

To: Ruggle, Dave

Subject: Proposed Gas Station on Leslie and Janette Streets

Dear Mr. Ruggle,

My family and I are residents on Janette Street. After having viewed the Notice at the top of our street near Leslie and having heard from other concerned neighbours, I feel this proposal must be addressed.

We have concerns about having a gas station/convenience store/Subway at the top of our street for several reasons.

1. Too close proximity of the gas station to residential homes.
2. As ours is a residential street, having a gas station at the top of the street will absolutely have negative impacts due to more traffic, most of which consists of fast drivers, which is a cause of concern for safety for pedestrians and our children. As well, more light pollution due to constant activity at the gas station.
3. Increased noise due to traffic at all times of the day/night, which will impact the residents ability to enjoy their home space and peaceful evenings.
4. There is great concern of underground gas tanks and the health hazards they pose. As we are all down hill, the entire street is a risk of being exposed to fumes and/or gas leaks which would also get into the watershed that runs the length of our street.
5. Garbage pollution: unfortunately there are those who do not use available garbage receptacles. This will no doubt be noticed by our neighbours especially near the top of the street, and likely left to deal with clean up. Increase in garbage will also mean more problems with animals looking for food and likely mean more animals killed by the increase in cars.

If there were a gas leak or other environmental hazard, how would the issue be dealt with and by whom?

How do we ensure the safety of the residents of this street with a huge increase in traffic? Our quiet street will turn into another Elgin where you rarely see people out; where we will always be worried about our kids and fast drivers, which by the way, is epidemic.

It is worth noting that we already have a convenience store at the top of the street near Elgin and there are two gas stations within very close proximity to our street. Subway is also not far, being located near the Beer Store.

All in all, it is my deep feeling that this proposal be abandoned. No where else that I have noticed is there a gas station/convenience store location right next to a residential street. If we wish to sell our house one day, is there a guarantee that this won't adversely affect being able to sell at a good price?

With all of these shared concerns, I am not in support of this proposal and ask that it be abandoned.

Regards,

Lee Ann Crilley