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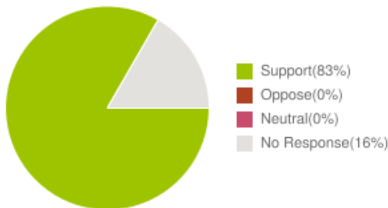
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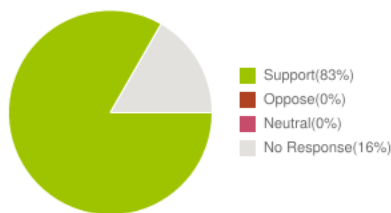
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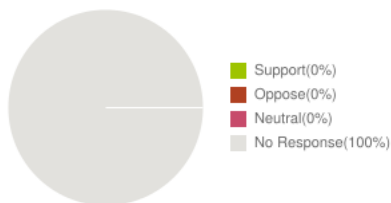
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Elaine Unger

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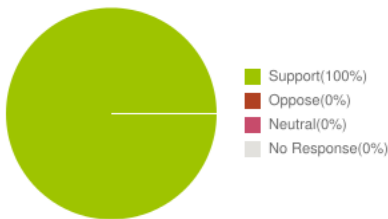
Submitted At: 5:46pm 01-24-22

Dear Chairman Wasserman and Parks Committee Members: I am a resident of Greendale and am writing in SUPPORT of Resolution 21-558. I believe the County Board of Supervisors should be required to review and approve all agreements/contracts/partnerships with Milwaukee County support, non-profit or "friends" organizations. Thank you for your service.

Elaine Unger, 4815 Sutton Lane, Greendale, WI 53129

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Dana Gindt

Location:

Submitted At: 9:15pm 01-24-22

sorry if this was submitted twice. The County system seems to be having error 504 / time out issues. Please support funding the Sound Study now for the study to commence this Spring. Citizens have been promised this study and mitigation since 2016. What authority did the County have to ignore municipal noise standards for this development and establish standards in direct conflict with local ordinances? I have dozens of examples of misrepresentations by County staff, elected officials and the developer regarding the noise "mitigation" at this development. Here is a sample:

9/28/17 Maggie Daun testimony "the spirit of the agreement in here, I would argue, would permit the County to actually sue the operator to try to, this is the whole mitigation plan is built around the idea that there will be a business operating there but we need to be reasonable with objective standards, in terms of the disturbance of any cause to citizens. So I believe under the spirit of the document and its intention, certainly the County may entertain a contract based lawsuits."

Maggie Daun "Is the number that you refer to it Chairman, Supervisors is the number that you're referring to is what is the acceptable decibel level? That is the number that we have adopted in the agreement. The document could be amended, of course, by mutual agreement of the parties later. However, I would say the decibel level and my understanding and talking with Director Tarantino and the developer here was that that decibel level is a generally considered to be an appropriate sort of beyond which it's unreasonable, and under which it's considered reasonable."

This testimony and others created this horrific situation regarding noise pollution from this development. County 2021 audit of the Rock indicates the City of Franklin "review of the noise is NOT focused on how loud it is, but per the Addendum (COUNTY), WHETHER it lasts for 30 minutes." DOES that seem like a "reasonable and objective standard" as testified by County Corporation Counsel?

Director Hertzberg emailed a response to me regarding the noise standards on 3/12/21 it indicated:

"It would be wrong for anyone to cite the County agreements as suggesting a specific sound level is allowable. When it comes to the sold land, the local ordinance levels apply"

And yet that is NOT what is going on at this facility for the past 6 years for hundreds of events. That is not what

Maggie Daun testified regarding being adopted in the County agreement. That is NOT the local ordinance standards. It is NOT the Franklin ordinance that James Tarantino testified would be part of the mitigation plan.

12-1-2020 City of Franklin Staff Report for noise at this facility. "It should also be noted that the sound limit of 79 dBA is significantly higher than that permitted in "all residential districts," which is 50 dBA during the daytime and 45 dBA at night (10:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.), as the UDO Section 15-3.1107 standards are understood to apply to the receiving district as well as the originating district."

Actually, 79 decibels is significantly higher than ALL OTHER zoning districts in the City of Franklin. ALL of them, Airport overlay (65 db), Manufacturing 65dB. ALL of them. This sound study needs to be completed this year and the noise mitigated. The County enabled this facility at this location and created this situation with the noise pollution standards.

The County needs to fix the problem please.

Andy Kleist

Location:

Submitted At: 8:58pm 01-24-22

As a Greendale resident who lives directly north of The Rock Sports Complex, I support FULLY funding a comprehensive sound study for The Rock as was required and contractually agreed to since 2016. My family and thousands of neighbors in Greendale and Franklin are impacted by the noise pollution for MILES around this facility in every direction depending on the wind direction. I personally live about 2 miles away and can clearly hear concerts, baseball games, special events, and fireworks on a regular basis.

Corporation Counsel testified at numerous meetings that more could be done to help citizens if noise continued to be an issue. Corporation Counsel also testified that the County would have further recourse if noise complaints continued. Noise complaints as well as noise in general continues to be an issue and has never stopped being an issue. The County has always been fully aware of this.

