From:	Planning
Sent:	Wednesday, January 27, 2021 1:26 PM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	FW: Proposed plan for 248 ICN location
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From: Neil Humphreys [mailto: Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 1:06 PM To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us> Subject: Re: Proposed plan for 248 ICN location

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This is an update to the ICN proposal objection I placed for the previous meeting. These are based on the information given in the presentation.

I would like to step through the ICN representative Mr. Monson testimony. Calling out points that were made, inconsistencies and omissions from his speech.

#### The "did you know" document

The "did you know" slide has no basis for any validity by the ICN as an argument for their case. He has absolutely no way of knowing where this document came from or who produced it. It could have in fact been produced as a "muddy the waters" document by the ICN group themselves. Saying that a "vast" number of these objections are based on this document is absolute garbage because I personally have spoken to many people and none of them have ever seen the document. He also states that the homeowners Association based their objections on that flyer which is totally groundless.

#### **Other religious Centers**

The siting of several other churches in this presentation is good as many have a bearing on this case. My figures are approximate as I am not a town planner

- Saint Margaret and Mary church (He did not even do his homework as he states it is St Marks and Mary) Has three exits on two separate Roads with houses on one side only, Less than 300 (Approximately) parking spaces. Square footage of 29,000 square meters
- Compass church Has three exits on two separate Roads with houses on one side only. Parking spaces for 332 parking spaces. Land plot of approximately 51, 000 Square Meters
- Holy Spirit Church Three exists on three separate roads. 500 parking spaces. Land plot of approximately 41, 000 Square Meters

• Naperville Presbyterian Church – Even though it only has two entrances there are less than 300 Parking spaces. Land plot of approximately 19,3000 Square Meters

And to use St Peter and Paul's Spire and site as an example when it was built in 1846 is ludicrous.

The proposed ICN square footage is 55,000 Square meters with 719 spaces. As you can see the most compatible religious structure above has less than has half the amount of parking space that this location has planned and has three exits onto two separate roads.

The most recent religious structure being built is on Route 59 for Compass church has exits on Route 59 and 103<sup>rd</sup> but I could not find how many parking spaces it would be.

Q. Is the fact that the parking out this far out ways the parking at other sites be taken into consideration?

#### Parking Buffer Zone

I think it is quite laughable that he mentions the "buffer" zone between the houses to the west but fails to mention that the houses to the south have no buffer at all.

Q. What is being done for the residents on the South side of the property as far as a buffer zone is concerned?

#### **Planning Years**

It is mentioned that the plans are over the next 40 years. The plans cannot be changed but it does not state that the most "must" be built in the phases or can these phases be changed.

Q. What will we put in place to make sure the plans are over 40 years and cannot be changed to accelerate the process?

#### Prayer times.

All other churches of various denominations have Sunday or Saturday Services two or three times on those days. The proposal states that prayers are 5 times a day, every day with services on Friday which means that there could possibly be 700 plus cars going in and out of that location 5 times a day. He mentions 50 -100.

Q. What will we put in place to make sure that we are NOT seeing 700 cars 5 times a day going in and out of this site?

It was stated the prayers start before dawn. So, you could possibly have 700 cars at 4am in the morning on 248th Street

Q. What will we put in place to make sure that we are NOT seeing 700 cars at 4am in and out of this site?

*Q.* What were the traffic figures and patterns used by the 3<sup>rd</sup> party for the survey?

#### At the end

He mentions many times that this is in a residential neighborhood so therefore should it not be up to the resident of that neighborhood to agree with the proposal. The amount of people who are supportive of this are huge but I would like you to look at where these people actually live as I would state a vast majority of them are NOT within the surrounding area and will only visit the site. Therefore, they will not care about the amount of traffic pedestrians or construction that will go on before and after this project is complete.

*Q.* Could a survey take place of the supporters of this location and where they live as they are more than likely not from the surrounding neighborhoods ?

*Q.* What Is being done to make sure it is the will of the surrounding neighborhoods that this site be built and not the people who will not be impacted by it?

Also mentioned was the fact that **"this Was consistent with other recent approvals given to other religious facilities"**. From the other sites I have listed above this is NOT consistent with other sites in traffic flow or site parking for the size of land that this site is on. This proposal should be rejected and the ICN should use land that is more suitable for parking and the daily/weekly traffic flow that will transit this location many times in a 7-day period. There are many such pieces of land on the Route 59 corridor rather than on the minor 248 Avenue.

