice my support for this project. As part of the local Muslim community and also a member of the wider Naperville community I feel that this would be an excellent initiative to further build harmony in the community and further demonstrate our diversity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yousuf Siddiqui

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:14 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for 248 masjid project

-----Original Message-----

From: Amara Siddiqui [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:35 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for 248 masjid project

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Good afternoon,

Please note my support for the Masjid project.

Thank you for all of your hard work and help!

Best
Amara

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:14 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Center of Naperville 248th Street project

From: Kashif F ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:33 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville 248th Street project

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Good afternoon Naperville planning committee,

I would like to show support for the Islamic Center of Naperville's 248th Street project.

My name is Kashif Fakhruddin, I serve as the President of the Islamic Center of Naperville. I moved here about 14 years ago from Lombard, IL. We are so blessed to live in a wonderful town with great schools, people, and services.

Our children have benefitted thoroughly from ICN's services and my wife and I have had the opportunity to be involved with the community and the leadership in various areas of ICN. I can confidently say I am grateful that we have been involved with ICN together as a family because it has brought us all closer to one another.

What makes ICN different is the vast variety of services it offers which allows it to be a place for all, a place that gives back to the whole community.

It serves a place for worship, learning, community service, family counseling, health clinic, youth activities, and more. ICN is one of the most civically engaged community centers and has wonderful relationships with law enforcement, government officials, and so on.

The reality is that our community has been and continues to grow in exponential numbers. With daily prayers, activities, extracurriculars for children, programs for adults, larger weekly prayer service, and then monthly and yearly events; space is indeed needed.

The 248th Project is the perfect opportunity for our community to have the space it needs to flourish and serve all of humanity around it- I am hopeful that even those who may not be from the community but are in proximity to the center will benefit from its presence. It is the reason many people move to Naperville in the first place, with strong hopes that this center will be a beautiful and fruitful community center for their children to grow up in.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Best regards,

Kashif Fakhruddin

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:13 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: In Favor of ICN 248th st Project-Napperville

From: Younus Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:31 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Re: In Favor of ICN 248th st Project-Napperville

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Hello Sir:

I favor this 248 ICN project. This was one of the reason I choose this Tall Grass Subdivision neighborhood in Naperville when we moved here in november 2018

Thank You

Kind Regards

Resident in TallGrass Subdivision
Younus Khan

Thanks and

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:13 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th St Project

From: Kabyl Nasyrzhanov ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:30 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th St Project

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Hi,

I'm writing to voice my support for the approval of the 248th Ave. I am 68 year old retiree living in Ashwood Heights ([REDACTED]). In my old age I'd love to be able to go and meet with my fellow worshippers at the future 248th Ave center. It'll be within a walking distance for which I'm very excited. It'll be a joyous occasion for me and our community at large which would serve as a focal point for many activities to benefit the congregation and the community at large. I kindly seek your approval for the project to go ahead.

Thank you,

Kabyl Nasyrzhanov,
Ashwood Heights

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:12 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for 248th Street Mosque

From: Alzena Saleem [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:29 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for 248th Street Mosque

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Hello Planning and Zoning Commission,

I hope and pray you are all safe and healthy. My name is Alzena Saleem and I have been an active member of the Islamic Center of Naperville for over 16 years. Currently, I am the Principal of the Islamic Center of Naperville's weekend religious education school, ICN Al-Falah Academy, a school of 500+ students ranging from Preschool to the 10th grades (online enrollment this year is ~225 students). Due to our growing community, our faith-based school rents the classrooms, cafeteria and gyms of Fischer Middle School (District #204) each Saturday (we are online this year). We are very grateful for our relationship with the district and the space to better serve and educate the youth of our community.

However, in addition to being able to provide Islamic knowledge to our community's youth, an ample space for recreation, prayer, conversation, community service and social programming is needed. By the grace of God, our current Mosques have been able to provide opportunities for our children, but the need has grown with our burgeoning local population. The 248th Street Mosque Project would provide further opportunities for our youth: A safe space to have conversations to strengthen their perspectives, a reflective location to help them continue to build upon their good character, and a fun, collaborative environment where they can engage in service or simply "hangout". I fully support this project that will, amongst other areas of need, support our local, expanding Muslim youth population.

Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about the things that matter." Thank you for reading and reflecting upon my email.

Sincerely,
Alzena Saleem MA Ed, CFP(R), CRPS

ICN Al-Falah Academy
Principal

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:12 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support 248th ICN Mosque

From: n zeeb [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:28 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support 248th ICN Mosque

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To the planning committee -

I am writing in support of the ICN Mosque to be built on the 248th lot. I think it will be great to support the Muslim community of our city and for Naperville to show it cares about its residents of all faiths.

Thank you,
Bina Zeeb

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:12 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

From: H [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:27 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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Hello!

I am writing to let you know that I support this project because Naperville has an active and growing Muslim community. We would really appreciate a larger building where our community could get together. If a private school is established, I am sure that we will attract more people to move to Naperville.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Huma Adnan

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:11 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Regarding 248th Street project

From: kamran hasan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:26 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Regarding 248th Street project

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Dear Sir/ Madam,

I am sending this e-mail in support of the the proposed project for the construction of a mosque at 248th Street in Naperville. Myself and my family are a part of the growing muslim community in the Naperville area. The successful completion of this project is critical to meet the current and future expected growth of the size of the community for the next 30 years as this area has seen over 20% of the growth in muslim population during the past three years. The proposed project will not only include a Mosque but also a full time school, multi-purpose hall, conferencing and babysitting facilities for the community members and their families.

We would really appreciate all your help and support towards the successful completion of this project.

Yours Sincerely,

Kamran Hasan

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:11 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248th ave project support

From: Ummaima [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:26 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN 248th ave project support

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Hello,

I live in the city of naperville and would like to voice my support towards the Islamic center of Naperville building project on 248th ave. This new building will be a place where friendships, brotherhood, and a sense of community will be formed for growing families and families that are new to the area. This is where our kids will learn to build confidence in their faith and use it for the betterment of the community through charitable work, outreach events and interfaith activities. I hope the commission will approve this project for Islamic Center of Naperville.

Regards,
Ummaima Hussain

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:11 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support in Favor Building Islamic Center @ 248th.

From: Aman Ulhaq [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:25 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support in Favor Building Islamic Center @ 248th.

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Hello,

I'm a resident of Naperville, Dupage county.
I fully support the project of Building Islamic Center @ 248th.

This will make Naperville a diverse, educated, and revenue generation community.

Thanks

Mohammed Haq

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:11 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Progress

From: Amrin Ahmed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:25 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Progress

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To the planning and zoning commission of Naperville,

Thank you so much for all the work you have done to get the project to the stage it is at now. We recently built our home in Ashwood Creek and one of the big driving factors for us to move to the area was because of the 248th Masjid proposition. I believe it would be a wonderful addition to this neighborhood and humbly request you to please bring this project to life. Thank you for all of your efforts.

