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Dear Planning Services Team,

My name is Pamela Gregory Carius and I'm writing on behalf of my son and his family. As a third generation Naperville resident, my husband, Allen, and I have seen the growth and changes to our town. From the mega mansions of downtown, where you can practically reach out and touch your neighbor, to the number of stores, restaurants, and hotels lined up along the streets.

Brent is a teacher at Riverwoods Elementary School and his wife, Colleen, is a nurse at Central Dupage Hospital. They were able to buy their "forever" home in Old Sawmill located at 2429 Newport Drive. They have worked very hard and tried to save what they could to improve their home little by little. After years of dealing with a large rotted deck, they were able to find a reputable builder for a screen porch addition and patio to replace the old deck. Going through the proper channels, they were shot down by Naperville. Walking through this neighborhood, over half the homes have 3 season rooms and home additions that are as little as 9 feet away from the fence line. With their third child on the way, having this porch would help them enjoy a finished and safe back yard It's hard to understand why a city would say no to a growing young family trying to improve their home. All the neighbors are on their side and support the improvement.

In this area of Naperville, I see homes from \$200,000 to \$900,000, and I'm pretty surprised to see some homes with crumbling landscaping, garbage collected in yards, rotted fences, and overall run down houses. Where is the city when it comes to keeping up on these homes? Please consider this home improvement and help a young family enjoy living in Naperville. (my home town)

Thank You,

Pamela G Carius