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Subject: Contact City of Madison Planning

The following contact request was received:

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Message:

Heather Stouder, Director, Department of Planning, Community & Economic Development,
and
Ledell Zellers, Chair of the Plan Commission,

I oppose the resolution to allow the Edgewood campus to withdraw from its Master Plan. The City and Edgewood entered into this Master Plan agreement with the understanding that it would be honored by all parties for ten years from 2014-2024. Edgewood and the adjacent neighborhoods negotiated for four years to create this agreement. Ending this agreement will negatively impact the Lake Wingra watershed and local neighbors. Throughout the stadium approval process Edgewood has blatantly misled the city and neighbors on their intent. Edgewood stated to the city that they lost their ability to play in Middleton, but emails show that Edgewood High School voluntarily terminated their Middleton Football agreement, and can still play at Middleton. This is contrary to Edgewood's claim to the city that "Prior agreements for use of Middleton's field cannot be extended, leaving Edgewood without predictable locations and often last on the list of requests to host games." The Dudgeon-Monroe Neighborhood Association strongly opposes the proposed new stadium. The city should not reward this dishonest behavior. Ending the agreement will justifiably erode the trust that Madison residents have in local government to keep their word on agreements and contracts.

Regards,
Eric Brodsky
Madison, WI

From: Evers, Tag <district13@cityofmadison.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:44 AM
To: Stouder, Heather <HStouder@cityofmadison.com>; Fruhling, William <WFruhling@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Fw: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

Dear Bill,

I note that not all Plan Commission members were copied in this email.

Thanks.

Tag Evers

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Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 10:15 AM
To: ajstatz2@madison.k12.wi.us; bacantrell@charter.net; erics@cows.org; jshagenow@yahoo.com; klanespencer@uwalumni.com; Lemmer, Lindsay; Rummel, Marsha; hiwayman@chorus.net; Heck, Patrick
Cc: Evers, Tag; No New Stadium Info
Subject: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

Dear Members of the Madison Plan Commission,

On August 26th, you will consider repealing the CI zoning master plan for the Edgewood Campus (College, High School and Campus School). I am writing to request that you DO NOT repeal the Master Plan.

The city's master plan process established Edgewood's 10-year plan, negotiated in good faith with multiple stakeholders. If Edgewood did not mean what is in the plan, or if they now want to change something in it, they should be required to go through the designated amendment process. They should not be allowed to dismiss their commitments to the neighborhood and city.

I appreciate your consideration,

Bruce King
873 Terry Place
Madison
[REDACTED]

Stouder, Heather

From: Patricia Friday <patricia.friday72@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2019 9:24 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

Dear Heather,
Please share this email with the Plan Commission.
Thank you.

To the Plan Commission,

I urge the city to reject the resolution by Edgewood High School to withdraw from its Master Plan with the city of Madison. Please preserve the planning process that the city established to balance the needs of campus institutions and neighborhoods.

We moved to Woodrow Street in 1978. Since that time, the neighbors and the three Edgewood entities have negotiated in good faith to balance the needs of the growing schools and of the surrounding neighborhood. The neighbors have said yes to the many Edgewood improvements and additions. A liaison committee was formed with both neighborhood and Edgewood representatives who spent countless hours building trust and goodwill. The outcome was the Master Plan that balanced the needs of Edgewood and the neighborhood. Over the years, all have benefitted from the Master Plan. The process has worked.

Now, Edgewood wants something not in the Master Plan. Edgewood is proposing a new stadium with lights, amplified sound, additional seating, concessions and more. They hope to host up to 40 events including many for non-Edgewood teams. All of this is in violation of the Master Plan and would cause increased traffic and parking issues as well as noise and light pollution in the surrounding neighborhood. This would negatively impact the livability of the neighborhood. Edgewood's solution...withdraw from the Master Plan.

The campus institutional district ordinance was designed to balance the competing needs of institutions with the residential neighborhoods in which they are located.

That is what Edgewood's Master plan has done – balance the needs of both entities.

Please reject the resolution by Edgewood to withdraw from the plan. Preserve the planning process, protect the integrity of our neighborhoods and retain the faith of our citizens.

Patricia Friday

1050 Woodrow Street

Madison, WI

53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Randy McElhose <mcelhrf@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2019 8:28 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood H.S. Athletics

Yes, as half-century west-side Madison residents, we favor schools being able to hold school activities on-site. All Madison schools. Including athletics. Please support the recent ordinance to terminate the current EHS master plan. (It seems weird to have to defend school athletics, since it's a world-wide multi-century practice. But hey, it's Madison.)

First, history: EHS has been "in the neighborhood" for over a century. Including athletics. Heck, EHS was part of the neighborhood before there even was a neighborhood. There isn't a person living today who remembers when EHS athletics did NOT occur.

Second, equity: Other Madison High Schools currently practice what is being preached. Their athletic events are held on-site, space available. For decades. With brighter lights and more noise than EHS could ever dream, e.g., talk to Memorial High School neighbors. Or heck, try Camp Randall, whose football cheers can easily be heard on Monroe St. The "no new stadium" slogan is a ruse. EHS has always had an athletic field. The issue is whether EHS actually gets to use it, i.e., continue doing same as its' done for generations. Sheesh.

Third, small groups & public policy: What role should next-door neighbors and interested parties play in city decision-making? Some say quite a lot, e.g., neighborhood associations. However, small-groups of any stripe can be atypical, especially regarding city-wide policies. Think new homeless shelters. Small groups are great for broadcasting anger. Rustle up some yard-signs, drum up some letters-to-the-editor, etc. Use invective. We all know the drill.

