



MEMO TO : Village President Keith Giagnorio and
Lombard Village Board

FROM : Scott R. Niehaus
Village Manager

SNW

DATE : November 4, 2014

SUBJECT : **ADDITIONAL CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARY**

Included in with agenda item 140412 (PC 14-32: 510 E. 22nd Street (MMRE) – Conditional Use for Medical Cannabis Dispensary) were copies of letters and e-mails that had been forwarded to the Village Board for the time period of October 20th through October 29th. In keeping the entire Board apprised on this matter, I have attached additional correspondence that has been forwarded since the Board packets were delivered to you.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me.

SN:cb

Attachments

Sn medical marijuana additional e-mails letters 10042014

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

As a grandparent of a two students attending Montini Catholic High School, I would like to express my opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard II, 60148.

This location is less than one mile from Montini Catholic High School and a walking and driving route that students utilize daily.

I respectfully request that the Village of Lombard Trustees vote NO to MMRE, LLC's request that the Village grant approval to Section 155.412 © of the Village of Lombard Zoning Ordinance.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Mrs. Lu Quillo", written over a horizontal line.

P.S. I can't believe you're even considering this! DuPage County is already known for their heavy drug use and this can easily exacerbate the problem. You're dealing with KIDS, most of whom haven't yet learned to make the right choices!

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

As a parent of a student attending Montini Catholic High School, I would like to express my opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard Il, 60148.

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Respectfully,

Mark & Barb Baessler

Bauer, Carol

From: Beverly Barger <bevbarger@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, November 02, 2014 1:50 PM
To: Giagnorio, Keith
Subject: Medical Cannabis Distribution Center - Strongly Against

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

We currently have a Sophomore daughter attending Montini Catholic High School. We are strongly against a Medical Cannabis Distribution Center at 510 E. 22nd Street. It is entirely too close to our school. This is a well traveled street and intersection by Montini students who are leaving campus and/or walking or driving to Yorktown Mall after school while waiting for late practices, club meetings, activities, etc.

We appreciate your help on this matter.

Sincerely,

Beverly and Randy Barger

8014 Chesterton Drive
Woodridge, IL 60517
October 29, 2014

Mr. Keith Giagnorio
Village President
Village of Lombard
255 E. Wilson Avenue
Lombard, IL 60148-3969

Dear Mr. Giagnorio:

As parents of a student who currently attends Montini Catholic High School, we would like to express our strong opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard, Illinois.

This location is less than one mile from Montini Catholic High School. It is along a walking and driving route that students and parents utilize daily.

We respectfully request that the Village of Lombard Trustees vote NO to MMRE, LLC's request that the Village grant approval to Section 155.412 © of the Village of Lombard Zoning Ordinance.

Respectfully,



Barbara and William Dawes

Bauer, Carol

From: Shawn@Chicagoland <shawn@chicagolandham.com>
Sent: Monday, November 03, 2014 9:57 AM
To: Giagnorio, Keith
Subject: (PC 14-32)

Dear Trustees and Village President,

I call on the Lombard Village President and Trustees to say NO to the recommendation from the Lombard Plan Commission that a medical cannabis dispensing center be allowed to open at 510 E. 22nd Street in Lombard Illinois (PC 14-32).

The proposed medical cannabis dispensing center (although zoned an "office" zoning district") is less than 150 feet from residential homes, condos and townhomes and also near bus stops, foot traffic to Target, Yorktown Mall, and Montini Catholic High School. The medical cannabis dispensing center carries the product, cannabis, which by law can only be purchased by cash. I feel this will create an unsafe environment. The petitioner of the medical cannabis dispensing center ensures safety; I disagree. Patrons going to or from this proposed dispensary will be targets for theft by people on the street. It will be obvious that a person going into the facility will be carrying large amounts of cash. It will be obvious that a person leaving the facility will be carrying a drug that is sought after by many. They cannot get it legally and these patrons become easy walking targets. If the person on the street sees that there are homes just next door and not far away they may make us their next targets. This has been a safe neighborhood for a long, long time. Why place this challenge before the homeowners now or ever.

I also feel that this corner cannot withstand any more vehicular traffic. There is a light west of 22nd and Fairfield at Grace St. and a light just to the east of 22nd and Fairfield for the Westin and Target. It is close to impossible, at times, to turn west onto 22nd from Fairfield. It is also, at times, impossible to turn east onto 22nd from Fairfield. This is a huge problem for the residents now and will become a bigger problem for us and the cannabis patrons if the location is allowed.

I strongly feel the location at 22nd and Fairfield is inappropriate for the center. **The village should not allow the medical cannabis dispensing center** to conduct its business at this location.

