

Sugar Grove Public Hearing, January 16, 2019

My name is Mavis Bates. I live at 60 S. Harrison Avenue, Aurora. I am the chairman of Sierra Club, Valley of the Fox Group, which includes Kane and Kendall Counties.

We want to encourage a partnership that will see to it that development is done in a way that will benefit both the developer and the community. We want a PUD, planned unit development strategy that will enhance the most valuable natural areas and preserve the eco-system services that those natural areas are providing, such as water purification and recharge, water retention to reduced flooding, and the aesthetic beauty of nature.

We believe this project should be revised to comply with the villages requirement for 40% open space. The creek through the property, Seavey Road Run, must be given sufficient open space. Open space should also be used to provide a naturalized stormwater management treatment train to clean up runoff from the site before it is discharged to Blackberry Creek.

The plan needs to allow for sufficient open space to prevent flooding problems that could be caused by the increased runoff from the site due to the increase in impervious surfaces on the site. Therefore, site imperviousness should be minimized by including requirements for permeable pavers.

Forested areas on the site, especially at the southeast corner of the intersection of Rt. 47 and Interstate 88, should especially be preserved for wildlife habitat and their ability to soak up precipitation and prevent flooding.

Hydric soils, those developed under wetlands, should also be part of open space, to avoid flooding. This is 23% of this site.

The high functional value wetland on the site should also be part of the open space. The moderately high functional areas that have a high potential for aquifer contamination are also part of the site and should be avoided.

Landscaping should use plants and trees native to Kane County.

All commercial buildings should have rooftop solar as well as the residential dwellings.

We respect the developer's right to develop this land, and we hope that with a PUD, planned unit development, the developer, the community, and the ecology will all win. Please respect the Triple Bottom Line of sustainable development—people, planet, and profits. People means the community. Planet means natural resources. And profits mean, well, profits.

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Exhibit B

## Renee Hanlon

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Renee; Attached is an email and attachment regarding last night's meeting, I assume we can mark her notes as an exhibit. OK? Last night's meeting was a far cry from our last meeting, eh?

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Hi, Irv,

I definitely had a good time last night being able to present Sierra Club's point of view about the Sugar Grove development. I saw that some people handed in their talks for the record, so I thought I would send you mine. I hope you can add it to the record.

You did a great job and you have an even bigger job on your hands. A bunch of agree landowners is a powerful force to reckon with.

I have attached my talk from last night.

Thanks,  
Mavis

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