However, how about alternative views and a city-wide perspective? Not so much. Speaking of which, what "block-party" and/or single-interest group wouldn't adore an OMG/NIMBY/heckler's veto-authority regarding city-wide policy? A short list includes lakefront property owners, Confederate War Memorial supporters, developers and Tree Lane neighbors.

Monroe St. neighbors are good people and deserve to be heard. However, their concerns might be rightly considered a shield, not a sword. The Nancy Reagan-esque "just say no" on the part of (some) Monroe neighbors, for almost a year, has become interminable and frankly, silly.

Time for the better angels of our nature and city-wide voices to step-up: a) EHS has a century-long athletic history outliving anyone, b) Other city schools also hold athletic events, likewise from time out-of-memory. c) EHS is ¼ the size of other city high schools. The recent proposal basically endorses a minor-league case of what occurs every Friday night in the fall, at high schools all over Dane County. (It ain't Woodstock, folks.) About soccer games and track meets, also not a rowdy EHS bunch. Hosting grade-school track meets, ditto. Please support this proposal!

Sincerely,

Randy McElhose & Karen Sepin
2750 Kendall Ave.
Madison, WI 53705

Stouder, Heather

From: June Bokovitz <junebokovitz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2019 2:56 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

I am very interested in the future of Edgewood High School as I had 4 children that graduated from this excellent school. Please vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's master plan. Thanks you.

Sincerely,
June Bokovitz
1721 Wicklow Way
608-271-1456
junebokovitz@gmail.com

Stouder, Heather

From: Dianne Jenkins <jenkins2125@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2019 1:06 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: Evers, Tag
Subject: For Plan Commission legistar item 56839

Ms. Stouder:

Please distribute the letter below to the chair and members of the Plan Commission.

Thank you!

To the Chair and Members of the Plan Commission:

Re: legistar item 56839 on the agenda for the 8/26 meeting.

Edgewood has requested a CI ordinance amendment that will allow it to unilaterally exit its Master Plan, which was the result of a four year process of negotiation with its adjacent neighborhoods and which Edgewood has used to great advantage.

I am writing to ask you to oppose this proposed amendment.

In the Master Plan, Edgewood repeatedly referred to its desire to understand neighborhood concerns and mitigate identified harmful impacts of proposed developments and land use, and the Plan reflects concessions made in response.

One of the few limitations in the Master Plan was the high school's use of its athletic field to practices and classes.

At the same time, the adjacent neighborhoods approved approximately 16 major developments, and Edgewood has reaped the benefits of these developments over the past five years.

Now, rather than revive its proposal to amend its Master Plan to allow for a broader use of its athletic field, which it filed last October and then withdrew in January of this year [see legistar file #53954], Edgewood seeks to exit the Master Plan altogether.

This is after having first appealed the Master Plan restrictions on use of its athletic field to the Zoning Board of Appeals, which upheld the city zoning administrator's position (4 - 0).

The next step is not to exit the MP, but to go before the Plan Commission and Common Council for a hearing on their proposed amendment.

Following this established process would allow for public input on the proposal, and a weighing by the Plan Commission and Common Council of its benefits/harms, as the CI ordinance intended.

Supporting this amendment will allow an institution to avoid a public hearing on a significant, and controversial, land use change.

This is inconsistent with the legislative intent of the CI ordinance, and is concerning not just for my neighborhood, but for all city neighborhoods.

Madison has a strong record of public input and community engagement, and its comprehensive plan reflects its intention to support the vitality and livability of its neighborhoods.

I urge you to oppose this proposed amendment and recommend that Edgewood follow the established public process and seek an amendment to its Master Plan.

This would be consistent with the legislative intent of the CI district, with the city's values and with the city's comprehensive plan, which affirms that neighborhoods are the building blocks of the city.

Thank you,

Dianne Jenkins
1802 Monroe St.

Stouder, Heather

From: Julia Dragoo <julia.dragoo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2019 11:46 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Master Plan for EHS

Hello Ms. Stouder,

I am in favor of terminating the Master plan for Edgewood High School. We greatly look forward to a smooth and quick closure to this process as it's been a large strain on the students and the school community.

I greatly hope that you will support the termination of the Master plan.

Stouder, Heather

From: Amie Dragoo <amie.dragoo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2019 10:58 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Support

Hello Ms. Stouder,

I am in favor of terminating the Master plan for Edgewood High School. We greatly look forward to a smooth and quick closure to this process as it's been a large strain on the students and the school community.

I greatly hope that you will support the termination of the Master plan.

Amie Dragoo

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Stouder, Heather

From: Nwankwo, Kenneth - DOT <Kenneth.Nwankwo@dot.wi.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2019 10:20 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood High School Master Plan Termination & Return to Standard Campus Zoning

Hello Ms. Heather Stouder,

My name is Kenneth Nwankwo and I am a city of Madison resident.

I am writing to solicit your support to **VOTE YES** in **SUPPORT** of the ordinance introduced by Mayor Rhodes-Conway to terminate the Edgewood High School's Master Plan and for Edgewood to return to the Standard Campus Institutional zoning, which would put it on equal footing with other High Schools within Madison area.

A **YES VOTE** from you would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

Kenneth Nwankwo
5126 Hazelcrest Dr.
Madison, WI 53704

Stouder, Heather

From: Fred Rouse <Fred@rousemgmt.com>
Sent: Monday, August 19, 2019 9:33 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Terminating the master plan for Edgewood High School

Dear Heather,

Please vote YES!!

