

Terri and Timothy Webster of 5650 Londonairy Blvd comes to attest and affirm the following before the Planning Commission to consider regarding Christ Community Chapel/AKA Hudson Community Church: Case No. 2025-231:

1. The residents resided at their place of residence prior to the building of the Christ Community Chapel (the named entity in the case). Two subdivisions were built prior the church: including Westbridge Crossing where we reside.
2. The named entity: Christ Community Chapel (hereinafter entity) requested at least a total of “three to four” changes to the building and parking lot (as admitted by Nick Sugar).
3. Despite providing the building expansion: since 2020 the church has determined without prior notice to the Planning Commission built a stage, held services and performed “fund raising events” on the outside of their building on the grass and parking lot, where they have speakers situated around the outside of their building and parking lot. Consequently and purposely, loud noise generates to the surrounding homes not just to the entity. THIS INFORMATION WAS NOT REPORTED TO THE ANY ENTITY WITHIN HUDSON: INCLUDING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. As previously testified residents reported excessive noise levels to the Police. However, it is my contention that Hudson Police have an ethics violation by providing services to the church and refusing to address noise complaints by residents.
4. In support of the above contention, I specifically requested police reports about the noise level from the church made by any homeowners and the Police Chief could not provide any reports, including reports made by this resident (on at least two occasions).
5. Moreover prior requests from this entity were granted without the necessary consideration of the forthcoming outcome(s) to the residents that reside directly behind and along the posterior and anterior side of the church. Several requests were made to Greg Hannan to consider the outcome to the residents residing behind the church. However, according to the REPORT submitted by STAFF this did not occur. NOT ONE RESIDENT WAS GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS WITH THE COMMISSION STAFF THE ISSUES THAT would OCCUR WITH THE LIGHTENING OR SOCCOR FIELDS (other than needing to come to testify before the commission). Hence these reports only provide the church’s request (not a full detailed report).

DUE PROCESS;

It was made clear that the Commission Staff did not provide due process to all residents of Westbridge Crossing and any other's impacted by the lighting or noise from the Soccer field. A resident indicated at the prior hearing she did not receive any notice of the Commission Hearing until a neighbor provided the notice. As such, any decision by the Commission must be delayed until such time that all residents are given notice.

Prior Statements made to the Commission

My husband and I have attended all hearings regarding the church except for the one in May and June. Despite compelling testimony from a resident, regarding the expansion of the parking lot, the Commission permitted such, at the hearing, the representative from the Church under oath testified that no further requests would be made to the Commission regarding the outside or inside of the church. Thus, the Commission cannot grant the church request since prior statements regarding changes have already been made under oath to residences and to the Commission.

The request for a soccer field and lightening around a walking path is detrimental to the quality and use of nearby homes:

Hudson currently had more than six -parks that allow for walking, biking, skating and soccer. Moreover, the sidewalk (paid by the residents of Hudson) surround the front and side of the Crist Community Chapel as well as the Metro Park across from the Westbridge Crossing. Any congregant can utilize the existing paths to walk, bike or play soccer. See Hudson Parks and Metro Parks for full disclosure.

The residences of 5650 Londonairy are well acquainted with the noise level of soccer games. Given the noise from parents, players, and the referee, this would far exceed allowed levels previously discussed at the prior hearing. There has yet to be a noise assessment provided by the church regarding the soccer games.

Moreover, according to the representative from the church, he testified he "had no knowledge of other soccer clubs using the church grounds to play soccer. However, each year with the knowledge of the church, Ambassador Soccer Club each summer used the grounds for a camp. In addition, the testimony from a resident confirmed that the church was using their grounds for other teams to play on their property (Testimony).

Furthermore, the noise level from soccer games would be higher than permitted. Moreover, it is the expectation that soccer games and the noise level that occurs with soccer games come

with, would be permitted to 10:00 pm. There are no real limitations to the church which would essentially permit the destruction of the quality and “use” of the residence’, that reside behind the church. The noise level would prevent residents from fully utilizing the inside or backyards of their homes every weekend from before 8:00am to 10:00pm.

Moreover, since the representative has not been forthcoming in his testimony, regarding the actual use of the soccer field, this entity should not be permitted any such use (the Dirty Hands Doctrine). It is our contention, that this church will utilize the soccer field for other teams other than those than established by the church congregants. The past performance by the church has utilized the grounds to fund raise, using high levels of noise to the residents. The church representative admitted that he spoke to no residence even though his agent trespassed on property and loud noise from church services occurred for several years. Since the church had not been forthcoming, on several occasions, there is no reason to conclude that the church would not sell the fields to other teams, and thus leaving no recourse to the residence would occur. See the current Chapel Website.

Furthermore, trees are not a legitimate barrier to noise coming from so close to the nearby residents. It is totally unnecessary for this entity to have a park or soccer field on its property that would greatly interfere with the Use and Quality of nearby residences. Moreover, it was not anticipated by this homeowner that has prior property rights given the length of homeownership over that of this church.

The single concern for the Planning Commission must be to the residences of Hudson (tax payers) rather than an entity that does not pay taxes. Moreover, the entity has once again requested changes to the outside of the building that would have detrimental effects to the nearby residents (including but not limited to: dealing with a nuisance throughout the summer and preventing residences from utilizing their backyards, and devaluation of their homes due to this nuisance).

If all churches in Hudson requested an outdoor park and soccer field, what would the City of Hudson look like: As such, the entity has not meet their burden by providing any reasonable explanation, for needing a lighted walking path, or field to play soccer. Until now the burden has been on the residents surrounding the entity and it is time for the Commission to review past testimony regarding the church and hold them accountable. Moreover, the residents are requesting that you reject the request in total from this entity.

Respectfully Submitted,

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