I welcome any answer and feedback to the questions above.

# On Mon, Jan 18, 2021 at 5:36 PM Neil Humphreys <

wrote:

I am a resident of the tall grass subdivision who lives on highknob circle close to 248. I wish to make it known that I extremely oppose the ICN project plan. I kindly ask that you respond to this and confirm that my comments/questions below will be taken into consideration and answered.

Thank you.

#### My statements/Questions

Just to begin with if you look at a majority of these size developments of any nature there are at least two entrances into and out of that location on different sides of the location. Due to the site in question you cannot have any more than a single or dual entrances on the same side (248). The two entrances that have been spoken about, a north and south, are still exiting onto the same road which does not help when it comes to congestion. The fact that 248 is a minor road in comparison to route 59. Therefore when the people at that location exit, the congestion in the area will be horrendous. Also knowing that people will take a great deal of time to exit the site they will definitely start to park in the surrounding subdivisions to make a "quick getaway" rather than parking in the intended parking lot causing issues for other residents.

It has been stated that not all people would turn up at the same time to that location. To be honest this statement is garbage and is only placed there to get around the amount of spaces that will be used. If you build a building with 600 parking spaces there is the possibility that you're going to have that many spaces used in that location at once. If you do not think you were going to have that many people in that location at any one point then why are you actually providing 600 parking spaces in the first place? Also, who from Naperville is going to monitor the traffic situation and whether people are arriving and exiting in a "phased" approach after the structure is built. I dare so no one will and hence the "I know how we can get more spaces we will tell them it phased" statement.

People are also citing places such as Calvary church on 87th St. as a similar location. This location may be equivalent in size to the location on 248 but it has two separate entrances on two separate roads. The main entrance and exit being onto Route 59 which is a 6 Lane Highway whereas exiting onto 248 is a 2 Lane Rd.

I would like to ask the planning team two questions.

1. Name me one business, religious or retail development in Naperville of this size and number parking spaces that only has one side bordering on a two lane road and three sides bordering on a housing subdivision? Even without completing full analysis I am sorry to say but I can bet the answer is zero !!

2. There are plenty of pieces of land on route 59 that other groups have used to build similar types of structures without any issue yet this is being built smack bang in the middle of a residential neighborhood. why ?

I will leave you with one thought. Please take into consideration the people in the surrounding neighborhoods that will have to live with the construction and day to day congestion that will happen if this is built and NOT the people who will visit this site and then leave a few hours later.

Thank you for your consideration Neil Humphreys

From:	Marcia MILLIGAN <
Sent:	Wednesday, January 27, 2021 12:47 PM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	ICN Mosque

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I feel this development is too large to be built so close to a residential area. 248th St is not equipped to handle this much traffic, even after they expand that road in 2023 or 2024. 95th St is busy now and traffic will increase there also.

I live in Carillon Club and see how busy 95th St can be at certain times of the day and cannot imagine how congested it could become.

Marcia Milligan

From:	Planning
Sent:	Wednesday, January 27, 2021 8:24 AM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	FW: PZC #20-1-052, Islamic Center of Naperville

-----Original Message-----From: Neil Goltermann [mailto: Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:00 PM To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us> Subject: PZC #20-1-052, Islamic Center of Naperville

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I write in support of the ICN application.

I have been a resident of Naperville since 1984, living in what I always considered to be the central part of town, but many consider the "north side" of town. That may be true, but I tease those friends of mine as living in "Downstate Naperville."

It seems the subject property has always been planned for a community type use. Religious facilities are amongst the best possible uses for larger tracts of land in residential districts.

The Tall Grass neighborhood has plenty of parks and open areas. I listened to Len Monson's presentation. I thought he did a good job of showing how the proposal is an appropriate use for the neighborhood and consistent with many other religious facilities in residential neighborhoods across Naperville.

I inferred from some of his comments that it appears there is a strong "whisper" campaign against the proposal, along with the usual NIMBY's. It always amazes me the lengths people will go to try and selfishly oppose a proposed development. Of course, if this project is rejected they will also object to the next institutional use, perhaps even if it is a catholic church.

On the north side of town, in the Historial District, the neighborhood didn't want the Little Friends property sold to North Central College. I thought that was a pretty decent use of the property. The protesters won out, but they they got multi-residential buildings that they also opposed.