Fred Rouse

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Stouder, Heather

From: Matt Helf <mjhelf1@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 8:21 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: Edgewood High School
Subject: Edgewood High School - Goodman Athletic Complex

Good Evening Heather,

I wanted to take a moment to express my support for Edgewood High School and the Goodman Athletic Complex. I was born and raised in Madison; while I left after college, I returned several years ago to raise a family in Madison. Whether living throughout the midwest or here, I continue to be amazed at the goodwill put forth by the Edgewood community. I attended Edgewood in the 90s and the camaraderie, relationships and sense of community experienced then are integral to where I am today.

Edgewood is an integral part of the Madison community and I'm incredibly proud of their commitment to work in partnership with the surrounding neighbors to find a solution that works for the multiple parties involved .

As you and the City Plan Commission move forward, I ask you to **vote YES in SUPPORT** of the ordinance to terminate its current Master Plan and return to the standard CI (Campus Institutional) zoning.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

Matt Helf
5831 Sandhill Drive
Middleton, WI 53562

Stouder, Heather

From: Steve Wendler <stephen.wendler@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 7:33 PM
To: Mayor
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan Termination

Mayor Rhodes-Conway and Director Stouder,

For the past 2.5 years Edgewood High School has attempted to work with a group of neighbors to reach a reasonable solution for the use of their property in the education of their students.

Unfortunately there has been no resolution and the only solutions offered by the group has been; No and go somewhere else.

It is clear the Master Plan process is no longer working.

This process has somehow turned into a belief that it is the "law". The unfair restrictions being applied to Edgewood - make this process no longer an effective way to work with the City and neighbors.

Edgewood voluntarily entered into this agreement and now is requesting to end this agreement.

I support their request to terminate this plan and return the rights granted to Edgewood as a land owner and urge you to do the same.

Steve Wendler
5 Basswood Court
Madison, WI 53719

Stouder, Heather

From: Patricia Friday <patricia.friday72@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 5:50 PM
To: tag evers; All Alders; Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood and the Master Plan

Tag, Heather and all alders,

I urge the city to reject the resolution by Edgewood High School to withdraw from its Master Plan with the city of Madison. Please preserve the planning process that the city established to balance the needs of campus institutions and neighborhoods.

We moved to Woodrow Street in 1978. Since that time, the neighbors and the three Edgewood entities have negotiated in good faith to balance the needs of the growing schools and of the surrounding neighborhood. The neighbors have said yes to the many Edgewood improvements and additions. A liaison committee was formed with both neighborhood and Edgewood representatives who spent countless hours building trust and goodwill. The outcome was the Master Plan that balanced the needs of Edgewood and the neighborhood. Over the years, all have benefitted from the Master Plan. The process has worked.

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Please reject the resolution by Edgewood to withdraw from the plan. Preserve the planning process, protect the integrity of our neighborhoods and retain the faith of our citizens.

Patricia Friday

1050 Woodrow Street

Madison, WI

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Stouder, Heather

From: Chris Caulum <ccaalum@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 5:24 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Support for Edgewood HS dissolution of master plan

Plan Commission members,

I am writing to ask you to support the resolution introduced by the Mayor to allow Edgewood High School to dissolve its voluntary master plan.

Edgewood has not been treated the same as the UW-Madison, where the Goodman Diamond softball stadium is referred to as a practice field in its master plan and where uses noted in the master plan at the Union Terrace fail to mention live music. While softball games and live music continue unabated, Edgewood was the first to create a master plan for an institutional district and apparently made the mistake of not mentioning every conceivable use of its athletic field, a field that has been in continuous use for games since the 1920's.

A small group of 30 or so households out of the 600+ that surround the school are being very unreasonable and that includes your the local Alder Evers.

Alder Evers supported the expansion of uses at Breese Stevens field despite some vocal neighborhood opposition. That field is used far more often at night, far more with amplified sound and lights, and with many times the number of people attending. The visitors there aren't confined to an on-site parking lot as they are at Edgewood; they park throughout the neighborhood and have typically been consuming alcohol. Alder Evers did that because it was in his best interests as a music and event promoter.

Edgewood also has its best interests in mind as it continues to try to educate its students in the Sinsinawa Dominican tradition. The dissolution of the master plan will result in some evening activities on its athletic field, which has been in use since the 1920's or before. Compared to Breese Stevens, the evening activities to be held at Edgewood will have a negligible impact on the neighborhood.

Very tall trees border the field on Woodrow and Monroe Streets, no drinking occurs, all of the parking is confined to the campus grounds, and events are over at 9:30 or sooner. Moreover, Edgewood has offered to use the latest in technology in lighting and sound systems to avoid or minimize impacts.

While Edgewood had good intentions when it developed its master plan 5 years ago, it is now in an untenable position due to a series of events that could not have been predicted. The only equitable solution is for the master plan to be dissolved so that Edgewood can be on equal footing to the other high schools and institutions that share the same zoning.

I hope that I can count on you to support the Mayor as the resolution makes its way through the Plan Commission and City Council. Thank you.

Chris Caulum

City of Madison resident since 1973
Property tax payer since 2000

Stouder, Heather

From: Karen Golden <badger2606@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 4:44 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder:

Please have the City Plan Commission Vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School's current master plan.

Edgewood High School has been a responsible part of the Madison community since 1847. The Edgewood High School community is guided by the Sinsinawa Dominican values of Truth, Compassion, Justice, Community, and Partnership. Today, Edgewood students are required to perform at least 100 hours of community service to graduate, and most students significantly exceed this requirement. The entire high school volunteers together across the county on one day every fall semester.

Edgewood hosts numerous events on campus for the area community, including a farmers market. When the Edgewood neighborhood asked that students not park on area streets, Edgewood drastically increased on-campus parking so that all students are able to park on school grounds.