Amrin Ahmed

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:09 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Masjid on 248th

From: Marriam khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:23 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Masjid on 248th

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Hello

I wanted to write in support of the masjid being constructed on 248th. We are residents of Penn Cross Knolls and have 2 girls. We moved to the area keeping the diverse culture opportunities and religious resources available.

I sincerely hope this project is completed soon and we have a place of worship that is so accessible for us and my old parents in law who live with us for a large part of the year.

Best Regards
Marriam Khan

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:09 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for 248th project

-----Original Message-----

From: Ayesha Ghani [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:22 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for 248th project

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To whom it may concern,

I, Ayesha Ghani , reside in the Ashwood Pointe Community on 248th, and I support the ICN 248th masjid project.

In the current climate, inclusion, diversity and representation of various communities is a valuable asset to Naperville, and what makes this city a great place to live. This project would be a place for social gatherings, a place to find purpose, a place to celebrate and people to mourn together. A safe, healthy and accessible place for promoting peace and as well as physical, mental and spiritual health for individuals of all ages in our community. This project will promote youth mentoring programs and help influence our youth citizens of Naperville to share the city in a positive manner.

As a resident and social citizen of Naperville, my neighbors are diverse and we are all welcoming of different backgrounds. As a member of 248th masjid my family will continue to foster and help build on the relationships with all neighbors in the area positively.

Sincerely,
Ayesha Ghani

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:09 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: In support of the 248th project

-----Original Message-----

From: Omar Sabbahi [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:22 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: In support of the 248th project

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Hi There,

As a Naperville resident, I would like to take this opportunity to drop a note and share my support towards the 248th project as it has tremendous value towards the uprising and education of my children, as well as the ability to better practice my religious beliefs.

Having the 248th project in motion allows me to provide proper education to my children which falls in line with my personal beliefs as well as the ability to have more space for my community to come together and be a contributor towards the general Naperville community.

Thanks for taking the time to review this note!

BR,
Omar Sabbahi

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:09 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: In support of ICN mosque being built on 248th lot

-----Original Message-----

From: Nayiab Zuberi [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:22 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: In support of ICN mosque being built on 248th lot

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Hello Members of the Planning & Zoning Commission,

I am an Aurora resident & previous Naperville resident writing in support of the plans to build the ICN Mosque on the lot by 248th and 95th. This would be a great addition to the area where Muslims from North Plainfield, Aurora, and South Naperville wouldn't be far from. We must show support to all faiths.

Thank you,
Nayiab Zuberi

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:08 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 Masjid Project

From: Syed S. Quadri [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:19 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 Masjid Project

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Good Afternoon,

As you are aware, places of worship help to build a permanent community, brings forth businesses and jobs, and helps to build an ethical society that are connected to their neighbors.

Please approve this project.

Thank You.

Syed Quadri

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:08 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248

From: Arif Mohiuddin [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:18 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN 248

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Respected office of Naperville planning officer

As a long-time resident of Bolingbrook ,

I am writing in support of the proposed new Muslim house(mosque) of worship that is seeking a to build on a 248 Road & Wolf's Crossing .

The mosque would be the religious home to some 150 congregants from the area that have been housed for located about a mile away at live in Tall Grass, Ashwood Pointe, AshwoodPark, Ashwood Crossing or Pencross Knoll .

One of the reasons I find 248 across to be such an appealing place to live is the diversity and openness of the community.

As a result of the community's cultural mix, our children have the opportunity to interact with youngsters of all backgrounds in their neighborhoods.

Adding a mosque to our community's rich religious tapestry would be inherently beneficial to the community and should be supported.

With regard to other concerns, It's Good to have a mosque to present expert testimony from its experts regarding compliance with requirements as required for other houses of worship in the town.

I truly hope that the Your office will approve the proposal of the mosque and welcome them to our community with open arms.

Village Naperville

@248 Junction

Regards,

Arif Mohiuddin



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"All mankind is from Adam & Eve, an Arab has no superiority over a non Arab; Also a white has no superiority over a black nor a black has any Superiority over a white – except by Piety & action " – The prophet mohammad ; peace upon him

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:07 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Mosque Project

From: Zain Habib [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:17 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Mosque Project

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Hello Zoning Commission,

I am a longtime Naperville resident and I just wanted to voice my support for the 248th mosque project. There is such a great concentration of Muslim families in the Naperville area and this project will allow for a place for people to convene and act as a community center. The project has tremendous support behind it and I would love for the Commission to help move it forward.

Thanks again for your cooperation!

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:07 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support of ICN 248th Project

From: Umair Ghani [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:15 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support of ICN 248th Project

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To whom it may concern

I, Umair Ghani, live in the Ashwood Pointe Community on 248th and I support the ICN 248th mosque project.

In the current climate, diversity and representation of various communities is a valuable asset to Naperville, and what makes this city a great place to live. This project would be a place for social gatherings, a place to find purpose, a place to celebrate and people to mourn together. A safe, healthy and accessible place for promoting peace and as well as physical, mental and spiritual health for individuals of all ages in our community. This project will promote youth mentoring programs and help influence our youth citizens of Naperville to share the city in a positive manner.

I am in favor of this project as this will allow our families to get together and engage with other families in worship and community activities. Our children will learn about religion, culture and how to positively contribute to our society/neighborhood.

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Thanks,
Umair Ghani

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:07 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th mosque project

From: Rabia Ansari [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:14 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th mosque project

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January 13, 2020

Re: 248th Mosque Project

Dear Naperville City Planning and Zoning Commission,

Please be advised that Rabia Ansari, a citizen of the city of Naperville, is aware and fully support the development of the 248th Mosque Project. This project is instrumental in providing a community center for the Muslim community in Naperville as our current centers are not sufficient for the growing population. Based on my knowledge of the project, I find need for such a center to be appropriate and fully support and approve.

Sincerely,

Rabia Ansari

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:06 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support to 248th Masjid Project

From: ash4838 [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:13 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support to 248th Masjid Project

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Hi,
Hope all is well. I am writing this email in support of the Mosque at 248th it will be a great addition to the community of Naperville in a short and long term.it will bring a great development in the area not only financially but as a community in whole.

Regards,
Shaik

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:06 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Vote to allow construction of mosque on 248th

-----Original Message-----

From: Farah Siddiqui [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:13 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Vote to allow construction of mosque on 248th

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I respectfully submit my vote to allow the construction of the mosque on 248th street. I believe that the worshipers of ICN have always conducted themselves responsibly & congregated peacefully as members of our wonderful community. There is no reason to oppose the rights of good citizens to practice their religion freely.
Thank you.

Farah Siddiqui
Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:06 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN Multi-use/Multi Building Campus

From: Joy Duce [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:13 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN Multi-use/Multi Building Campus

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Hello,

I am a resident of Tallgrass, located in Naperville adjacent to the Tall Grass Greenway Trail. I am writing to contest the approval of a conditional use permit for the ICN proposed project. The main concern is the size of the project and related traffic safety issues, especially at the bike path crossing that our family regularly uses to access Wolf Crossings Park from the Tall Grass Subdivision.