It is my hope that the PZC votes to recommend the ICN application.

Thank you for your volunteer service to the community.

Thank you,

Neil Goltermann

From:	Virginia Bastedo <
Sent:	Tuesday, January 26, 2021 8:20 PM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	Opposed to ICN development

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Please pass this email to the Naperville Planning Commission and the Naperville City Council

My husband and I have been Naperville residents for 43 years. We have seen Naperville grow and prosper. We are now residents of Carillon Club. Unfortunately we can not agree with the proposed development of ICN for the largest Mosque in the Midwest on 248<sup>th</sup> Ave. This type of massive institution of worship belongs on a major road not in a residential area.

We are sending this to all of you because we feel the development of this ICN Mosque will negatively affect the **health and safety** of **all** of us, residents as well as their worshipers. Why the ICN wants to build the" largest Mosque in the Midwest" on a secondary residential road is a mystery. One would think they would build it on a major street. They also want to build a school and a gym in the future. This site was purchased many years ago before all of the residential development around here. We would be opposed to any religious institution building a large church, temple, synagogue or mosque on this particular site in a residential area. We would also think that it being the largest Mosque in the Midwest would definitely invite visitors.

The point is that the **traffic congestion** would be a nightmare!. 248<sup>th</sup> Ave is not slated to be widened until 2024!! What is the planning commission thinking?? But even with the expansion, a large religious institution would still congest traffic. Three lanes of traffic in either direction would be needed for 248<sup>th</sup> Ave and 95<sup>th</sup> street. Remember prayer services 5 times a day. In the second phase of ICN, they would like to build a school which will bring in even more traffic.

We have two senior communities that are frequently in need of **emergency services**. It will take so much longer for these services to arrive and provide the help that is needed. Seconds count!! Thus negatively affecting our health and safety. We would also call attention to the

traffic study they did last January 12-18, 2020 during the cold winter weather. Many people leave town for the winter months and many folks are not out in bad weather.

**Fire Hazard** is another serious concern. Our community was built with very little space between homes and we have multi-family dwellings – townhouses, sixpacks and codo. Fire trucks would need to get here fast to prevent a fire from spreading to other homes. Again seconds and minutes count. MI Homes also has a high density townhome community here as well. Again traffic congestion is a threat to our health and safety.

We strongly feel that if this project is allowed to continue it may wind up to be a **catastrophe** waiting to happen. Heaven forbid we ever have a train derailment with tanker cars that carry lethal gas and we have to evacuate. It will be hard enough just with the current residential communities around here to evacuate. The additional congestion with the Mosque and school evacuating would be catastrophic!

Please help to keep your residents healthy and safe and deny this large development.

James and Virginia Bastedo Residents of Carillon Clun Naperville, IL 60564

From:	Lauren <	
Sent:	Tuesday, January 26, 2021 7:17 PM	
То:	Kopinski, Sara	
Subject:	Fwd: Opposition to 248th Building	

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Hello,

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> As a south Naperville resident, I am writing you this evening to oppose the building of the Mosque on 248th street. While I appreciate and respect everyone's right to worship, I feel a large building in this location would cause too much additional traffic on 248th. Extra traffic would make the area less safe for children. Please consider opposing this building. Thank you.

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> Lauren

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> Sent from my iPhone

From:	Kajal Pal <
Sent:	Tuesday, January 26, 2021 6:29 PM
То:	Kopinski, Sara; Hanson, Bruce; Athanikar, Manas; Bansal, Krishna; Fessler, Brett; Habel, Bill; Losurdo, Anthony; Richelia, Carl; Van Someren, Oriana; Robbins, Whitney; NapervilleClerks; Planning; Ryan, Nicole
Subject:	PZC meeting concerns - Jan 20th - ICN
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Respected Commissioners,

I am a South Naperville Resident of the PennCross Knoll subdivision.

I was present at the ICN 248th Avenue Project hearing on Jan 20th and what I witnessed during the hearing has left a few doubts in my mind. Many of the residents connected after the meeting and were very concerned on the proceedings.

To make a fair judgment of whether this project is viable for this location ALL sides must be heard, ALL concerns must be heard. If I understood the proceedings correctly only the Petitioner's point of view was given. None of the speaker comments were read as was expected. That was surprising since other 2 hearings did not follow that format.

Here are some of the few things that I would like to draw your attention to.