The current dialogue regarding the addition of stadium lighting, sound, and spectator stands has become an emotional, and not fact-based, dialogue. Due to technological improvements, both lighting and sound will be contained within a small footprint. In addition, the number of events will be limited to the fall and spring semesters, and most events will conclude by 9 p.m. Adequate parking is available on campus so that on street parking will not be required.

Athletics is an important part of the high school experience for many students. Games play an important social role for students, parents, and faculty. And, Edgewood athletics should be a source of entertainment and enjoyment for the neighborhood, not a divisive issue. As parents of an Edgewood student, and an Edgewood Alumni, and residents of the City of the Madison for more than 28 years, we hope that the community can come together to support lights and bleachers for Edgewood, and the neighborhood.

Ultimately, our community is one for all, not a community of a few neighborhood residents who choose to exclude, rather than include. **Please partner with Edgewood for the benefit of the broader community.**

Karen and Tom Golden / 7517 Sawmill Road / Madison, WI 53717

Stouder, Heather

From: Colleen Settles <csettlesop@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 3:05 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

To the Members of the City Plan Commission - As a Member of the Leadership Council of the Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters and as The Canonical Chair of Edgewood High School, Inc, I ask you to vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan for the Edgewood Campus.

Edgewood High School has been an important educational institution in Madison for over a century, yet without the ability to give an excellent and well rounded education to our students, including athletic competitions, we risk the viability of this school.

The Mayor has proposed a solution of vacating the existing Master Plan to which all of the current campus institutions have agreed, including Edgewood College, Edgewood Campus School and Edgewood High School.

Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters have sponsored these schools from the beginning and have educated generations of students there, where they have engaged in competitive sports on the campus. A yes vote will help Edgewood High School continue educating students into the future in the Dominican tradition.

Thank you for your support.

Sr. Colleen Settles, OP
Leadership Council
Sinsinawa Dominican Sisters

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Stouder, Heather

From: Kimberly Herlitzka <Kim.Herlitzka@bakertilly.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 2:36 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Master Plan

Please vote yes to support termination of the master plan. We appreciate your consideration.

Kim Herlitzka



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Stouder, Heather

From: RICHARD O FRIDAY <rofriday@wisc.edu>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 1:23 PM
To: tag evers
Cc: All Alders; Stouder, Heather
Subject: master plan revision

Tag, Thank you for your efforts to deal with the Campus Master Plan loophole at the city council level. It is much appreciated. The neighborhood, through the liaison committee (which unfortunately has recently been disbanded by Edgewood) worked for years with the schools before the Master Plan was filed. It was clear at that time that the neighborhood supported the plan with the understanding that the field was for physical education and team practices and Edgewood agreed. The three schools have had the benefit of moving forward with many projects over the last six years without having to deal with the plan commission. Now that the high school wants something that was not included in the plan, they want to opt out. That is outrageous and makes a mockery of the zoning process. Please continue your good work.

As an aside, we were at the Africa Fest celebration at McPike Park last night. A city official was measuring sound levels during the concert. She related that 96 decibels is the allowable level which is unacceptable in a residential neighborhood under any circumstances.

Thank you,

Rick Friday
1050 Woodrow st.
Madison, Wi. 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Jeffrey Jerred <jcjerred@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 1:15 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; Andrew J. Statz; Bradley A. Cantrell; erics@cow.s.org;
jshagenow@yahoo.com; Lemmer, Lindsay; Rummel, Marsha; hiwayman@chorus.net;
Heck, Patrick
Subject: Edgewood Campus to withdraw from Master Plan

Plan Commission:

I cannot attend the meeting on August 26 but I am in close proximity to the practice field where the proposed stadium would be built. I am writing to register my opposition to allowing Edgewood Campus to withdraw from its Master Plan. It is an affront to the integrity of the public planning process in the City of Madison. There is no discrimination in honoring an agreement that has been entered into voluntarily. In fact, I would suggest that it is an action of dishonesty and bad faith for the Campus to even ask to withdraw from the plan that was negotiated agreed upon by all parties.

Thank you,
Jeffrey Jerred
860 Woodrow Street

Stouder, Heather

From: Kevin Schmotzer <k.schmotzer@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 1:03 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood HS

I am writing today to voice my **STRONG SUPPORT** for the ordinance to allow Edgewood High School to terminate its master plan.

Kevin Schmotzer
4718 Ames St
Madison, WI 53711
608-219-6705

Stouder, Heather

From: Rachel Landgraf <rlandgraf10@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 11:19 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School reflection/please vote YES!
Attachments: EdgewoodHSSStadium_RachelLandgraf.pdf

Hi Heather,

I hope all is well!

My name is Rachel Landgraf and I was born and raised in Madison. I proudly attended high school at Edgewood and really was able to grow and learn as a teenager/young adult by attending that school and participate in athletic activities. You might know my dad, Mark Landgraf!

Attached in this email is a letter I wrote regarding my thoughts on Edgewood's athletic field and how I encourage you to vote "YES" in support of the ordinance to terminate the master plan.

I encourage you to read the letter and would love to answer any questions you have about the school, my time there, etc.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to read this email and letter.

Have a great rest of the day!

Best,

- Rachel Landgraf

(608) 712-1827

Stouder, Heather

From: Stu Stitgen <sstitgen@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 9:19 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood High School athletic field use

Dear Miss Stouder,

We are the parents of an Edgewood soccer player who very much would like to play on his own home field. As you know this is not currently possible. We need to encourage our youth to be active and this field is a large part of that.

We very much encourage you to vote at the Planning Commission **YES** for termination of the present ordinance.

