

To The Dane County Zoning and Land Regulation Committee,

I am Kara Bubb, residing at 7016 Applewood Dr., across the street and two doors down from the house to which CUP 2653 pertains.

My husband and I moved to the Applewood Hill neighborhood in August of 2021 with a 1-year-old and a 5-year-old. We moved here to raise our current, and any future children, in a safe, quiet, and close-knit community. I am concerned that the proposed change to the CUP to allow 3-night, instead of the current 5-night, minimum stays will attract renters who do not treat the neighborhood as a home.

Based on my own research regarding the difference between 5-day and 3-day renters, 5-day renters are looking for a more home-like experience while 3-day renters are looking more for convenience, accessibility & proximity to their destination.

Today we know many of our neighbors in Applewood Hill and enjoy seeing many of them when we take regular family walks around the neighborhood at night after dinner. My husband frequently runs the loop of our neighborhood and our girls have both learned to ride bikes in this neighborhood. Our now nine-year-old can independently ride her bike in the loop around the neighborhood and our five-year-old has a goal of graduating from her training wheels this spring or summer.

Our neighborhood does not have sidewalks and consists of a single loop around the neighborhood which is not conducive to traffic unfamiliar with the neighborhood. There are a number of "blind corners" in the loop where both pedestrians, bicyclist, and car drivers are unable to see around the next corner. People who live in the neighborhood know to drive very slowly and look out for the blind corners. 3-day renters who have a primary interest in convenience and will be coming-and-going in-and-out of the neighborhood, will not know to look out for my children or any of the other many children in the neighborhood. Today, the only people coming into the neighborhood are people who know the neighborhood; I do not support inviting regular short-term renters to enter the neighborhood.

I close by asking this committee, is expanding the Conditional Use Permit for one resident with the goal of expanding their business opportunity to make more money, more important than preserving an intimate and safe neighborhood community for the rest of us who are currently and will be raising their families in the neighborhood for years to come?

My children deserve the the same gift the children who were already raised in the

neighborhood were given - to grow up in a safe, quiet, and close-knit community of neighbors who treat the neighborhood as their home.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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