 There were around 2000 legit signatures with addresses of adults over the age of 18 belonging to families who are directly impacted by this development have OPPOSED it by means of physically signed petitions (names and addresses were included). Not to mention hundreds of emails of residents raising their concerns. These were submitted to Sara Kopinski before the Jan20th meeting.
 To give you a perspective, 70% of PennCross residents have signed the petition to oppose the project. PennCross sub division is directly adjacent to the project location.

Absolutely NO mention of this was made when the numbers were counted for In Support and Opposed. How is that not a legitimate count of votes?

Why was this not mentioned? These are people who actually live here in the surrounding neighborhoods, whose lives WILL be affected.

2. I looked at the sign up form online and nowhere does it tell us to enter our addresses nor does it stop us from filling up names of children below the age of 18. How are votes of people who do not geographically reside in this neighborhood, city, state, or country count as legitimate? Len Monson clearly called out the ICN patrons from all over the world are voting in support of this project. Do International votes have more weightage than Local residents ?

3. Also, the ICN traffic study was done on Jan 14 2020. How can that be considered accurate to represent the traffic situation. A traffic study done in the middle of winter would not have foot traffic, bike traffic, pedestrian traffic and even normal vehicle traffic. As a resident who lives on Lapp Lane, Route 248 is highly congested on any regular day from spring to fall. The study would not have factored the traffic as a result of the new big park on Wolf Crossing that was opened to public in Fall 2020.

Respected Commissioners - Surely, a few of you must have read the documents submitted to the PZC by the residents opposing this project. Did that not raise any questions for the Petitioner?

In my humble opinion, this case is too big to be heard alongside other cases. I request that you push this out as a single hearing so all sides of the table are heard and all facts have been laid out. Facts and arguments of both sides should be carefully analyzed because you are make a decision for families who live here.

# My stand along with the many others who have signed this petition is just one - This is a Right Project for the Wrong Location.

I would request the Commissioners to give the group representing the 2000 families a chance to speak first and present the information and facts on February 3rd and I would request that the city noise and traffic experts be on the panel during the hearing so that they give factual data as it stands today.

I am hopeful that the committee members who are volunteering to make recommendations for the good of the residents on our side of the city. Please read and listen to the residents' concerns and base your decision on that.

Regards,

Concerned South Naperville resident

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

Laurie.Kus < Tuesday, January 26, 2021 3:55 PM Kopinski, Sara Urgent

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The purpose of this email is to clearly document our opposition of a proposed mosque to ve built on 248th after the large community park was built and already creating significant traffic and safety issues. The mosque would be better served to be built on Rte 59 where the former Sam's Club, Bed, Bath, Beyond Mall is, because the former retail space is massive AND Rte 34, Rte 59, and Aurora Avenue plus Fort Hill and other avenues would enable safe arricals and departures without paralyzing safety and traffic on 248th Street.

The point is that the traffic congestion would be a nightmare!. 248<sup>th</sup> Ave is not slated to be widened until 2024!! What is the planning commission thinking??? But even with the expansion, a large religious institution would still congest traffic. Remember prayer services 5 times a day. In the second phase of ICN, they would like to build a school which will bring in even more traffic.

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From:Wanti <</th>Sent:Tuesday, January 26, 2021 1:14 PMTo:Kopinski, SaraSubject:Mosque Plans

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Hello, my name is Wanti, and I live in Naperville. I am very much opposed to the planned Masque on 248th ave, due to increased traffic concerns. Please register my opposition to the plan. Thanks.

Wanti K.

From:	Planning
Sent:	Tuesday, January 26, 2021 1:02 PM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	FW: Mosque controversy

-----Original Message-----From: Shahla Wahid [mailto: Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 1:00 PM To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us> Subject: Mosque controversy

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We had an identical fight in Katy Texas a decade ago. People objected because they feared a new mosque would bring down home values; The street could not bear the traffic; The noise would be a nuisance.

Pig races were held to deter the congregants.

Fast forward today a beautiful mosque stands on the grounds, home values have skyrocketed, there are no noise issues and Mr. Baker who held pig races, sips tea at the mosque.

