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To: Dana McCarthy <dmccarthy@longgroveil.gov>

Subject: Public Comment for the Village Board meeting scheduled for August 22, 2023

Good Afternoon,

I know several of my neighbors have provided emails stating their opposition to the proposed location of a replacement fire station and the special use permit associated with that location. I wish to also voice my opposition to the proposed location on Aptakisic. As one of the two homes that would be closest to this location I have concerns about noise and loss of property value as well as response times to western residents of the Village.

With the widening of Aptakisic Road, the amount of traffic will increase and the likelihood of the sirens being needed as the trucks pull out will almost assuredly be higher than the applicant stated. These sirens would be directly in line with my home. I fear that the peace and tranquility that drew us to Long Grove in the first place would be compromised.

In addition, there will be a loss in property value as many people looking for homes of our quality and location don't want to have this much noise so close by. They too would be looking for that Long Grove quality of life and would view our homes as less attractive.

And as others have stated, putting the fire station so far east in the Village will reduce the coverage and response times of getting on scene for all Long Grove residents in the Southwest, West and Northwest sections of the Village. This doesn't make sense to me.

I thank you for your time and appreciate all the work that the Board does for its residents.

Sincerely,
Matthew Akins