The added traffic, especially on Friday afternoons from the ICN, makes it a dangerous situation for drivers and individuals accessing the path. It is already challenging enough to cross under the current conditions and the added volume of cars will guarantee the injury or potential fatality of an individual attempting to cross 248 via the crosswalk. I plead with you to be proactive and protect our residents and still allow them to access the parks we love via the paths and crosswalks that create a safe means of travel.

I appreciate your diligence in this matter.

Regards,

Joy Duce

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:05 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Project on 248th Street

From: Jabeen Shaik [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:11 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Project on 248th Street

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Good Afternoon

I am writing this email requesting the Naperville city to approve the ICN 248th project. This project will not cause any issues to the neighborhood. This project will benefit the entire Naperville and the surrounding cities by bringing diverse people under one roof.

Thanks.

Kind regards.

Jabeen Shaik
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:05 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Street Masjid Project

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:11 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: RE: 248th Street Masjid Project

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Hello Naperville Planning commission,

I am writing to inform you regarding my support for the 248 street Masjid project being discussed at the next planning meeting. I am a Naperville resident for more than 30 years and consider this project vital for our younger generation to have a place of their own for practicing their religious obligations and provide an educational environment to produce next generation of men and women contributing to our city and country in a positive way.

I hope you will consider this project as a major milestone in bringing peace and prosperity to our dear city.

Regards,
Tariq Chaudhry

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:05 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Naperville Planning & Zoning Commission - January 20, 2021

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:11 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Cc: 'ICN Board' <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Naperville Planning & Zoning Commission - January 20, 2021

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To: Naperville Planning & Zoning Commission
Subject: 248th Ave Masjid Project

Dear Members,

My name is Ahmed Qadeer and I have been a resident of Naperville since July 1977. My two children graduated from the Naperville North High School in early 1990s.

I am a Muslim and I take active part in my community's affairs. I was one of the founders of the Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN). I also served as president of ICN in 1998. We have seen steady growth of Muslim families in the Naperville area since the early 1980s. We purchased the facility at 450 Olesen Drive in 1992 and immediately realized the need for a larger facility. We expanded into our Ogden Avenue (2844 West) location in 2007 but have grown out of it too. We purchased our latest location on 75th Street in 2018 and that is also not sufficient for our ever-increasing needs due to the growth of our community.

We are currently constructing a new facility at 9901 248th Avenue that needs a favorable review & recommendation from the planning commission. As a resident, taxpayer, and voter for over forty years, I am hoping the commission will grant the needed approvals.

Respectfully,
Ahmed Qadeer

Ahmed A. Qadeer
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:04 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Supporting 248th Masjid Project

From: SA [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:09 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Supporting 248th Masjid Project

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Hi

Thanks for giving the opportunity to share our views on 248th Masjid Project

As a family, we support this project for below reasons

1. Youth activities in a right way - strongly believe this project will help youth and kids to involve with various programs organized which will help them in both academic and Spiritual.
2. Local Masjid which avoid travelling far to attend prayer. - environment friendly
3. To accommodate growing population - We could see faster population growth so there is a need for additional facility

Thanks
Basha

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:04 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th mosque project

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From: Leena Faisal ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:09 PM
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Subject: 248th mosque project

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To whom it may concern,

There are many reasons I believe the Muslim community would benefit from a mosque being built. As a Muslim teenager, I believe it's important to be around other Muslims who share my cultural and religious values because there aren't many people in the community who do. A second reason is that I often feel that the mosque we have now is small and crowded, and I think the Muslim community would love a new one that can accommodate our growing community. I think Muslims would gravitate towards a mosque that is spacious and fun, and it would contribute more to our community. A third reason is that I believe it would bring our community together and make more lasting friendships among the children, teens and even adults in our community. Our current mosque often has fun events, and I believe that with a bigger space, they could do even more and give the community a space to feel comfortable and at home around people who share their beliefs

Leena Faisal

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

-----Original Message-----

From: Ahsan Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:09 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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Hello,
I support this project.

Regards,
Ahsan Khan

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Mosque Project

From: nazia khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:08 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Mosque Project

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I am Nazia Khan, I live in Tall grass, Naperville. This email is to bring attention to 248th Mosque project that me and my family are looking forward to. It will be super convenient for me and my family if we can have a mosque in this location.

Regards,
Nazia.

Kopinski, Sara

From: karren <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:02 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: ICN Planning & Zoning

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Dear Ms. Kopinski,

I would like it on record that I am opposed to the construction of a facility as large as ICN is proposing along 248th, south of 95th, in Naperville.

Its location so close to the bike path and newly opened LARGE Park District facility will impact traffic congestion and safety of those engaged in the wonderful outdoor activities encouraged by the Village.

There are locations more suited to this large of a facility: along 111th, east of the train tracks, west of train tracks along Wolf's Crossing, or in the area between 119th, 248th, 127th and Van Dyke.

There is enough congestion in this area already, even with the proposed improvements on 248th.

In regards to current zoning of the area, the current facility is minuscule in comparison to the proposed facility. The additional traffic potential for over 900 parking spaces would negatively impact the surrounding area. People will also, most likely, try to use the proposed parking lot for access to the bike path, which will cause friction among the community.

Also, there are no other facilities like this in a fully residential area. It will increase traffic, noise, congestion, and outdoor enjoyment.

Thank you for taking my concerns to the Commission.

Sincerely,
Karren and Jim Kirth

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Street Mosque

From: sajid sarwar [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:04 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Street Mosque

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Hi,

I am delighted about the construction of new Mosque on 248th Street, Naperville, IL. I lived in Ashwood Pointe (248th street) and this new facility will be just in front of my neighborhood and it will provide good community service to my family.

Regards,
Sajid Khan

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 4:00 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support For Mosque Project at 248

-----Original Message-----

From: Bahezaad Saleem [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:03 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support For Mosque Project at 248

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Greetings,

I am writing to express my support and the benefits for the local community of Tall Grass in Naperville.

The mosque project is important to the overall community and population in the area to the growing needs of the population when it comes to interfaith dialogue, peaceful place for worship, encouragement for youth to gather for meaningful purposes and grow their social skills to benefit the community.

I have heard rumors that this noble project will cause increased traffic and cause issues which are completely not true and just speculations based on conjecture.

I would request the council to support this and other similar projects to diversify our community and make it one of the strongest, diversified and peaceful community in the nation.

Regards,
Saleem Bahezaad

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Mosque on 248th Street, Naperville, illinois

From: Sabiha M [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:00 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Mosque on 248th Street, Naperville, illinois

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Addressed to the Zoning and Planning Committee

Respected Sir/Madam,

We request your permission and approval to build our Islamic religious place of worship on the 248th street near Pencross knoll subdivision, Naperville, Illinois.

As a mother, I greatly feel that our children needs a strong upbringing were we should be able to love ,care,respect and cultivate a great appreciation of religious tolerance. We as human beings and United States citizens, should be a continuous example to each and every child and adult,that we respect all people of color and ethnicity and their Place of worship.

