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Subject: School Sisters of Notre Dame - Neighborhood Feedback
Attachments: Neighborhood Survey Results (vF).pdf

Dan,

Thank you for your letter received yesterday about the upcoming meeting on May 21. I have registered and look forward to hearing the Mandel Group's plan for the School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND) property.

In the months since the late February news, I have sought to gather resident feedback from the Caroline Heights and Meadows of the Grove neighborhoods adjacent to the SSND property. The goal was and remains to provide the Mandel Group and the relevant Village officials with the resident feedback they need to properly consider their respective design and re-zoning decisions and ensure as many voices as possible can be heard. Although conducted online due to COVID-19 concerns, readers of the survey can and should have full confidence in the results because:

1. I collected the email contact information directly, in person, from nearly each residence prior to Governor Evers' Safer at Home order in late March.
2. 48 people participated representing 43 households and comfortably over 50% of the residences in the neighborhood. This is a much higher sample size (proportionally) than any other survey completed in Elm Grove except for election days where Elm Grove generates remarkably and consistently higher voter turnout.
3. The questions in the survey were written carefully knowing they would undergo strict scrutiny afterwards. This was to ensure they were fair and elicited the full range of residents' opinions.
4. The results can be fully audited as each respondent's specific feedback was captured and stored separately. 47 of 48 participants agreed in the survey to share their individual results with Village officials.
5. I contacted respondents whose opinions were in the minority and allowed them to review the survey results in advance to ensure they believed their opinions were fairly represented.

The survey (see the attached) was completed in April and I only recently completed the tabulation of it. From my survey work, residents are generally apprehensive about the plans for the SSND property, its implications for the existing neighborhood, and hope that Mandel Group truly listens and takes their feedback into account. This is viewed as a very important issue because it has significant implications for them in a very personal way. This is a highly stable neighborhood with very little turnover; residents live and raise their young children here (nearly 24/7 these days) and stay for a long period of time.

If you are interested in discussing it in advance of the meeting on May 21, please let me know. I can be reached on my mobile at (832) 483-5651 and look forward to learning about what Mandel Group has designed.

Kind regards,

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