Respectfully submitted by:

Shawn Denning

514 Rosebud Dr. S.

Lombard IL

Bauer, Carol

From: Lauren Fitzgerald <mrsfitz@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 11:27 AM
To: Giagnorio, Keith
Subject: Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

As a member of the Board of Montini Catholic High School and a parent of an alumni, I would like to express my opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard Il, 60148.

This location is less than one mile from Montini Catholic High School and a walking and driving route that students utilize daily.

I respectfully request that the Village of Lombard Trustees vote NO to MMRE, LLC's request that the Village grant approval to Section 155.412 © of the Village of Lombard Zoning Ordinance.

Respectfully,

Lauren Fitzgerald

Bauer, Carol

From: Linda Giordano <lgiordano9@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 12:11 PM
To: Giagnorio, Keith; Whittington, Dan; Fugiel, Mike; Foltyniewicz, Reid; Breen, Peter; Fitzpatrick, Laura; Ware, William; Niehaus, Scott
Subject: Medical Cannabis

To Whom it may concern:

It has come to my attention that the village is planning commission has approved a Medical Cannabis facility at 510 E 22nd which, is not far from my home and our kids school. I understand it meets the guidelines for the distance for the school and I am sure anywhere in Lombard, it would be close to someone's home or another school. I think it's time for our community officials to be more responsible to our town. A Medical Cannabis will just become another drug dealers way to get to our children. Did anyone take a census of how many Lombardians actually need medical marijuana compared it to how many don't need it. Does anyone know how much of this medical marijuana can get into the wrong hands and sold on the street and to our kids. I am sure the reason for bringing it to our town is MONEY, but for whom?? It is ridiculous how MONEY has taken over how we make the right decisions. Is no one morally good anymore? First it's gambling units everywhere you turn, now this Marijuana facility, next it will be prostitutes. When will someone stand up and say NO! What happen to JUST SAY NO???

There are still families that care about the village and I happen to be one of them. Lombard is a great place to live, don't be blind to the Legal Drug Dealer. If you look a open your eyes and look a little deeper you may be saving a child from addition.

Linda Giordano

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,


10-29-14

As a parent of a student attending Montini Catholic High School, I would like to express my opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard Il, 60148.

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Respectfully,

Marisa P. Grace


Bauer, Carol

From: SHARON HARTE <klubs@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 12:12 PM
To: Giagnorio, Keith
Subject: Medical center location

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

As a parent of a student attending Montini Catholic High School, I would like to express my opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard Il, 60148.

This location is less than one mile from Montini Catholic High School and a walking and driving route that students utilize daily. With all the influences that high school students have in their life there is no reason to put something so close to this population.

I respectfully request that the Village of Lombard Trustees vote NO to MMRE, LLC's request that the Village grant approval to Section 155.412 © of the Village of Lombard Zoning Ordinance.

Respectfully,

Sharon Harte

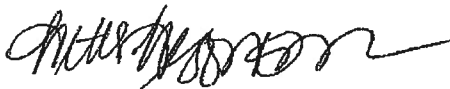
Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

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Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Heather Heggemann", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Heather Heggemann
213 E Ash Street
Lombard, IL 60148


Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

As a parent of a student attending Montini Catholic High School, I would like to express my opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard IL, 60148.

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Respectfully,



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "E. J. ...", is written over a horizontal line.

Bauer, Carol

From: LAVISR1@nationwide.com
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 1:04 PM
To: Giagnorio, Keith
Subject: Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center opposed

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

As a parent of a student attending Montini Catholic High School, I would like to express my opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard IL, 60148.

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Respectfully,

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Bauer, Carol

From: Michael Manna <mmanna@wi.rr.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 04, 2014 10:54 AM
To: Giagnorio, Keith
Cc: Whittington, Dan; Fugiel, Mike; Foltyniewicz, Reid; Breen, Peter; Fitzpatrick, Laura; Ware, William; Niehaus, Scott
Subject: New Medical Cannabis Facility

Mr. Keith Giagnorio

President

Village of Lombard

255 E. Wilson Avenue

Lombard, Illinois 60148-3969

Dear Village President Giagnorio,

As a member of the Board of Directors, former alumni (class of '70) , and member of the large Manna family continent in Lombard, I have to join Jim Segredo in letting you know my feelings about the placement of this facility so near Montini.

This Medical Cannabis Facility is **only SIX city blocks north of Montini Catholic High School**. It is also located on the northern border of a residential town home and condominium communities where many young children and teenagers reside. Congress Knolls and Gramercy Park, residential communities of York Township, are also located in this immediate area. Residents from these communities have also expressed concern and opposition to the location of this facility.

Furthermore this location is located on Fairfield Avenue, just off the corner of 22nd and Fairfield. Fairfield Avenue and the intersection of Fairfield and 22nd street are well traveled by Montini Catholic students. Our students utilize this street and intersection to leave our campus or visit Yorktown Mall. Many of our students, especially freshmen and sophomore students walk to Yorktown Mall after school to get something to eat at the food court if they have late afternoon practices, club meetings or activities. The reality is that many of our students would be walking or driving directly past this facility every day.