Thus building this Masjid, on 248th will help and create tolerance to other religion, and also educate and build a strong community.

We would greatly appreciate you and committe members for your effort and time invested in a remarkable decision that would show our Naperville Community as a religiously coexistence city.

Thanks,
Sabiha Jeelani and Family
Resident of Pencross Knoll

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:59 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid

-----Original Message-----

From: Ashraf Hasan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:00 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid

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Good afternoon,

I am writing in support of the ICN 248th street project. This is a community center that will enhance the stability and safety of the community.

I am a physician for the last 25 years and have grown up and work in Chicagoland. I currently live in Naperville and have seen all the good projects and community work that ICN provides for our family as well as the city of Naperville.

Please move forward with the construction of the masjid on 248th for the benefit of all.

Thank you for your time,

Respectfully,

Ashraf Hasan, MD
Naperville, Illinois

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:58 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: support for 248th st mosque project

From: Waheeda Pothigara [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:59 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Re: support for 248th st mosque project

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Hi,

I am a resident of Ashwood Pointe at birch lane. I am a mother of 8 year old son. I moved from California specifically to Naperville last year because of the amazing community built by the Islamic center of Naperville (ICN). Having a strong community center is one of the best ways to ensure the all round development of our youth in America, and I have seen this time and time again in the various cities me and my family have lived in.

ICN has a number of active programs that me and my family participate in including but not limited to boys scouts of America, language learning programs and student mentorship programs. When I heard that ICN was going to expand and open new campus right on 248th Street, I was besides myself with joy. I strongly believe that this will bring a positive impact for everyone living near this neighborhood and I wholeheartedly support this project and I am writing to you today to express how important this project is to everyday residents of Naperville like me .

Best ,
Waheeda Pothigara

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:58 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: PZC Meeting - 248 Project

From: jebin hashim [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:57 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: PZC Meeting - 248 Project

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Dear Sir/ Madam,

My name is Jebin Hashim and I live at [REDACTED] in the Ashwood Pointe Sub-division. I have been living in Naperville since 2011 and I feel blessed to be part of this wonderful city. **I am writing this email in support of construction of Islamic Center of Naperville's mosque project located in 248 Ave.**

The Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) organization has been doing a wonderful job in engaging the Naperville community with various inter-faith programs like Open Mosque day. Moreover, some of their initiatives like the free health clinic has proved very beneficial for people living in and around Naperville. In the challenging world we live today filled with hatred and violence, religious institutions should continue to grow and prosper in order to ensure future generations have a platform for guidance towards love and peace.

Through social platforms like WhatsApp and Facebook, I have noticed a lot of fear mongering and miscommunication being spread about this project from surrounding sub-divisions. For instance, I have read that this project will apparently be the largest mosque built in North America, which I know, is false. In fact, this is not even the largest mosque built in the Chicago region. Similarly, many such false accusations have been made against this project and I am hoping the PZC meeting becomes a platform for the City of Naperville to clarify all misconceptions.

While I agree that all genuine concerns should be addressed by ICN, let hatred for a religion not become a factor to cancel or delay this project. I have been told that this project is not requesting any major variances from the city and has been designed in accordance with Naperville's building laws and regulations.

I am a firm believer in the Constitution and I hope and pray the City of Naperville will uphold the First Amendment by approving this project.

Thanks,

Jebin Hashim

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:58 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: PZC Meeting - 248 Project

From: reniz [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:55 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: PZC Meeting - 248 Project

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Dear Sir/ Madam,

My name is Reniz Moosa and I live at [REDACTED] in the Ashwood Pointe Sub-division. I have been living in Naperville since 2011 and I feel blessed to be part of this wonderful city. I received the Notice of Public Hearing dated 01/04/21 and I am writing this email in support of construction of Islamic Center of Naperville's mosque project located in 248 Ave.

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Thanks,

Reniz Moosa

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:57 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: PZC #20-1-052 Islamic Center of Naperville

From: Shaji Ahmed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:54 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: PZC #20-1-052 Islamic Center of Naperville

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Dear members of the Zoning Commission,

I write to you today to share my personal support of this project for the Islamic Center of Naperville. As a 17 year resident of Naperville we have been blessed to be part of this diverse and multicultural community which reminds me very much of my hometown; Toronto, Canada. My family and I have grown with this community over the years and appreciate all the amenities and the social and spiritual services Naperville has to offer. I strongly believe the addition of this new Islamic Center will benefit the greater community for years to come and we humbly request your support and approval of this project

Thank you for this opportunity as Citizens to share our feedback and for your dedication to the growth of Naperville.

Best Regards,

Shaji Ahmed
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:57 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: PZC #20-1-052 Islamic center of Naperville

From: mehmooda ahmed [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:53 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: PZC #20-1-052 Islamic center of Naperville

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Thank you for this opportunity as Citizens to share our feedback and for your dedication to the growth of Naperville.

Thank you!
Mehmooda Shah

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Ashok K. Jhavar <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 3:30 PM
To: [REDACTED]; Kopinski, Sara
Subject: Proposed Project to Build a Large Mosque

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Dear Ms Kopinski,

I wish to express my opinion about the proposed project to build a large mosque in the middle of a totally residential area in south Naperville. I am a resident of Carillon Club. I believe that this building will add a lot of traffic in the area. Between aging seniors and young children going to school, one of the last things you need is more traffic congestion. I humbly submit that an alternate location should be chosen by the project owners where there are fewer senior citizens and younger children.

Sincerely,

Ashok K. Jhavar

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:53 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248 Avenue

-----Original Message-----

From: Yasir Rome ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:50 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN 248 Avenue

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Hi,

I'm writing in support of ICN 248 Avenue project. It is a fundamental project that holds great significance for Muslims living in Naperville and surrounding areas. Your cooperation will be highly appreciated.

Regards,

Yasir Romee

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:53 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Naperville 248th Mousque request

From: chicago fan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:49 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Naperville 248th Mousque request

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Good afternoon Naperville Planning and Zoning Commission,

I hearby bring to your attention the 248th Mosque will be the very close mosque for me and my family. Weekend school this close to my home will be really helpful to my young kids.

Thanks

Farooq

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:53 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW:

From: wali kazmi [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:47 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject:

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248 icn mosque project.

Madam/ sir

Ref above i wish to state that the communities in and around this zone will greatly benefit from the above project. It serves as a center for spirituality and faith consolidation that helps in being responsible citizen who contribute to the nation building.

I expect the authorities shall ratify the proposed project entirely soonest.

Kindest regards.

Syed Kazmi

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:53 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th street Muslim Community Center

From: Faiqa Ahsan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:47 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th street Muslim Community Center

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Naperville City Planning and Zoning Commission ,

I fully support 248th Muslim Community Center (Mosque Project). This project is an extremely important for my family and larger Muslim community of Naperville.

The project provides us with a mosque on the south side of Naperville. It will also provide us with the school and community center.

Your support and approval for this project will be highly appreciated.