Sincerely,

Ann and Stu Stitgen

Stouder, Heather

From: Sanders, Margaret <margaret.sanders@edgewoodhs.org>
Sent: Sunday, August 18, 2019 8:59 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

Good morning Ms. Stouder!

It would mean a lot for me and my fellow classmates if you asked the Plan Commission to vote yes in support of terminating the ordinance. I trust that you will act with fairness and come to a just decision. I am very grateful for the hard work you have done in the past and continue to do!

Thank you again,
Maggie Sanders

Stouder, Heather

From: George/Karleen Meyer <gjm1114@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 17, 2019 5:02 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Hiigh School's request

I ask you to support Edgewood's request to end their Master Plan. Thanking you in advance for this support, gratefully,
Karleen Meyer, 1114 Woodland Way, Madison 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Andrew Wenborne <wenborne@ameritech.net>
Sent: Saturday, August 17, 2019 1:51 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: Edgewood High School
Subject: Support to terminate city ordinance

Dear Heather -

We are emailing you for your support to vote 'yes' to new ordinance that would allow Edgewood High School (EHS) to terminate its master plan.

As Madison residents as well as EHS alumni, we feel this ordinance is appropriate and fair to the school community.

We look forward to your vote on this important topic.

Sincerely
Michelle and Andrew Wenborne
6030 Fairfax Lane
Madison, WI 53718
608-224-1359

Stouder, Heather

From: lois.a.krantz@gmail.com
Sent: Saturday, August 17, 2019 1:46 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Dear Heather,

I am writing to ask the City Plan Commission to support and vote YES on the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan for Edgewood High School. I greatly appreciate your efforts in this matter.

Lois Krantz
8525 Blackwolf Dr.
Madison, WI 53717

Stouder, Heather

From: Thomas Frost <tomfrost1942@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 17, 2019 10:32 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Vote Yes In Support of the Ordinance to Terminate

I encourage you to vote yes on the ordinance that terminates Edgewood High School's Master Plan.

With the exception of four years in college, a short stint in the Peace Corps, an even shorter stint trashing tobacco in Kentucky, two months at Ft Knox basic training, five months in Alaska, and 13 months in Vietnam, I have lived approximately 70 years in the shadows of Edgewood High School.

I live at max four or five blocks from Edgewood and, since 1972, have been a member of Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood Association. I have a good grip on what's been going on in the neighborhood and have had nothing but good vibes from my good neighbor. Edgewood High School has been with us for more than 100 years and continues to be an outstanding neighbor and member of the Madison community.

Is periodic cheering from a few fans across the street considered noise? What about the noise from Camp Randall drifting over to residents on Breese Terrace, Lathrop St, Hoyt Street, Summit Avenue or Chadbourne Avenue? What's this about traffic and too many people? Football days at Camp Randall create more of both in this neighborhood. Too much music? I listened to Wisconsin Marching Band daily practices from my home while growing up and loved every minute of it.

My point? Edgewood's new stadium (and Camp Randall) are part of the vibrancy of the neighborhood. That's why we live here.

I urge you to allow Edgewood High School to be treated the same as other schools in the Madison area.



tomfrost1942@gmail.com

608-238-0049

2701 Gregory Street

Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Debbie Hanson <debrahanson@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 17, 2019 7:29 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

Thank u for keeping this in discussion. We r absolutely for playing sports on Edgewood field.
Thank u.
Debbie and John Hanson
534 Glenway st.
53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Mary Langenfeld <madisonfoto@att.net>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 8:06 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School's Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder:

This email is a request to have the City of Madison Plan Commission to vote **Yes** on the Mayor's proposed ordinance to terminate the Edgewood High School's Master Plan.

I have no vested interest in the school other than as a (mostly) prep sports photographer. I wholly endorse the best possible environment for student athletes, fellow students, and families.

The new field is beautiful and underutilized. The opposition is illustrated below from a "NextDoor" listserv private email exchange between Woodrow Avenue resident Teresa Nyholt and me:

Mary:

"Teresa, I am primarily a sports photographer and primarily cover prep sports. The remainder of the 35 events (other than football) are low-draw in fans, etc., and are usually played in late afternoons or on Saturdays."

Teresa Nyholt:

"I'm not sure what your point is here. 'Late afternoon' sounds like it would likely go over into our dinner, still using the sound system, the score board buzzer that sounds like a car alarm, whistles and have a crowd, albeit lower perhaps. We can hear when there are 5 people laughing and yelling on the field playing frisbee. Every game played comes into our house with nothing to buffer it, even with all the windows and doors closed."

Five people playing Frisbee disturbs their dinner. For what it's worth, I did not respond to Nyholt.

The **Wisconsin State Journal** editorial of December 19, 2018 ("Let the Kids Play Under the Lights") reflects my stance. Please support the move forward to build the proposed new stadium.

Mary Langenfeld

Mary Langenfeld Photo
Tel. 608.233.9938 Cell: 608.334.1375
<http://www.langenfeld-photo.com>

Stouder, Heather

From: Dennis McKinley <dennismckinley45@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 7:52 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Master Plan Termination

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I am writing to ask you to vote YES in support of the termination of the Master Plan of Edgewood High School of the Sacred Heart. It was a shame that Edgewood should be "punished" for having submitted a voluntary Master Plan and that, although the University of Wisconsin submitted a voluntary Master Plan, the two institutions are being treated differently when virtually the same language is used to describe facilities.

Thank you for considering my request.