Village President Giagnorio, in our opinion to allow a Medical Cannabis Distribution Center to be located this close to a high school campus and to be located on a well traveled (car and pedestrian) street and intersection that our students use on a regular basis, does not make any sense and presents a **very real risk** of cannabis distribution near the Montini Catholic Campus and to its students as well as to the children and teenagers who reside in the bordering residential communities.

Village President Giagnorio, I join in the call and ask respectfully, that you and the Village of Lombard Trustees **vote NO** at the Village of Lombard Board of Trustees Meeting on November 6, 2014 concerning the application to allow this Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street in Lombard. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Mike Manna

The Manna Consulting Group, LLC

mmanna@wi.rr.com

262-496-9356

Bauer, Carol

Subject: FW: MMJ dispensary near montini

Carol Bauer
Executive Coordinator
Village of Lombard
255 E. Wilson Ave.
Lombard, IL 60148
(630) 620-5712 (Office)
(630) 620-8222 (FAX)



2014 Blood Drive Dates
January 15, April 9,
July 9, September 10 and
November 10
Donate Blood - It Saves Lives

From: Fugiel, Mike
Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2014 11:41 AM
To: Bauer, Carol
Subject: FW: MMJ dispensary near montini

Carol,

I received this one the other day from a Montini student who I have known since his early childhood.

Mike

From: Brandon Pacente [dawiedobrandon@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 27, 2014 5:27 PM
To: Fugiel, Mike
Subject: MMJ dispensary near montini

It is for the sick I know many people in the community that will benefit from it. The children of montini will not be allowed to buy it, it should be no concern of the school. It should be allowed to open.

Bauer, Carol

From: Keri Plecki <kbrooklynn@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 30, 2014 12:33 PM
To: Giagnorio, Keith
Subject: Opposition of Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

As a parent of a student attending Montini Catholic High School, I would like to express my opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard Il, 60148.

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Respectfully,
Keri Plecki

Bauer, Carol

From: Richard Rafanelli <rickrafanelli@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 04, 2014 8:25 AM
To: Giagnorio, Keith
Subject: Cannabis facility permit

As a parent of a Montini student I am opposed to the Village allowing a Cannabis facility to be located so close to the school on 22nd and Fairfield. Although the letter of the law may be followed in this case as far as distance from a school a common sense approach to keeping this type of facility as far away from schools would be the appropriate path to follow. Villages have tremendous say in zoning as we all know.

Introducing young kids to this product is part of the marketing of it for future sales. Give them a break and help them lead more healthy and productive lives please.

Finally, its not your job to raise our children - its ours. I am simply asking for your help in locating this venue in a more adult populated entertainment area. I do understand the people of the state have allowed this type of establishment for adults and I respect the law.

Rick Rafanelli

Bauer, Carol

From: Rosemary <islands2222@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, November 03, 2014 4:16 PM
To: Giagnorio, Keith
Subject: Medical Cannabis Distribution Center

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

As a resident of Congress Knolls, I would like to express my opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard IL, 60148.

This location is less than one mile from my home as well as Montini Catholic High School. I watch my grandchildren and we take walks in this area all the time. I am deeply concerned with the type of people that a business like this will attract. I have always felt safe in Congress Knolls and want to keep it that way.

I respectfully request that the Village of Lombard Trustees vote NO to MMRE, LLC's request that the Village grant approval to Section 155.412 © of the Village of Lombard Zoning Ordinance.

Respectfully,

Rosemary Riccio
19W168 18th Place
Lombard, IL 60148

10/29/14

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

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Respectfully,

Wally Soss

Tuesday, October 28, 2014

Keith Giagnorio, President
Village of Lombard
255 E. Wilson Avenue
Lombard, IL 60148-3969

Dear President Giagnorio:

As a parent of a sophomore student attending Montini Catholic High School, I would like to express my disappointment and opposition to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 East 22nd Street, Lombard, IL, 60148.

This location is less than one mile from Montini Catholic High School and both a walking and driving route that our students frequent daily.

I respectfully request that the Village of Lombard Trustees vote **NO** to MMRE, LLC's request that the Village grant approval to Section 155.412 of the Village of Lombard Zoning Ordinance.

Respectfully,



Jack Springmire

Bauer, Carol

From: Maribeth Ratajczyk <email@MaribethRatajczyk.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 29, 2014 2:42 PM
Subject: Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center

Dear Mr. Giagnorio,

As a parent of a student attending Montini Catholic High School, I would like to express my **opposition** to the Planning Commission's approval of a Medical Cannabis Dispensing Center to be located at 510 E. 22nd Street, Lombard Il, 60148.

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Respectfully,

Maribeth Ratajczyk
815-721-5061 cell
815-327-3071 home