Faiqa Ahsan

Kopinski, Sara

From: Amy Aguilar <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:51 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: Re: ICN - voicemail follow up

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Sara,

Thank you.

I have concerns related to the request for a conditional use permit by ICN for the land on the east side of 248th, across from the main entrance to Ashwood Pointe neighborhood.

This is a residential area, and the land is zoned for residential. I think building a large mosque with a parking lot for 901 cars is not fitting within the residential feel of the neighborhood. Many of us bought in this area to have a residential feel off of a main roadway and away from industrial and commerce based land (although near 59 with access to these things). The placement of a mosque within the middle of residential areas has the potential to decrease home values as it changes the feel and aesthetics. This will also create traffic concerns and although the road is intended to be widened, the mosque appears to be coming a few years ahead of the road widening. An additional traffic study appears to have been done in December 2020 and it created an immense backlog of cars through Ashwood Pointe, making it dangerous for kids at play.

Thank you,
Amy Aguilar

On Mon, Jan 11, 2021 at 11:20 AM Kopinski, Sara <KopinskiS@naperville.il.us> wrote:
You can email me and I will include it. Thank you!

Sara

From: Amy Aguilar [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, January 11, 2021 11:07 AM
To: Kopinski, Sara <KopinskiS@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Re: ICN - voicemail follow up

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Thank you. What email should I send my concerns to?

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 11, 2021, at 10:08 AM, Kopinski, Sara <KopinskiS@naperville.il.us> wrote:

Amy,

Good morning! Your voicemail was forwarded to me as the planner working on the ICN development proposal. Thank you for reaching out and providing comments on the Islamic Center of Naperville.

Should you wish to have your comments available for the Planning and Zoning Commission's consideration, I recommend you submit an email noting your concerns by Wednesday of this week. This will ensure it will be included in a public comment packet that is made available to the public and distributed to the Planning and Zoning Commissioners for consideration prior to the public hearing for this case.

The public hearing is scheduled for January 20, 2021, and no approvals have been granted for the project. Please visit the City website at <https://www.naperville.il.us/government/board-and-commissions/planning-and-zoning-commission/> for updates and scheduling information. The agenda packet for the January 20th meeting will be available to the public on Friday, January 15th. You and others will have the opportunity to participate and share your concerns during the public hearing, or by providing written comments prior to. The public speaker sign up link will be available once the agenda packet is released.

For informational purposes, documents and plans pertaining to the Islamic Center are available here: <https://owncloud.naperville.il.us/index.php/s/Tj1W3yulNzbtXDX>. New documents will be uploaded to this site as they are available.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Regards,

Sara Kopinski

Community Planner | Planning & Development - TED Business Group

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(630) 420-6075 | kopinskis@naperville.il.us

Kopinski, Sara

From: Bill Radostits <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:43 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Cc: [REDACTED] Bill Radostits
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville's new Mosque Construction Proposal on 248th Street

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Good Afternoon Ms. Kopinski,

We are four year residents in the Carillon Club on 95th Street and 248th Street.

My wife and I are opposed to the construction of the proposed Mosque on 248th Street, south of 95th Street. Zoning laws are made to protect property owners and the value they expect will be maintained based on the zoning prior to investing in their property. Residential zoning and commercial zoning have specific needs and infrastructure provisions. We believe there are obvious concerns with safety and an increased volume of traffic that would hamper residents that are already in the surrounding communities. We would be opposed if it was a department store, a bowling alley, a grocery store, or any kind of church or religious institution that would bring the equivalent traffic volume and safety concerns.

We appreciate the opportunity to state my our opinion and objection.

Respectfully,

Bill

Bill Radostits

Resident in The Carillon Club

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Kopinski, Sara

From: CATHERINE DYBALSKI <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:19 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville
Attachments: Letter Re Islamic Center proposed.docx

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Sara, attached you will find my concerns and comments as a resident of Tall Grass regarding the proposed Islamic Center of Naperville. I am hopeful that the city will take our concerns seriously. This is a major proposal with disaterous affects on our community.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Catherine R. Dybalski
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Attachment

Kopinski, Sara

From: Sarah Muñoz <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:18 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Cc: [REDACTED]; Kyle Munoz
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville Proposal

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Good afternoon Sara,

My husband and I and our family live in the Ashwood Pointe community at the intersection of 248th Ave and Honey Locust Drive. We are against the ICN proposal because of the increased traffic and corresponding safety issues that go along with that. We don't feel that the size of this development is appropriate given the surrounding residential areas.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards,
Sarah Munoz

Kopinski, Sara

From: Safia Bajwa <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:15 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: Project 248 masjid

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We support this project ,We are the residents of Tall Grass

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: L. Dollinger <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 2:09 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: Proposed Islamic Center of Naperville

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Dear Ms. Kopinski,

I am a resident of Carillon Club in Naperville. I am sending this email to voice my opposition to the proposed Islamic Center of Naperville. I believe the size and magnitude of any project this size would have a detrimental impact on the residential communities surrounding this area. I have very valid safety, traffic, and quality of life concerns for the neighboring communities. I am aware 248th will be made a four lane street, but with a facility this size, traffic will be a nightmare not only on 248th but 95th, 103, and 111th. I believe the magnitude of this Center should NOT be built on this parcel of land.

Thank you.

Linda Dollinger

Kopinski, Sara

From: Molly Evans <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:48 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: LTTR to City re: proposed development on 248th Ave on behalf of the Tall Grass HOA
Attachments: LTTR to City re 248th Ave proposed development - 1.13.21.pdf

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Hi, Sara.

Attached is a letter to be submitted with the PZC packet on behalf of the Tall Grass Homeowners Association.

Could this letter please be placed on top of the letters of concern when submitted to ensure it doesn't get lost in the mix of other email concerns?

Thanks,

Molly Evans
On-site Assistant Community Manager

Associa® – Tall Grass Association

[REDACTED]
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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:44 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for 248th Project

From: Zubeida Yousuf [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:43 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for 248th Project

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Dear Council Members,

I am a Muslim resident of Naperville living in the White Eagle subdivision. I moved here with my family from Orland Park in the summer of 2019, and one of the biggest reasons behind our move was the active and growing Muslim community here. I have been so impressed by all the activities the ICN has been involved in, from weekend school, to age appropriate clubs for all my kids, to informative programs for adults. Not only that, they have organized Open Mosque Days for the whole community, and regularly hold charity drives for the needy. The sense of community and belonging we've felt here in just one year cannot be put into words. Even during the pandemic, they have gone out of their way to organize virtual programs for all age levels and interests.

I am sure that by expanding and being able to complete their new project on 248th, the ICN community will be able to provide better facilities and services, and be an asset to the area. The ICN community is growing and we need the extra space, and this new project is something we have all been looking forward to.

I sincerely hope you consider these points when deciding the future of this project, and understand that it's benefits to the surrounding community far outweigh any negatives. I want to thank all council members for their support of the ICN community over the years, and realize that we wouldn't have made it this far if it wasn't for you!