Dennis R. McKinley
3730 Frosted Leaf Dr.
Madison, WI 53719-6245
(608) 497-0143

DENNISRMCKINLEY45@GMAIL.COM

Stouder, Heather

From: Lisa Anderson <lisa.anderson71@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 7:31 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Support for Edgewood

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I'd like to express my support of Edgewood HS's full use of their athletic facilities. Athletic events are community-builders and something expected to occur at a high school. I find it somewhat ridiculous that the neighbors surrounding the school would deny the school the opportunity to do the most standard of school activities- host athletic practices and competitions. These are kids having good clean fun, getting physical activity, learning about setting goals and working hard to achieve them, the value of discipline and teamwork- all lifelong skills. I have a VERY hard time believing someone who chooses to live in one the city's most central neighborhoods, conveniently located near Camp Randall and one of the city's main routes is that troubled by the sounds and lights associated with high school sporting competitions. That is part of the territory that comes with living in that location. Let the kids play. My kids go to West High so I have no horse in this race. My kids would give anything to be able to have adequate athletic facilities on their school campus. It is maddening and nonsensical to me that a high school with facilities our school community would kill to have would sit there unused. Thank you in advance for voting "Yes" to nullify Edgewood High Schools master plan. I hope you support efforts to let the school use the beautiful facilities they have. Thank you for listening.

Lisa Anderson

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Gordon Enderle <genderle@me.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 7:03 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood Athletic Field

I support Edgewood High School's desire to be able to use their athletic facilities in a manner commensurate with other city schools - which would include hosting high school athletic events on its campus. Please vote yes on August 26 in support of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan and return to the standard Campus Institutional zoning.

Gordon Enderle
2111 Adams Street
Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Steve Rothering <sjrothering@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 4:24 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoohs.org
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder:

I would like to encourage you to vote "YES" in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood Master Plan that will be presented soon before the Madison Plan Commission. Your support in this first step is crucial to allowing Edgewood the opportunities that all other high schools in the city have regarding use of their fields and facilities.

Sincerely,
Steve Rothering
7118 Sawmill Rd
Madison, WI 53717

Stouder, Heather

From: Marsha Gahagan <marsha.gahagan@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 4:11 PM
To: Stouder, Heather

I am NOT in support of terminating the Edgewood master plan. Please vote NO.
Marsha Gahagan 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Gerardo Jimenez <madisonhomes@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 2:05 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood Athletic Field

Hello Heather,

I am requesting that you support Edgewood and its attempts to improve the Athletic Field. Please do so by helping remove Edgewood's master plan and by not supporting the proposed modification to the current zoning code. I believe these improvements will enhance our community and I believe we must continue to improve all Madison Schools for the benefit of all students.

Thank you for your support - Best,
Gerardo

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Gerardo Jimenez

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Stouder, Heather

From: THOMAS G TIERNEY <ttierney@wisc.edu>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 11:04 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

Ms Stouder,

I have been a lifelong Madison resident and, in fact, have lived within a 3 block radius of the Edgewood campus my entire life.

I concur strongly with the proposal for Edgewood and the City to terminate the Master Plan. I believe that is an excellent step to hopefully begin the healing process between the High School and the neighborhood. I urge that you support termination.

Thanks for your consideration.

Tom Tierney
1010 Harrison St.
Madison, WI 53711

Thomas G. Tierney
1010 Harrison St.
Madison, WI 53711
608-577-8260
ttierney@wisc.edu

Stouder, Heather

From: Jay Sekelsky <jayrsekelsky@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 10:48 AM
To: Stouder, Heather; info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood High School Ordinance to terminate Master Plan

Good morning Ms. Stouder

I am writing to you to express my support for the ordinance that Mayor Rhodes-Conway has put forth to terminate EHS's master plan. Please vote YES in support of this ordinance so that EHS student athletes can play games on their home field.

Thanks.

Jay Sekelsky
6018 N Highlands Ave
Madison, WI 53705

Stouder, Heather

From: Stephen J Zwettler <steve.zwettler@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 9:45 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: Zwettler, Christopher
Subject: Vote Yes To Terminate Edgewood's Master Plan

Ms. Heather Stouder,

I urge you to vote Yes! in support of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School's Master Plan.

Edgewood has been a significant asset to the city for decades by educating high school students, not only intellectually, but by fostering values of compassion, service, justice and spirituality. Athletics are a major part of their education program. They deserve to be able to improve their athletic field by building a new seating facility. It seems to me that persons who purchase a home in a high school neighborhood should expect more energy, activity and, yes, noise, than in your normal neighborhood. Edgewood has worked hard to be a good neighbor. I urge you to let them upgrade their athletic field.

Sincerely
Steve Zwettler

Stephen J. Zwettler
Chaplain
5101 Marathon Dr.
Madison, WI. 53705
608-338-5439

*"Be gentle with everyone, for everyone carries a heavy burden."
Origen*

Stouder, Heather

From: Karls, Bill A. <Bill.Karls@cunamutual.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 8:36 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Please vote YES to Terminate the Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,

We understand that the City Plan Commission will be voting soon in regard to the stadium at Edgewood High School.

My wife and I are Madison residents with an incoming freshman new to EHS. We feel strongly that our son, an athlete, be allowed to play organized/lighted/loudspeaker-announced games and attend events on this field the same as other area high school students on their own "turf."

It is our understanding that the City of Madison invited EHS to terminate its Master Plan and return to the standard Campus Institutional Zoning, which would place our school on equal footing with other high schools.

We encourage to vote YES on this matter when it comes up for review. YES, we would like to see you vote for EHS returning to the CI zoning.

Thank you for your time, your efforts, and your consideration.

