

Dear West-Win Homeowners' Association Member,



WEST-WIN OPPOSES MEGA-CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

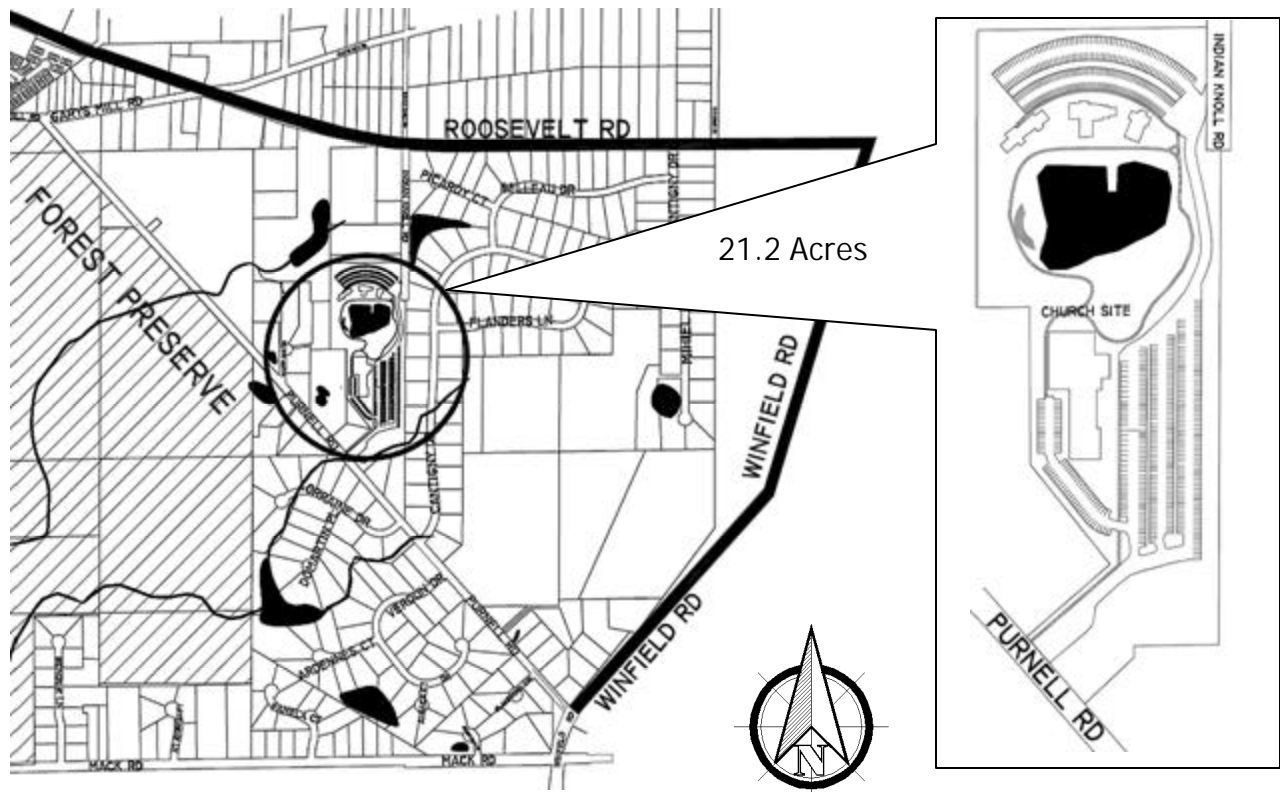
Traffic increase and congestion on our 2-lane residential country roads!

Major changes in water run-off/drainage!

Bells toll every half hour from morning 'til night!

Church music broadcast by carillon throughout the neighborhood!

Lower property values!



The West-Win Homeowners' Association adamantly opposes this proposal for our unincorporated, residential neighborhood. There are changes that will accompany the development of the mega Church of the Resurrection complex on a 21-acre site between Roosevelt Rd. and Purnell Rd. We are taking major steps to defend against this encroachment into our residential area. **For this we need both your support through attendance at the August 21st, 2008 Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing at 7PM at the DuPage County Administration Building at 421 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton, in the 2nd floor cafeteria — AND your financial support.**

Over the past 9 months the West-Win Board has twice been invited to meet with representatives of the church to hear presentations of their proposed establishment. The religious institution they are developing has changed over those 9 months from a neighborhood church into a training center to be used by people from the larger 84 million member Anglican Church worldwide. This would be a 24/7 operation with daily activities presenting negative impacts to the environment and neighbors in the surrounding residentially zoned area.

So they have grown into an institution that includes a building with over night accommodation for 25 people, an auxiliary chapel seating 300, a separate main sanctuary seating 1900, kitchen facilities for up to 400 people, a 90 foot tower with a cross atop and a bell to toll the hour and half hour from 7am to 9pm, a carillon to broadcast seasonal religious music and an outdoor amphitheatre to hold 200 people for musical events and other outdoor activities. There will be a third building in the so called "sending area" to house offices. As it is presently configured, the whole project will consist of a very large main sanctuary, three other smaller buildings and 584 parking places.