Thank you,

Zubeida Yousuf

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:43 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for the 248th Avenue Mosque

-----Original Message-----

From: Seema Malik Zafar [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:37 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for the 248th Avenue Mosque

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Good afternoon,

I am writing in support of the 248th street Mosque construction. Our democracy allows for faith institutions to freely practice their faiths. I strongly believe this beautiful mosque will enhance our diverse community. Thank you for your support.

Kind regards,
Seema Zafar

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:43 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project in Naper

From: Nazim Chowdhury [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:35 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project in Naper

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Attn. : Naperville City Planning and Zoning Commission

Dear Sir/Madam

It would be appreciated if your team considers to provide an approval Planning and Zoning of the above mentioned project.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Mohammed Chowdhury

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:43 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Street Mosque- Imaan Faisal

From: Sarah Faisal [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:38 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Street Mosque- Imaan Faisal

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Hi,

Here is a letter from my 5th grade daughter.

I'm so excited about the new mosque. It will be closer to our house! It's amazing how many things we use a mosque for. My favorite thing is to celebrate our holiday, Eid at a mosque. I love to go in and see so many people dressed in their prettiest clothes. I love getting and giving gifts on Eid and during Ramadan. There's always fun activities to do at the mosque. I love helping make food packs for people that need it.

The mosque is also a great place to make friends! Everyone can say my name and knows what it means.

I love going to the mosque. It's so special to me. It makes me happy, and feels like another home. I can't wait till we can go to the new mosque, it will give us more space to do our fun things!

Thank you for reading my message.

Imaan Faisal-5th grade

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:43 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Islamic Center of Naperville 248th project

From: Yahya Abutaleb [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:38 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Islamic Center of Naperville 248th project

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Dear Planning and Zoning Commission,

I live on 111th street and support the Islamic Center of Naperville 248th project. I think it will help the community, increase diversity, make the community more secure, increase the value of neighboring houses and will alleviate traffic off route 59 for people coming from the south going north to the Islamic Center of Naperville on Ogden Ave.

Thank you for consideration.
Regards,
Yahya

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:42 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 Center

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From: Nasir Shahab [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:39 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 Center

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Dear members

We moved to Naperville in 2006 from Missouri and immediately fell in love with the city. No doubt this is considered the best place to live in USA. Thanks to the vibrant and diverse community, and very involved city council.

We love the faith based centers all over the city that serve all faith groups. As a Muslim we enjoy ICN and we were delighted when ICN announced its plan to build another center on 248. We bought a small house opposite 248, in the Ashwood Pointe as a retirement place for me and my wife and to be close to the 248 center. The house is adjacent to a trail that goes all the way to the 248 Center. This will be our dream place to live a retirement life in Naperville.

We are looking forward to the approval of the Planned 248 ICN center in the upcoming planning and zoning meeting.

Sincerely

Nasir And Irum Shahab
Currently at

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Our retirement home

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:42 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248 Mosque Project Support

From: safa shaik ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:45 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN 248 Mosque Project Support

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Dear Naperville Planning & Zoning Commission,

I hope all who read this email are doing well and keeping safe in these uncertain times. My name is Safa Shaik and I have been a resident of Naperville my entire life. Growing up, I was fortunate to have a community like ICN that was already well established but also growing along with me. I remember going with my friends to visit their own religious community centers and always being left in awe at the resources and facilities they had. It was always the little things like my Islamic weekend school using their own building instead of renting a facility, having wudu stations in our bathrooms to properly prepare for prayer, gym facilities specifically for women, and most importantly a large enough prayer area for our nightly prayers during the month of Ramadan so we don't have to spread to the hallways.

All of these things I have listed other communities already have, but ours will only have with the completion of the 248 Mosque Project. This is not just another mosque for me, but a community center where I can see my children growing up and myself growing old. The completion of this project has been long awaited by many who like myself have grown older dreaming of the day we would have a facility of our own. The community center will allow for all individuals of diverse backgrounds to come together as one. It will be the first purpose-built facility allowing for different activities such as school and sports to take place on a much larger scale than before.

I support and stand behind the approval of this facility. I hope your decision allows for this facility to be built and foster the growth of our next generation.

Kind Regards,

Safa Shaik

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:42 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Mosque Project

From: Pineapple [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:41 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Mosque Project

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Naperville City Planning and Zoning Commission ,

I like to bring into your attention the support for 248th Muslim Community Center (Mosque Project). This project is an extremely important milestone for Muslim community of Naperville as this bring much needed mosque, school and community center for us and our community.

The project not only provides a nearby mosque to pray in but also eventually a school where we can send our kids to get religious education.

The Naperville community has been working for multiple years to get approval to start building and your support and approval will be highly appreciated.

Best Regards,

Ahsan Faiz, PMP
Director, Major Projects
Gas Processing Technologies
Honeywell UOP

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:42 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN 248 Project

-----Original Message-----

From: Raabia Hussain [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:33 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: ICN 248 Project

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Hello,

I am writing to display my support for the ICN 248 Project to happen. There are not many mosques in the area, and would be helpful to have one closer. It would be convenient to have another one closer to be able to affectively practice my faith without having to travel 30 minutes to the nearest one.

Thank you,
A member of the ICN community.

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:42 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project

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From: May Barqawi [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:31 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project

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Hello,

As a muslim, I fully support the 248th Masjid project. The Mosque is an essential pillar of the Islamic community. Its a center for praying and worship as well as important community events and social gatherings. It will be great to have access to a nearby Mosque with all the necessary facilities and amenities.

Thank you,

May

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:41 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for 248th Ave Development

From: elmur82 ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:29 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for 248th Ave Development

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To: Naperville City Planning and Zoning Commission.

I, Elmurad Kandimov, have been living in Naperville since 2005. Since then me and my family of 7 have come to love it and call it home. We love the diversity and openness of the Naperville community. I am proud to be part of such a beautiful community that has opened its doors to people of all faiths and different ethnicities.

Being a Muslim, a minority group in Naperville, we have only 3 islamic centers which are fairly spread out. But the number of centers don't correspond to the number of Muslim population here in Naperville. I live in Ashwood Park subdivision ([REDACTED]) and the closest community center for my family is on Ogden Ave and Rt 59, which makes it less than ideal. Having a center on 248th Ave would make it so convenient not only for my family but hundreds of other families who live in the vicinity.

The 248th Ave Islamic Community Center would be a place for communities of all faith to come together and have dialogue. After all by talking to each other we'd be able to strengthen the bonds of friendship within our community. I hope the council will consider the needs of hundreds of families to assemble for worship, to have a place to congregate and teach their children the values of good citizenship, to have a place that would act as a bridge between communities of different faiths. I hope the council will give the green light for the 248th Ave project to proceed.

Thank you for taking your time to read my concerns.

Sincerely,

--

Elmurad Kandimov

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:41 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Masjid Project Support

From: Danial Malik [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:27 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Masjid Project Support

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Hi,

I'm emailing to let you know that the 248th Masjid Project will be a great pillar for the local Muslim community. I plan to have my family and myself actively go to this Masjid once it's constructed because it's closer to our home. I fully support this project because I believe it will be beneficial for my family and my community.