Very best,

Bill Karls
6 Chippewa Court
Madison, WI 53711
608-852-6738

Stouder, Heather

From: Steve Merckx <sjmerckx@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 7:47 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Redaction of Edgewood HS Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I am writing today to ask for you to approve allowing Edgewood HS to terminate their Master Plan with the city's Planning Commission. I had attended the entire meeting last month where the city had made the recommendation for the school to simply terminate the plan to allow things to "go back to" how they have always been. No new stadium, lights, or sound which could be a hot button item with the neighborhood residents. Simply a return to allowing the kids to play a few games at home in front of their friends and families as has been done for decades. I think it is inherently right and fair for this school to be treated the same as the other public high schools and the university in Madison. I thank you in advance for your support at the upcoming Planning Commission meeting.

Sincerely,

Steven Merckx
Madison, WI 53717

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Stouder, Heather

From: Annie Levihn <annieolevihn@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 8:19 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Please vote YES to Terminate the Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,

We understand that the City Plan Commission will be voting soon in regard to the stadium at Edgewood High School.

My husband and I are Madison residents with an incoming freshman new to EHS. We feel strongly that our son, an athlete, be allowed to play organized/lighted/loudspeaker-announced games and attend events on this field the same as other area high school students on their own "turf."

It is our understanding that the City of Madison invited EHS to terminate its Master Plan and return to the standard Campus Institutional Zoning, which would place our school on equal footing with other high schools.

We encourage to vote YES on this matter when it comes up for review. YES, we would like to see you vote for EHS returning to the CI zoning.

Thank you for your time, your efforts, and your consideration.

Very best,

Ann Levihn & Bill Karls
6 Chippewa Court
Madison, WI 53711
608-577-7644

Stouder, Heather

From: Michael Varda <vardam-33@uwalumni.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 4:31 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org; Michael Varda
Subject: Ordinance for Termination of Edgewood Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder:

As I indicated in separate e-mails to the Mayor and my alder, Shiva Bidar, I am supporting terminating the Edgewood Master Plan. Edgewood needs flexibility to carry out its education mission, which includes sporting events on its long-owned land on Monroe St. I have lived 42 years two blocks west of Camp Randall, and the issue of game days at the stadium, for all the music, traffic, tailgating, and more, far exceed anything likely to be caused by Edgewood games. The UW has managed game days and Edgewood should have no problem with a far smaller audience. There are only 7 game days out of 365 days per year; normality comes back the next day. The complaining neighbors are unreasonably trying to block Edgewood's fair and efficient use of its facility and lands. The complaints smack of nimbyism more than anything else.

Thanks
Mike Varda
1724 Hoyt Street.

Stouder, Heather

From: Don Imhoff <imhoffd1@charter.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 4:08 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Athletics

Let's do what's right and get Edgewood High School on a level playing field!!!
Thanks, Don Imhoff

Stouder, Heather

From: Jenniffer Madson <jjmadson@charter.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 4:00 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Support Ordinance to Terminate Edgewood High School Master plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,
Please vote yes to support the ordinance that will terminate the Edgewood High School Master Plan.
Gratefully,
Jeff and Jenniffer Madson
former EHS parents

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Franz Keilhauer <fkeilhauer@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 3:34 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate.

Please consider voting in favor to terminate the Master plan and allow EHS to pursue hosting athletic events on its athletic field.

Please vote **yes** to support the ordinance to terminate the MASTER Plan.

Franz Keilhauer
1801 Monroe Street
Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Bryan C. Esch <bce@dewittllp.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 3:09 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org; Bryan C. Esch
Subject: Edgewood Proposal

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I ask the Plan Commission to support Mayor Rhodes-Conway's proposal sponsoring Edgewood High School's request to terminate its Master Plan to enable it to continue to host athletic contest on its athletic field as it has done for more than 90 years. This will benefit numerous Edgewood students, parents, and staff and those of our opponent schools. Please do not let a small, vocal minority of unreasonable neighbors act as a veto for reasonable proposals that will benefit so many.

Edgewood has consistently been a good neighbor and active member of the Madison community and Edgewood students, alumni and supporters are active participants in making Madison a better place through their Dominican values of Trust, Justice, Partnership and Community. This request will only place Edgewood on equal footing with the public high schools in Madison.

Edgewood has worked tirelessly to address reasonable and unreasonable requests from its neighbors and it is now time to allow it to play games on its athletic fields and to permit reasonable improvements to its facilities similar to improvements at public high school facilities (all of which are located in residential neighborhoods).

Sincerely,

Bryan Esch
Parent of Alex and Maggie Esch (Edgewood Students)

Stouder, Heather

From: Kristen Flesch <kdflesch@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 3:00 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Dear Ms. Stouder -

Please please please encourage the City Plan Commission to **Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate the master plan for Edgewood High School.**

I urge you to support this and enable full use of the athletic field, including playing of official games and installing lights, as all other High Schools are allowed to do.

Thank you, Kristen Flesch
Madison (53705)

Stouder, Heather

From: Astor Garcia <astorgarcia2@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 2:22 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Hi Ms. Strouder,

I am writing to you and asking the Plan Commission to Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood High School Master Plan.

Sincerely,

Astor Garcia

Stouder, Heather

From: Jane DeWees <jsddewees@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 1:16 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Ordinance

Please have the Planning Committee vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate.

Thank you
Jane Sennett DeWees
Edgewood class of 1979

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Kathy Peterson <kapeterson@cuna.coop>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 1:12 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: EHS stadium

Dear Heather,

As Madison City Planning Director, I urge you to Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan. Both of my children attended EHS, and my son played football for EHS. It is time that the stadium situation improves and that Edgewood and its students are treated the same as other schools in the Madison area. Those students deserve better than this.

Thank you again for your consideration and support.