Shahla Wahid

Houston, TX

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Planning
Sent:	Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:43 AM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	FW: Mosque Building Planning

From: Anand Chaudhary [mailto: Sent: Saturday, January 23, 2021 4:25 PM To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us> Cc: Andy Chaudhary < Subject: Mosque Building Planning

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My name is Anand Chaudhary. I am a resident of Carillon Club subdivision and I'm opposed to ICN plans, as they have been submitted, due to concerns and issues outlined in the Power Point presentation by the south Naperville Residents group also in opposition to the current plans.

Thank You

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From:	Thomas <
Sent:	Wednesday, January 27, 2021 1:23 AM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	Re: NO, HELL NO TO MOSQUE!

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Thank you Sara. You may also want to include the following link:

https://www.memri.org/tv

On Tue, Jan 26, 2021 at 10:51 PM Thomas **Example 10:00** wrote: Thank you Sara. You may also want to include the following link:

https://thereligionofpeace.com/

On Tue, Jan 26, 2021 at 10:13 PM Thomas **Control** wrote: Thank you Sara. You may also want to include the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=orTAUMMWd-A

On Tue, Jan 26, 2021 at 12:05 PM Kopinski, Sara <<u>KopinskiS@naperville.il.us</u>> wrote:

Thank you for providing comments on the Islamic Center of Naperville. 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 February 3, 2021 public hearing.

The City has created a webpage to provide an overview of the public input process to date, as well as anticipated next steps. The webpage can be viewed here: https://www.naperville.il.us/government/board-and-commissions/planning-and-zoning-commission/islamic-center-of-naperville-pzc-case-20-1-052

For informational purposes, documents and plans pertaining to the Islamic Center are available here: <u>https://owncloud.naperville.il.us/index.php/s/Tj1W3yulNzbtxDX</u>. New documents will be uploaded to this site as they are available.

Sara Kopinski

Community Planner | Planning & Development - TED Business Group

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From: Thomas [mailto: Sent: Saturday, January 23, 2021 10:51 PM To: Planning <<u>Planning@naperville.il.us</u>> Subject: NO, HELL NO TO MOSQUE!

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Sent:	Tuesday, January 26, 2021 11:33 AM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	FW: Planned Mosque !!

From: Raj Kapil [mailto: Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 10:37 AM To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us> Subject: Planned Mosque !!

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Subject: Mosque Building Planning

My name is Raj K. I am a resident of Naperville. And I'm opposed to ICN plans, as they have been submitted, due to concerns and issues outlined in the Power Point presentation by the south Naperville Residents group also in opposition to the current plans.

Thank You

R.K.

From:	Jordan Thorse <	
Sent:	Tuesday, January 26, 2021 10:12 AM	
То:	Kopinski, Sara	
Subject:	Opposition to Islamic Center Building on 248th	ſ

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Ms. Kopinski,

I wanted to email in opposition to the building of the proposed Islamic Center on 248th. As a resident of South Naperville I feel that this building would not be in the bets interest of the community. I certainly understand, appreciate and truly believe that those of the Islamic faith should have a place to worship; however building an Islamic Center on 248th is not where it should be built. First, 248th is completely made up of residential housing and not other buildings. This building, as proposed at almost 80 feet tall, would not conform to the high visual standards that have been set by the communities that have been built on 248th. Second, this building would greatly decrease the safety of our children with the increase in traffic and cause congestion for those who live off of 248th. A retirement community sits at the end of 95th and 248th and those residents would also be in danger as they drive with increased traffic. All up and down 248th people use the paths and parks for recreational activities and this building would be occurring for many years to come and I feel that with all of the beautification that has happened on 248th the construction would have a very negative impact on the houses that are near it. Lastly, places of worship in Naperville have all been approved to be built on land that is not already surrounded by residential areas - this would go against what has been approved of in the past. I do know that places of worship are near residential areas in Naperville, but not on such a large scale and in such a grandiose visual fashion as this. I sincerely appreciate your consideration in not approving the building on 248th. Thank you.

Jordan

From:	Planning
Sent:	Monday, January 25, 2021 1:47 PM
То:	Nandita Potinii
Cc:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	RE: NRSD: PZC meeting regarding ICN

Thank you for your interest in PZC 20-1-052, Islamic Center of Naperville (ICN). The City has created a webpage to provide an overview of the public input process to date, as well as anticipated next steps. The webpage can be viewed here: <u>https://www.naperville.il.us/government/board-and-commissions/planning-and-zoning-commission/islamic-center-of-naperville-pzc-case-20-1-052</u>

Please visit the webpage for additional information and answers to your questions. The Public Hearing for PZC 20-1-052 will resume on February 3, 2021. The link to sign up to speak or share opposition/support at the February 3<sup>rd</sup> will open once the agenda packet has been published on Friday, Jan. 29, 2021. Please visit the webpage noted above for additional information.