There needs to be a thorough scientific analysis of the noise pollution from The Rock, which easily hosts 150 events each year and broadcasts noise for multiple hours a day. The \$300,000 quote is NOT "excessive" for a 140-acre entertainment facility placed in the middle of Milwaukee County suburbs. A legitimate comprehensive sound study is a substantial, long-term project that benefits everyone. It is not a one-and-done event that takes short cuts or is trimmed back. That will benefit no one. The comprehensive sound study cost, which was a part of Franklin's approval of the PDD and in James Tarantino's 9-20-2017 PowerPoint, stated that ALL the terms of the Franklin PDD37 must be followed, including the condition to complete a comprehensive sound study. Even the developer understood this. Resolution 17-598 for the sale of the land in 2017 states, "Whereas Milwaukee County and the Operator RECOGNIZE the concerns of the neighboring property owners that additional recreational use of the site will require additional infrastructure to MITIGATE noise and light impacts on adjacent neighborhoods". Yet, years later, no sound study has been completed and the noise pollution has still not been mitigated.

Surrounding neighbors like myself were told by County officials and staff that Exhibit C, the Light and Noise Addendum would be a "benefit to the neighbors". Does establishing a 79-decibel level protect me, my family, and neighbors? Does allowing the 79-decibel level to be exceeded for up to 30 minutes at events, and three times a year before it is considered a violation protect me, my family, and neighbors? There is not a single sound ordinance found anywhere else in Milwaukee County that states anything about noise or sound issues being sustained for 30 minutes or any amount of time before it is considered a violation. Do three solar-powered sound monitors, none of which were placed using scientific data, seem like adequate monitoring for a 140-acre entertainment development? Why are only a select few sound ordinances from the City of Franklin in Exhibit C and not ALL of them? Are these items representative of the spirit and intent of Exhibit C? If so, then please provide further explanation to me and residents in Greendale and Franklin.

Again, I ask that the County FULLY funds a comprehensive sound study and does NOT trim back on the proposal. Residents in Greendale and Franklin deserve better than that after years of waiting. The County helped create this public nuisance and needs to be a part of the solution. A thorough audit of Exhibit C should also be a part of the solution. The County's decisions have negatively impacted our quality of life, and the County needs to step up with a thorough, fully funded comprehensive sound study.

Joy Draginis-Zingales

Location:

Submitted At: 8:05pm 01-24-22

Please read my E-comment during the meeting/into the record.

The Comprehensive Sound Study of the Rock must be performed as originally required for the sale of this land. Numerous times over many years, during many County meetings Supervisors, constituents and the Village of Greendale were reassured by Corp. Council Maggie Dawn, James Tarentino; and at times then County Supervisor Steve Taylor, there would be a Comprehensive Sound Study done by the developer as well as Light mitigation. In fact the County's lease contract with the ROC states: "NOISE: The operator shall NOT use or permit the use of the Sports Park in ANY MANNER THAT CREATES OR MAINTAINS ANY NOISE or Sound in violation of the County's or ANY NOISE ORDINANCE of the City of Franklin OR the Village of Greendale." Yet in the sale agreement, after years of noise complaints and district Supervisor Anthony Staskunis stating he "Would NOT support the sale of this land with out a comprehensive Sound study and light mitigation", the protective language was "forgotten". With that said, regardless of the "forgotten" language, these guarantees with the assurance of recourse were made numerous times in recorded meetings. Also, it is NOT the jurisdiction of the County to set noise/sound ordinances or guidelines for ANY city, yet the City and Mayor of Franklin, Steve Taylor (in County and Franklin meetings during his time as a Supervisor and Alderman) and the developer continually reference the "standards" set forth by the County of 79 decibels, yet lasting for 30 MINUTES BEFORE it is considered a violation! I have asked before and I am asking again, where is this approval of 79 decibels written and when did the County Board vote to approve it? I have sent the report from Shen, Mllsom & Wilke given to Mayor Olsen in the City of Franklin stating all of the issues this acoustic engineering company found in a simple walk through per say of the ROC/BPC development.

The County created this situation and MUST fix it in good faith by approving the Comprehensive sound study and ALL of the funding for it. It is NOT the duty of the constituents, neighbors or communities to file legal actions to right a wrong that was made on a County level that was brought to the attention of the Supervisors, Corp. Council, Parks Dept., Economic Committee, the city of Franklin, the Village of Greendale and anyone else that would listen. Those of us affected by the ongoing noise coming from this development deserve the same considerations and protections offered to all other residence within the County limits.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter, Joy Draginis-Zingales
7573 Highview Dr. Greendale WI

Elaine Unger

Location:

Submitted At: 6:03pm 01-24-22

I am writing in support of Resolution 21-940. The Parks Committee and County should support a Comprehensive Sound Study at the Rock Sports Complex in Franklin, Wisconsin and ensure that funds are secured and allocated so the long-overdue Sound Study can be completed. The facility hosts baseball games (broadcasters), concerts, fireworks, tournaments, movies, Halloween events, etc. and the noise level can be excessive to the Franklin and Greendale residents who live near the facility, many of whom have found the noise to be a nuisance. Thank you for your consideration.

Kathleen Vincent

Location:

Submitted At: 11:17am 01-24-22

Please read the following into the record: Good Morning, my name is Kathleen Vincent and I am currently running unopposed for District #11 of Milwaukee County. I have had the privilege of speaking with a few of you members of the Milwaukee County Board over the past couple of weeks. I am writing today after speaking with and hearing from my future constituents as well as the Greendale Village Manager, Todd Michels regarding that there be a Request for Proposal to do a comprehensive sound study at the Rock Sports Complex in Franklin. I am writing in support of this sound study being done in order to best serve the residents of District #11 and District #9 that are immediately affected by the noise coming from this venue. I feel it the right thing to do to identify potential areas for improvement in order to be respectful of the surrounding residents of the Rock Complex. As the incoming Supervisor for District #11 I would like to be able to work with my constituents and the administration of the Rock Sports Complex to come up with a plan that best meets the needs of all parties. Please know that I plan to work collaboratively with the county Board to address this matter. Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter. ~Kathleen Vincent