

My name is Bill Lenert and I live at 765 Wheatfield Ave. which is located in Hannaford Farm in Sugar Grove. I am a Kane County Board member representing approximately 22,000 residents of Sugar Grove and the surrounding area.

My wife Mary and I chose to build our home a little over 18 months ago in this particular location because of the beautiful and natural environment which surrounds our home.

Had we known that a massive 760 acre warehouse and distribution center with buildings looming over 60 feet high was going to be built within blocks of our home, we certainly would never have chosen to build our home here.

We strongly oppose the rezoning request for many reasons.

- It will negatively affect our property values.
- It will wreak havoc on our natural environment with its thousands of semi tractor trailers entering and leaving this massive facility everyday, 24 hrs a day, 365 days a year.
 - This will increase noise, create air pollution, and light up our nighttime skies with commercial lighting that will never cease.

SO, Crown Development wants the following:

- To build a massive 760 acre warehouse center
- To change zoning to PDD (Crown will

determine specific use of all property)

- A TIF - Tax Increment Financing - This allocates 100% of all additional property tax revenue to be used toward

Crown's development costs for up to 23 years.

- The right to develop land in anyway they want and to sell or lease land to warehouse distribution tenants for profit
- No binding guarantee to develop any single family resident areas

And what will Sugar Grove get?

- Lower property values
- Loss of its beautiful natural setting which is presently zoned E-1.
- Substantial noise and light pollution
- No guarantee of any residential development

- 1000's of tractor trailers everyday, all day and night which endangers all who live near and travel along Rt. 47
- An unsightly water tower at Merrill Road and Rt. 47
- No additional property tax revenue for up to 23 years for schools, police, and all other municipal needs.
- 60 foot tall warehouses which will dwarf all other structures in Sugar Grove.

~~I am requesting under FOIA any and all recorded documents pertaining to the rezoning of property owned by Crown Development in Sugar Grove.~~

Question: Why weren't we as residents of Sugar Grove notified of this rezoning petition before December 2018 when the rezoning signs were posted

Finally, as a county elected official, my first priority has and always will be the needs and welfare of the taxpayers in the communities I am honored to represent. I would hope that on the municipal level, our Sugar Grove officials would be concerned about your welfare as well, and not the welfare of Crown Development asking for tax-free profits on the backs of Sugar Grove residents and businesses. We certainly aren't a farm community resisting change. We are a diverse community of talented people united in our love of this beautiful village...and we're here to fight for it.

Wm E Lenert Jr 1/23/19

William E. LENERT Jr

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Acknowledgment (in an individual capacity):

State of Illinois
County of KANE

This instrument was acknowledged before me on 01-23-19
(date) by Paul J. Freske (name of person).

(seal)

Paul J. Freske
signature of notary public

