

**RESOLUTION 2009-2
WINFIELD TOWNSHIP**

**OBJECTION TO THE
PROPOSED ZONING VARIANCE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON PURNELL ROAD,
PARCEL NO. 04-23-101-016**

WHEREAS, on February 10, 2009, the DuPage County Board members will be voting on whether to give zoning variance to Resurrection Church for the construction of a church complex on Purnell Road, West Chicago, Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, the Winfield Township Board feels very strongly that the safety of our roads is our utmost concern with the proposed zoning variance; and,

WHEREAS, the Purnell Road system will not handle the amount of traffic that will be generated. For this reason, it is the position of the Township that turn lanes both left and right are needed on the entrance site at Purnell Road to ensure the safety of the drivers. These proposed turn lanes will help, however, the amount of traffic leaving a church event will stack-up at Purnell Road at Winfield Road and Gary's Mill Road at both Illinois Route 38 and Illinois Route 59. There should be consideration taken into account where Purnell Road intersects at Winfield Road which is a curve, thus making hazardous turns. Also, at Gary's Mill Road and Illinois Route 38, that particular intersection being at a diagonal, thus making this a very hazardous intersection for turns; and,

WHEREAS, vehicles coming to the Church are not as crucial as when the event is over. Traffic is projected to leave via Purnell Road to Winfield Road, and Purnell Road to Gary's Mill Road to both Illinois Route 38 and Illinois Route 59. There has been some consideration to the use of Indian Knoll Road (south of Illinois Route 38). This road is currently a narrow paved road and would need to be improved and brought up to Township standards, at the developer's expense, which includes necessary turn lanes. The Township would prefer Indian Knoll Road be the main entrance for the church; and,

WHEREAS, the developer will need to include road improvements to Purnell Road when construction is completed. The amount of construction traffic will greatly compromise the already delicate condition of Purnell Road. Winfield Township taxpayers should not be required to re-build a road when it is damaged by a private entity; and,

WHEREAS, if the development is approved, that the developer include two lanes in and two lanes out of the church complex; and,

WHEREAS, there are concerns related to bringing city sewer to the property. The placement of pipe, as well as the restoration of the road and road right-of-way must meet Township guidelines; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed development should provide enough parking for its events, as the Township roads are designated no parking and there will be no parking along Township roads; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Winfield Township and the Winfield Township Road District, that we oppose the zoning variance for the purpose of establishing a church on Purnell Road, West Chicago, Illinois.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Winfield Township Clerk be directed to transmit copies of this resolution to members of the DuPage County Board.

PASSED THIS 9th day of February, 2009 by the Board of Trustees of Winfield Township for the Winfield Township and the Winfield Township Road District, Dupage County, Illinois.

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Clifford A. Brown, Clerk

Dona L. Smith, Supervisor

Joseph V. Jedlovec, Jr., Highway Commissioner