The church has moved from 'neighborhood' to 'MEGA' and they haven't even broken ground yet!

Will fire trucks or ambulances be able to get to your house on a Sunday morning?

We learned at the July 9th hearing that the church plans to have its main entrance/exit on Purnell Road, rejecting neighbor's earlier requests to enter and exit on Roosevelt Rd. Many homes in the area are on dead end streets with their only egress on Purnell Rd. This presents a safety hazard in case of fire or medical emergencies if the narrow, shoulder-less Purnell Rd. is crowded with church traffic. And crowded it will be when the church nears or reaches its capacity of over 1900 people per service on Sundays.

The proposal, as presented at the July 9th public hearing — and by all commonly accepted definitions — is now approaching a full blown **Mega-Church!**

The overall size, density and extent of daily activities give rise to enormous concerns about traffic, sewers, water drainage, lights and noise and are among the subjects that have not yet been addressed to our satisfaction.

Since the Church has still not supplied critical documents that the ZBA and our attorney have requested, we can not predict what the process of the hearing will be. What we take away from the Church's behavior thus far is that they are not living up to their promise of "being good neighbors" — and their behavior now is probably as "good as it gets".

Therefore, the West-Win Board has taken a position that this large facility is not compatible with the character of the area and would — in fact — be a major detriment to our neighborhood in many ways and on several levels.

This issue is so large and important to each of us that we are asking **you** to do several things in support of our efforts to preserve property values and our quiet rural environment:

- 1) Attend the continuation of the ZBA's public hearing on August 21 at 7pm in the Cafeteria of the County Administration building.
- 2) Send a donation to help pay for the attorney/consultants/experts who will present our position to the ZBA.
- 3) Write letters to the ZBA expressing your objections to the intrusion by this behemoth into our completely residential neighborhood. You can write to Mr. Robert Kartholl, Chair of the ZBA (see below for address). In order to get letters into the record they must be received by the ZBA before the August 21st hearing.

It is absolutely necessary that we stand together to protect our roads, homes and the environment in which we have chosen to live.

In Summation

The DuPage County Zoning Board of Appeals hearing of July 9, 2008, has been continued to August 21, 2008, 7PM at the DuPage County Administration Building at 421 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton, in the 2nd floor cafeteria.

We also strongly recommend that you write a letter to Mr. Robert Kartholl, Chair of the ZBA, indicating your opposition to this large church complex. Letters should be mailed to be received before the August 21st hearing to:

Mr. Robert Kartholl, Chair
DuPage County Zoning Board of Appeals
421 N. County Farm Rd.
Wheaton, IL 60187-3978

You can also eMail Mr. Kartholl and the ZBA members through DuPage County Zoning Administrator, Paul Hoss at: Paul.Hoss@dupageco.org.

We would appreciate receiving a copy of your letters and, with your permission, would like to post them along with others already on our website. Please eMail a copy of your letter to West-Win@comcast.net. And please indicate if you would like your name posted with your letter or if you wish to have all personal information removed from your letter prior to posting.

West-Win & DuPage Land Preservation Association (DLPA) Consolidation

Both the DuPage Land Preservation Association (DLPA) and the West-Win Homeowners' Association have been very active in the past to protect the rural nature of our unincorporated area. The DLPA has been very successful in thwarting a major commercial development in our residential area. With this new threat to our environment, we are now taking steps to consolidate the considerable resources, talents, and experience of the DLPA with West-Win to build an even stronger, more effective voice for our members.

Donations

Please consider making a contribution to help with the cost of legal advocacy and expert testimony being used to protect our neighborhood. Neighbors are beginning to answer this serious threat to their quality of life and property values with donations equivalent to 10% of their real estate taxes. It is in your own best interest to act now. Join your neighbors and contribute today.

Our Association consists of approximately 700 homes and at least 1200 eligible voters. About half of our members are directly affected by this large church development project. Even if you are not directly affected your donation is important. When your area needs help in the future, your donation given now will be repaid then.

Contact Us

Contact us via our website at West-Win.Home.comcast.net and view this Bulletin, read *current* updates, view the full transcript of the July 9th ZBA hearing, send comments and questions about this zoning issue, pay your dues, send donations, or read about past activities and issues. You may also eMail us at West-Win@comcast.net.

PROTECT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND INVESTMENT

Tell your neighbors! Tell your friends! Attend the August 21st Continued Zoning Hearing to show your concern over this Mega-Church serious impact!

West-Win Homeowners' Association

Some of the most crucial issues are:

- Significant increase in traffic on residential streets that will impact your safety
- Storm water management and sewer
- Noise, light, and air pollution from 24/7 operations



Circulation 734

Mega-Church Development Alert !!!!!

DuPage County Zoning Board of Appeals
Continued Hearing

West-Win Homeowners' Association

- **What:** *Continuation* of Zoning Hearing to get approval for a large religious institution on 21 residential acres between Purnell and Roosevelt Rds. Serious impacts identified.
- **When:** Thursday, August 21st, 2008 at 7:00 PM
- **Where:** DuPage County Complex, Admin. Bldg., Cafeteria, 421 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton

