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#### **CITY OF MADISON**

# Registration Statement - Pedestrian/Bicycle/Motor Vehicle Commission

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# Testimony provided to the City of Madison Pedestrian/Bicycle/Motor Vehicle Commission (PMBVC).

October 27, 2015

My name is Jean Jacobson. I am the Executive Director of the Oakwood Village Prairie Ridge campus. We are a non-profit church affiliated continuing care retirement community located on the East side of Madison, bordering Tancho Drive and American Parkway. We are home to over 370 older adults and employ over 250 staff persons. Our campus serves persons in Independent Living with services, Assisted Living and Rehabilitation Skilled Nursing Services.

We would like to request traffic signals at the intersection of Tancho Drive and American Parkway.

Many of our residents drive throughout the city of Madison and beyond. They are concerned about the increased volume of traffic on the streets surrounding our campus and how this affects their ability to safely access their community. I would like to highlight those areas the criteria for traffic signals impact our neighborhood in the area of Tancho Drive and American Parkway.

Pedestrian Volume – there is a noticeable increase in pedestrian volume close to our campus especially near the Tancho Drive intersection. Many of the employees of American Family Insurance (which employs over 4000 people) live in the apartment complexes, Barrington Place with 202 apartments and 50 Twenty with 263 apartments, adjacent to our campus. The 50 Twenty complex was newly constructed with 7 new apartment buildings this year. Rather than drive to work, many of the employees cross American Parkway at Tancho Drive to reach the American Family Insurance complex. There are also school age children who wait for the school bus on the curb of our campus's sidewalk. Traffic signals would assist in controlling the traffic which passes near these children.

Oakwood is a Lutheran ministry serving generations of aging adults, encouraging individuality, worth and well-being throughout life.





Intersection Topography — When you are trying to turn (or walk) onto American Parkway from Tancho Drive, there is a hill to the north on American Parkway. This hill impedes a driver or walker's vision, causing a dangerous situation that would not be the case if the land was flat. Traffic signals would also slow drivers down who are driving over the crest of the hill.

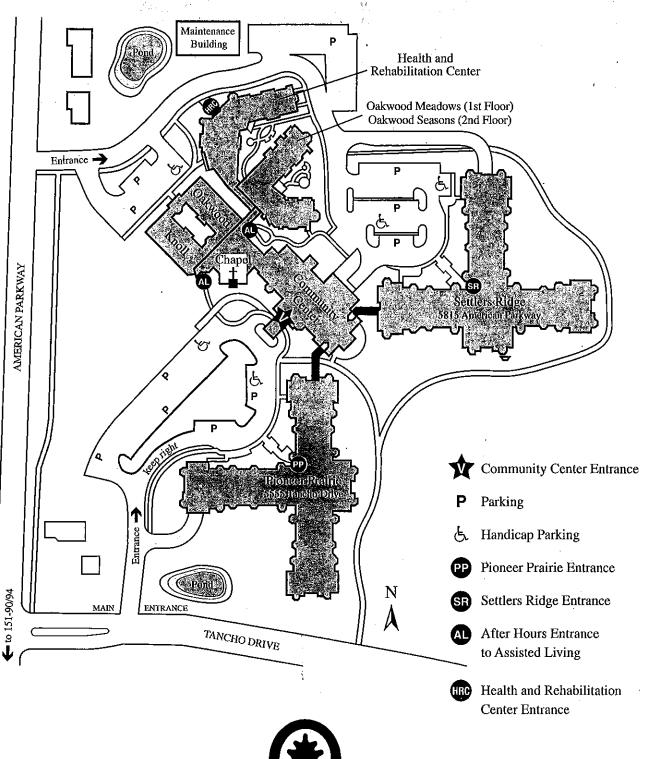
Traffic Increase -Our traffic has increased on American Parkway especially in the last year with the opening of many businesses in our neighborhood including Woodman's grocery store, Cabela's, Palace Theatre, University of Wisconsin Hospital at the American Center and many smaller businesses, retail outlets and restaurants on the East side of Madison and adjacent Sun Prairie.

We also anticipate increased traffic as Fiduciary Real Estate Development, the developers of Barrington Place and 50 Twenty complexes, is planning to build more apartment buildings on Tancho Drive in the spring, 2016. They are planning to construct eight apartment buildings with 280-300 units.

I would like to present to you a petition signed by 138 of our Oakwood Village Prairie Ridge residents. This petition was organized by our residents in reaction to the increased traffic impacting safety concerns in our neighborhood. The residents support the future installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of American Parkway and Tancho Drive.

Thank you for your serious consideration of our request on behalf of the Oakwood Village Prairie Ridge residents.

If you need further information, I can be reached at jean.jacobson@oakwoodvillage.net or 230-4538.





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