Thank you,

Danial

Danial Malik
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:41 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support 248 Masjid

From: Muzaffer Khan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:25 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support 248 Masjid

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Dear Sir/Madam,
I live in Ashwood Park and I am writing these lines to inform you that we support 248 Masjid project as this will help bring the community together, offer prayers, invite our great neighbors and participate in healthy activities.

Respectfully yours,
Muzaffer Khan

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:41 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Support for Islamic Center of Naperville 248th St Project

From: Ahmed Jamil [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:25 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Support for Islamic Center of Naperville 248th St Project

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Good afternoon –

I am a resident of Naperville, having lived in the city now for eight years. I currently live at [REDACTED]

I wanted to reach out and voice my support for the Islamic Center of Naperville, and their efforts to build a new facility on the south west side of the city. I have gotten to know the organization over the years, and find that they bring good diversity to our landscape here in Naperville, which is so important in the current environment.

Thank you so much for taking my comments into consideration, and for your ongoing support of diverse voices and perspectives in our wonderful city.

Ahmed Jamil
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:41 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: I support the ICN 248th Project

From: Reemaz Rehan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:24 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: I support the ICN 248th Project

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Hello,

I have lived in Naperville for most of my life. Attending school from Kindergarten through high school in Dist 204.

I live in Ashwood Park.

I am very excited about the ICN 248th Project. This will be right in my neighborhood. ICN does amazing work with the entire community. They offer so many programs and services (example Free Clinic)

I support this project and look forward to the opening of the center.

Best Regards
Reemaz Rehan

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:40 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Zoning approval for ICN

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From: syed haseeb [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:23 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Zoning approval for ICN

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Respected committee

I have been a member of this community for nearly 20 years. Since this community as a whole grow and develop into a more mature, peaceful and adverse community. By the Grace of God, as a representation of the Muslim community in Naperville, I and my extended family have always felt so integrated and secure in this beautiful neighborhood. Even during the worst times for the Muslim community globally, one city and especially this town as been always been helpful and made us feel at ease and at home. Our mosque , have always been an epicenter of unity and peace for the community. This is all because of the integrity and oneness of the whole community of Naperville. Keeping this in mind, I am very positive and assured that the city of Naperville will have no objection in approving our zone issue for the beautiful community center. I can assure you that, this center will be a doorway to peace, harmony and an area of knowledge, not only to the Muslims but to the whole city of Naperville.

Thanks

Syed Haseeb

Sent from my iPad

Kopinski, Sara

From: Kelly Wunderlich <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:23 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara; [REDACTED]
Subject: Fw: Against ICN proposal for 248th/between 95th and 103rd

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Sara Kopinski

To whom it may concern-

We are against the ICN proposed plans for the area in Naperville 248th / between 95th and 103rd please do not grant request to build out, for that residential area. It would be to busy in that area and cause probles for all that live there.

Thank you ! Kelly and Jim Wunderlich

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:23 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Supporting 248th Mosque

From: Mitah Iam [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:22 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Supporting 248th Mosque

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Hi,

I am writing in support to build the Mosque on 248th street. I had the chance to meet several Muslims in Naperville and it is critical that they have more spaces where they can collectively worship and meet. As recent events show, when people don't have strong communities, they get stuck into dark holes online. Muslims need safe spaces to meetup and I think the 248th street mosque is essential. Especially when you compare how many Churches we have in Naperville, adding another mosque is a no brainer!

Thank you,
John Moore

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:21 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Mosque/Community Center Project

From: Mazharul Haq [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:08 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Mosque/Community Center Project

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Hello Planning Committee,

I am writing in regards to my support of the planned project of the Islamic Center of Naperville on 248th st.

I am currently a Naperville resident living close to the 248th st. project. I am a huge fan of Naperville, its schools, community, and consistent and fair governance. I own multiple properties in Naperville.

This planned project will be a huge benefit to the community at large and will continue attracting more residents to Naperville and surrounding areas. I understand some concerns have been expressed by some residents however, like with any other such project, such concerns can be addressed - they don't appear to be show stoppers.

I am confident the city planning committee will hear all residents and provide a fair ruling.

Thank you,

Mohammed Haq
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:21 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 St. Masjid (ICN)

From: Jamal Ansari [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:20 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 St. Masjid (ICN)

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Dear Planning And zoning Commission,
Not as a Muslim, but as a US citizen, and at a time where we are witnessing the navigation away from “ in GOD we trust” I would kindly request the approval of the 248 st. ICN project, so we could reinstate such value in our community and the future generation.
Best regards
In GOD we trust
Jamal Ansari
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:21 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th Street Masjid Project.

From: SK [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:07 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th Street Masjid Project.

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Sir/Madam,

I moved to Illinois from Michigan last year and chose to live in Naperville. One of the main reasons for choosing Naperville was it's diverse community with many diverse faiths. Being a Muslim, I found the Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN) to be a well run organization addressing the needs of the Muslim community. Considering my plan to buy a house in the area, I was really excited about the upcoming 248th Street Masjid Project.

I would strongly urge the members of the Zoning commission to approve this project. In addition to supporting the local economy and attracting new residents to the area, studies have documented reduced crime rates in the vicinity of Masjid's!

Thanking you for consideration,

Regards,

Shahid Khan, MD

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:21 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th project - support

-----Original Message-----

From: Lalakhan Patan [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:07 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th project - support

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Hi,
We recently moved to the community close to Tall grass and other communities on 248th. We were very happy to hear about this project and waiting for this to be completed soon. This will be definitely a great support for the Muslim communities especially at the time of EID prayers.

Thank you,
Patan

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:21 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Mosque Project

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From: Zk Xi [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:19 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Mosque Project

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I really support this project because, it is very close to my house and is at walking distance. It is also a very good place to go play sports in the gym as well. I am a resident of Tall Grass

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:20 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW:

From: Hareem Baig [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:19 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject:

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Good Afternoon

We want this 248th project will be done as soon as possible because it'll be closer from our house and we will support it as much as we can.. we're waiting for a long time.. please consider..

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Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:20 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW:

From: jakvani [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:10 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject:

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Gentlemen

We are the group of 10 individuals writing this email to allow 248th street projects as proposed. We are professionals including Doctors Engineers Accountants and peaceful law abiding Citizens wants a prayer place to worship.

We would like this prayer location near our homes and it will also provide Economic opportunities for the city as well and will not create any obstacles to local public.

We would appreciate your considerations in this regard.

Thank you

Regards.

Concerned local Citizens

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:20 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th street Mosque

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From: Faaria Husain ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:18 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th street Mosque

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Good afternoon,

I would like to make my support for the 248th Mosque known. Members of my community as well as my own family are very excited about the idea of having a facility for us to gather in and to congregate with one another for social, religious, and cultural events. We would be greatly appreciative to have support from our greater Naperville community for our cultural and religious center, as we are aware of Naperville being a very inclusive city.