From: Nandita Potinii [mailto: Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2021 2:45 PM To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us> Subject: Re: NRSD: PZC meeting regarding ICN

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Hi there,

My name is Nandita Potini, I'm a resident of Tall Grass subdivision, and I'm opposed to the ICN plans, as they have been submitted, due to the concerns and issues outlined in the PowerPoint presentation by the South Naperville Residents group also in opposition to the current plans. Would appreciate if you could please pay heed to our request and move this project to some other place which is not in the middle of a residential area. We are concerned about the traffic congestion, property value depreciation and security.

feel free to contact me if you need to speak with me,

Regards, Nandita Potini

From:	Planning
Sent:	Monday, January 25, 2021 1:46 PM
То:	Ross Johnson
Cc:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	RE: Islamic Center on 248th St.

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From: Ross Johnson [mailto: Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2021 11:51 AM To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us> Subject: Islamic Center on 248th St.

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Hello -

I'm writing to ask the city to reconsider the placement of the Islamic center near 248th and 95th streets. As a resident of the Tall Grass community, I am concerned about the additional traffic and disruption that such a large center would impose on the community, especially with such a limited 2-lane thoroughfare providing ingress/egress. It simply doesn't seem to be an appropriate location for this much potential activity.

Thanks,

Ross Johnson

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Sent:	Monday, January 25, 2021 1:46 PM
То:	Aruna
Cc:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	RE: Regarding the construction on 248th Avenue, Naperville

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From: Aruna [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2021 10:16 AM
To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us>
Subject: Re: Regarding the construction on 248th Avenue, Naperville

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Regards, Aruna Datla

From:	Planning
Sent:	Monday, January 25, 2021 1:45 PM
То:	mahmoud alkahla
Cc:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	RE: Islamic center of Naperville

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From: mahmoud alkahla [mailto: Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2021 3:53 AM To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us> Subject: Islamic center of Naperville

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My name is: MAHMOUD ALKAHLA and I'm fully supporting the Islamic center of Naperville agenda

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Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2021 11:55 PM
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From:Tom Perlstein <tom.perlstein@gmail.com>Sent:Monday, January 25, 2021 10:46 AMTo:Kopinski, SaraSubject:ICN Mosque Proposal-248th Street

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I am writing to express my opposition to this proposal. While I firmly believe in the freedom of religion and to practice one's beliefs, this proposal will clearly infringe on others due to its massive size and scale. The location in the midst of well established neighborhoods will cause tremendous inconvenience and increased traffic and congestion in an area that cannot possibly support it. In addition an 84 foot tall minaret in a residential area is totally out of place. Clearly this entire center would be far more appropriate and better placed in an area that is more suited to its size and structure-perhaps along Rt 59 which has the infrastructure to support it.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Tom

**Tom Perlstein** 

From:	Andy Chaudhary <
Sent:	Sunday, January 24, 2021 2:11 PM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Cc:	Neera Chaudhary
Subject:	Mosque building permit

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Dear Ms. Kopinski:

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and 103rd street. This is a residential neighborhood, calm and peaceful, traffic is acceptable, and everybody

feels good living in these neighborhoods. Children walk to school without worrying about undue traffic.

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place outside the already established neighborhoods and not disrupt our communities, with the concerns of

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I definitely oppose this project.

Neera

From:	Andy Chaudhary <
Sent:	Sunday, January 24, 2021 2:09 PM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Cc:	Anand Chaudhary
Subject:	Mosque Building

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Anand

From:Anila Nijhawan <</th>Sent:Saturday, January 23, 2021 3:36 PMTo:Kopinski, SaraSubject:ICN center

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My name is Anila Nijhawan, I reside in Carillon Club. I am very opposed to the development of Islamic Center in Naperville. We have a quiet and huge Mosque willsafe neighborhood.

We bike ride, go for walks, and traffic is not much. I see children playing, walking to school and riding their bikes around the neighborhood.

