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Subject: Formal submission letter for hearing 1/28/24 2024 OA-23

Dane County Zoning,

This is my public submission letter of opposition to the Dane County ordinance amendment 2024 OA-23, whereas the County seeks authorization to change current law regarding how a CUP is processed along with future changes to the current ordinance by amendment.

On December 17, 2024 Dane County Zoning meeting item K. 2024 DISC-017, this ordinance was discussed with the committee. Roger Lane presented to the committee, and he told them that if the majority of Town's don't agree with this, we won't be able to adopt the ordinance. This statement by Mr Lane tells us that the word-smithing in this ordinance has a much further impact on communities than just complying with the State of Wisconsin.

This indicates that if a Town denies a CUP, they will be required to prove to Dane County that they had good reason to deny, and even when such proof is given, Dane County Zoning will ultimately make the final decision regardless of the Towns input. There is no information or specifics to what proof the Town is required to submit, nor is there information to how the County will work with the Town to remedy either position.

Case point of Dane County's conduct in hearing community evidence in opposition to a CUP; July 18, 2023 Dane County Zoning Committee hearing for a new CUP, Land Value evidence was submitted by the community attorney. Zoning staff negotiated with the CUP operators attorney to suppress any new evidence. (This evidence was not new, considering this was a new CUP hearing). Dane County zoning committee would not hear the Land Value evidence submitted based on its staffs recommendation, and therefore approved the CUP. Since then there have been 18 condition violation complaints prior to August 2024 to this CUP, 1 formal violation 8/19/24 written by zoning staff and other violations were reduced to advisory to the committee on 12/17/24.

Dane County Zoning is controlling more and more each year which impacts on our communities. Zoning is making its own rules with this ordinance which will give the County more leverage to ignore our community and our Town decisions.

Ordinance OA-23 amendment should be opposed by any Town if they wish to continue protecting its community by making its own decisions.

Respectfully submitted,

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