Thank you for your time,

Faaria Husain
Ashwood Creek

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:20 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th street islamic center

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From: Ayesha Bhara [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:17 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248th street islamic center

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Hi,

Please allow for the construction of the 248th street islamic center. This is a major need for our community and especially for me and my children to be able to perform our religious duties. We are residents of Ashwood Pointe in Naperville and would really love to have the islamic center close to home.

Thank You,
Ayesha Bhara

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:20 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 Street Plot for Religious purposes.

From: Faheem Beg ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:17 PM
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I second to allow the plot for Islamic Religion Prayer House.

Thank you.

Faheem Beg

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:20 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Community Member support for 248 Mosque Project

From: Asim Gaffar [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:16 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Community Member support for 248 Mosque Project

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Hello,

My name is Asim Gaffar and I have lived in the South Pointe Naperville subdivision since 2003. We were one of the first houses built in the subdivision and over the years I have seen our section of rt 59 go from empty roads and fields to a bustling and active area. I am so grateful that the 248 mosque plan is going as planned and so close to where I live.

I am a teacher and a former youth and charity director and I have benefited tremendously from being a member of the Islamic Center of Naperville. It became my 2nd home where I met my closest adult friends, learned values that have shaped my life for the better and gotten involved and developed for so many different charity drives and organizations. It is through ICN that I learned about and volunteered for the Special Olympics, Feed my starving children, DuPage river and lake cleanup and many other Naperville area charities. We've had many opportunities to move over the years, but Naperville is home for me because of ICN.

I write this letter as I have been told the Tall Grass HOA is objecting to the new site on 248th. Our current mosque locations have not been able to keep up with the community population growth in our city and we've had to cancel many wonderful ideas and programs because of a lack of space at our mosque. 75th street mosque sight has improved things, but southern Naperville is far from the location. In a city of over 100,000 with a large Muslim population and with no other mosques but ICN, we need this location. And it is wonderful to see how many churches have been made and constructed in our area as well. We hope to be their intefaiith partners and neighbors soon.

I am often at the tall grass subdivision walking the path and visiting many of my friends that live there. I bikeride all the time around the 248 site and have seen the vast amount of space available for our site to be developed without harm to tall grass or the area. Instead I think of the mosque site as an important enhancement of an empty area. Before the Ogden facility was purchased our community was forced to be small due to the size of the Olesen facility. But once Ogden came about we saw a growth of Muslim businesses from engineering and IT firms to restaurants and grocery stores. In 2003 I would go all the way to Chicago to find a good halal place to eat and now I'm spoiled in Naperville! Imagine the business potential once 248 is built. Naperville will show itself to be a shining beacon of diversity that celebrates and not deters an important faith group.

There is so much more I want to say, but I don't want to take up too much of your time. Our community has been blessed with direct and consistent support from the city of Naperville and the city council. Thank you for everything. I hope you will be able to support us once again.

Asim Gaffar

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:19 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Masjed 248 st.

From: wahid ward [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:15 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Masjed 248 st.

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Hi. My name is Abdul Wahid Ward and I am member of Muslim community of Naperville. I support the 248 st. Masjid Project in naperville.

Sincerely,

Sent from AT&T Yahoo Mail on Android

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:19 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248th masjid project

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From: Harun Galaria [REDACTED]
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To whom it may concern
I support this project because it is worship place for our community.

Thank you very much for your kind consideration and support.

Sent from my iPhone

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:19 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: Please consider during the upcoming hearing

From: Arshed Aroos [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:14 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Please consider during the upcoming hearing

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a U.S. Citizen and resident of Naperville writing to you to express my support for the project of establishing a place of worship/community center in our area. I live in Ashwood Subdivision.

I support the project as I believe a place of worship regardless of it being a mosque, a church, a temple, a synagogue etc., is a significant need to grow together as a community.

Apart from worship, it also serves as a community center for group activities, social support, public information and other purposes.

It's a place where respectful, ethical and caring children are raised, adolescents are disciplined and guided in the right way and senior residents are provided a social setting. It acts as a large facility for social engagement and does not benefit just a particular group but the greater community too.

Just like every area requires a school, a hospital, a post office, a mall, a gym etc., a place of worship is also important for the purpose of improving the community.

Neighbors who live near this area need to drive more than 18 minutes each way for a mosque for their prayers. We don't have a place of worship near this area and we had several new residential developments in this area; the population has grown tremendously. Since Naperville is one of the best/safest cities to live, we do see an increase in families moving to the community. I am sure that we have to facilitate and accommodate all those newcomers.

Therefore I hereby humbly request you to consider the project and grant permission to execute the project.

Thanks and let us build a safer Naperville and maintain it as one of the best cities in the United State.

In God We Trust.

Arshed Aroos and Aroos Family
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:19 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 Mosque Project

From: Ibtesam Kamal [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:06 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 Mosque Project

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Hello,

As a resident near the area, I wanted to express my support for the project to build a new mosque at the 248th Street location. This plan is extremely necessary to fulfill many of the needs this community has, providing services to young and old alike. It will be a beautiful opportunity to build relations not only amongst the large population of Muslim citizens living in the area, but across interfaith lines as well. The Islamic center of Naperville has time and time again sponsored and conducted projects for the betterment of the Naperville community, and this mosque is an integral and valuable aspect of that mission.

Thank you,
Ibtesam Kamal

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:19 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: 248 Mosque Project

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 11:15 AM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: 248 Mosque Project

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Dear Members of Planning and Zoning Commission

My name is Asim Jeelani and I am a resident of Naperville for over 10 years. I am an accomplished Information Technology leader who has worked at large companies such as DXC Technology, Hewlett Packard, Sears Holdings Company and IBM. When we are moving from Michigan, one of the main factors choosing Naperville as our new home was the schools and the Muslim community. I was impressed with how well they are integrated in the larger Naperville community and their involvement in interfaith events and activities.

The ICN community has provided my family with spiritual and religious footings which is essential in raising children for their wellbeing both physically and mentally.

I support the ICN 248th project because of the above reasons. I believe that Naperville is the best city to live in because it provides the diversity which creates a understanding for each other and allows us to accept each other. This are in fact of the Islamic Values that we believe and practice. As part of value system we teach our children to respect the elders, take of their parents in old age, to take care of the neighbors, be the best in your character, be the best in what you do, make the community around you a better place for all, and last but not the least, establish prayer.

I thank you for your time in considering and approving this project.

Sincerely
Asim Jeelani

Asim Jeelani
Email: [REDACTED]

Kopinski, Sara

From: Planning
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:18 PM
To: Kopinski, Sara
Subject: FW: ICN Masjid - 248th Street

From: Sarah Razi ([REDACTED])
Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 1:06 PM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>; Sarah Razi <[REDACTED]>
Subject: ICN Masjid - 248th Street

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Respected Sir/Madam,

I fully support the ICN Masjid project on 248th street. I am a resident of Tall Grass. This will be good for the community, will increase value of the houses and bring positivity to the community.

i appreciate you taking time to consider my request

Sarah Abdurrafi
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]