The construction of this huge mosque will definitely disrupt the traffic, safety and peace of the neighborhood. I am **against** the construction of this Islamic Center in Naperville. Anila Nijhawan

From:	Arti Jhawar <	>
Sent:	Saturday, January 23, 2021 12:59 l	PM
То:	Kopinski, Sara	
Subject:	ICN	

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My name is Arti Jhawar, a resident of Carillon Club and I am opposed to the proposed building of the vast ICN compound on 248th street. The City of Naperville should heed to the concerns of the people living here. Touting the buildings and complex as one of the biggest in the Midwest just proves that this particular site is not suitable for such a purpose. The Calvary Church sits on a large tract of land on a busy street and does not affect residential areas. That is the type of site this proposal needs.

With the building of this complex I see increased traffic, noise and safety concerns. People from all over will come to our quiet neighborhood and not all will have good intentions. We have children playing, riding bikes and seniors taking walks. All of this will be affected. A proposed parking lot for 900+ cars gives an idea of how large the gatherings could get and the amount of traffic that would increase. Please put me down as a very concerned citizen totally opposed to this construction.

Sent from my iPad

From:	Planning
Sent:	Friday, January 22, 2021 8:13 AM
То:	Kopinski, Sara
Subject:	FW: Planning commission meeting

FYI:

From: Sumithra Lokesh [mailto: Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2021 9:10 PM To: Planning <Planning@naperville.il.us> Subject: Planning commission meeting

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# Hi,

My name is Sumithra and I live in Honey locust dr, Naperville and I am writing this email regarding the ICN project that I am opposing. I sent my objection through a signed petition, why wasn't my name displayed in the opposition section. Why is the Planning and zoning commission/ Naperville city acting biased. The article that was published in the Chicago tribune says the opposition is just 300, city commission knows that it is not true. I know in my community 2/3 rd of the houses are opposing it and have signed the petition opposing the project, why wasn't any our names displayed in the opposition. Can the city give some insight into whoever was Supporting the projects live close by the property? I can say that whoever was opposing live close by the property and will be affected by it. I can also say the names in support of project has the names displayed redundantly whereas whoever was opposing, majority of the names was not even displayed. Why is the city acting biased, the chairman of the planning and zoning commision as already made up his mind in favor of the ICN project before even listening to the other side. Why was the city traffic engineer brought in which is not

the case for other projects. Is the city trying to do all these things to show that they are in favor. I would like the city to not be biased and consider the opposition request and to see and hear the points and publish the data as it is and give information to the media as it is. Thanks,

Sumithra

From:	Lokesh Krishnamoorthy <	>
Sent:	Thursday, January 21, 2021 8:31 PM	
То:	Kopinski, Sara; Planning	
Subject:	Re: Naperville ICN Development Concerns	
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Hi Sara/ PZC Leadership Team,

I had expressed my concerns in regards to the project almost a month ago and in addition, we had submitted 1700 plus signed opposition petitions for the ICN project along with email ids, name, address all from the City of Naperville. I also would like to raise the concern about the supporting members, have you cross-checked and validated their residential location, do they live in the surrounding Naperville City area ? Has a decision been already made to move forward with the project? Thats how it looked like yesterday from Mr. Hansons comments and statements regarding the project.

I want to ask you and City of Naperville PZC team why these petitions and my/fellow resident's oppositions were NOT taken into consideration was it done deliberately? or this was a miss on PZC part. Earlier today I sent another email related to missing out including a member of my family opposition (Yagnesh Lokesh).

Please let me know where the gap was in bringing forward our concerns, this is not expected of PZC team.

-Lokesh

On Tue, Nov 17, 2020 at 6:19 PM Lokesh Krishnamoorthy

Hello Sara,

We appreciate your leadership in representing Naperville residents. I'm a resident of Ashwood Pointe

community in Naperville been living in the community for the past 6+ years. I read about the ICN development and the project approval moving into new phases. I'm concerned about the scale of the development and the number of attendees will cause traffic nightmares as if we don't have enough issues as of today with the traffic issues. I live on the honey locust dr and it takes a significant amount of time to turn North on to 248th from Honey Locust, combining the ICN traffic makes it next to impossible to move around the beautiful neighborhood we live in. Given these developments I might think twice about living in the Naperville area if such developments were to be approved. I kindly request you to stop the project and allow the residents to peacefully enjoy the residential life we bought into when we moved here in 2014.

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I raise my objection to the ICN development at this site. I request your help to understand my concerns and find an alternative location for this development.

Thanks, Lokesh

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