Sincerely,

Kathy Peterson
7945 W Oakbrook Circle
Madison, WI 53717

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Stouder, Heather

From: Mike Kafka <KafkaM@firstweber.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 1:00 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: In support of Edgewood

Dear Heather,

My name is Mike Kafka. I live in Madison in the 53711 zip code area. My home is in the 2200 block of Keyes Avenue, two blocks over from Edgewood High School. I have been in the same house for 32 years. I have no connection to Edgewood, but I'm writing to let you know that I totally support its efforts to hold competitive athletic games, including night games on its field. There are many others in the neighborhood who, although not as vocal as the minority No Stadium Group, also support Edgewood.

I understand that the Mayor has introduced an ordinance to allow Edgewood to terminate its Master Plan. I am writing to urge the Plan Commission to vote Yes in support of the ordinance to terminate. Many generations of Edgewood students would benefit by this action.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mike Kafka

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Stouder, Heather

From: MICHAEL STUART <mstuart2210@me.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 12:02 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Dear Ms. Stroud- I write you and the members of the Planning Commission concerning Edgewood High School (EHS) efforts to host athletic events at its own facilities. I support EHS's efforts. I urge the Planning Commission's support of EHS's proposal throughout the process in the best interests of the students.

I have lived in the same house in this neighborhood for 30 years. When you come to the neighborhood, you are aware it is comprised of, among other things, two parks, the zoo, one high school, a college, a university, a collegiate football stadium, an active retail area and an ongoing development. Simply stated, it is a dynamic urban neighborhood. EHS has been a good neighbor over the years. Please support the interests of its students.

MICHAEL STUART
mstuart2210@me.com
608.320.1694
2024 Madison St. 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Cathy Wendorf <cathywendorf@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 11:06 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

My husband and I both support changing the Master plan to allow Edgewood to use its athletic field for games. This is an athletic field, not a stadium as everyone is making it out to be. Adding more bleachers won't make it a stadium either. Also, this is a busy and vital area of the city that already has traffic and noise. Please don't allow a few vocal critics to control this conversation and prevent use of this amazing asset in the neighborhood. Would they fight building a new school too?

Cathy and Jeff Wendorf

Sent from my iPad

Stouder, Heather

From: Thomas Terry <tetly@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 11:02 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

Please vote yes on the motion submitted by Edgewood High School to eliminate their Master plan.
Tom Terry

Stouder, Heather

From: Tony Walton <md1twal3@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 10:36 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Master Plan Termination

Dear Ms. Stouder -

I'm contacting you to encourage your "yes" vote in favor of terminating the current Master Plan for the athletic facility at Edgewood High School. The athletic field there is one of the best in the city and the school is deserving of the same opportunity to utilize it for competition just as all other schools in the city utilize their facility. Thank you for your anticipated support and I look forward to the positive progress toward appropriate agreement and approval.

Respectfully,

Tony Walton
5844 Pond Rd.
Madison, WI 53718

Stouder, Heather

From: P Wehrle <pcwehrle@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 10:12 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Please Do NOT Support the Edgewood Stadium project

Dear Planning Commission Members - I am writing to ask that you DO NOT SUPPORT the Edgewood Stadium project. The proposed stadium is simply too close to households and would render them unlivable; reducing quality of life and home value for residents.

What Edgewood is asking for is un-neighborly. No one should have to put up with a new development that promises 80 nights of bright lights and blaring noise blasting into their house.

Edgewood has other options and they have the money to exercise them, yet they have chosen a path of massive resistance, targeting neighbors for harassment and even vandalizing property. Edgewood can play sports anywhere, but we only have one neighborhood and the immediate neighbors only have one home to live in.

Please DO NOT SUPPORT this project and encourage Edgewood to come back to the negotiating table to find a solution that works for everyone.

Thank You,

petey lawrence-wehrle
3310 Cross St,
Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: zaccai lewis <zaccai04@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 10:08 AM
To: Stouder, Heather; All Alders
Subject: Edgewood campus master plan

Hi to Plan Commission and Alders,
below is a statement passed by the Greenbush Neighborhood Council earlier this week that we feel should go to the commission:

The Greenbush Neighborhood Council of the Greenbush Neighborhood Association is concerned that the proposed termination of the Edgewood Campus Master Plan, a plan which was developed in a transparent and rigorous process over considerable time among key stakeholders, would do disservice to that process and could undermine public trust in similar processes in the future. To respect this past process and to maintain integrity in public process moving forward, the GNC requests that proposed changes to what is stipulated in the Edgewood Campus Master Plan be made through amendments rather than through revocation of the entire plan.

Thanks for disseminating this and your consideration,
Greenbush Neighborhood Council

Stouder, Heather

From: Amy Torgerson <jatorgerson@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 10:06 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,

Please vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate.

Sincerely,
Amy Torgerson
Fitchburg, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Haas, Lisa <lisa.haas@qopc.org>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 10:05 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Support EHS Ordinance

Dear Heather Stouder,

Please vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School's Master Plan and return to Campus Institutional zoning, so that they can enjoy the same rights as the other Madison high schools. Edgewood High School has been a Madison institution for over 150 years. They have the space and the means to host athletic events on their home campus and should be respectfully allowed to do so.

Thank you.

Lisa Haas, EHS Class of 1978
34 Whitcomb Circle, Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Johnson, Katie E <KELLIOTT@amfam.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 10:05 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Vote YES to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan!

Dear Heather,

I understand Mayor Rhodes-Conway introduced the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan at the last Common Council meeting. As an Edgewood alumni, I appreciate her help and support in this matter. I am writing today to ask for the Plan Commission to vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan. Voting yes will allow Edgewood to be treated the same as other schools in the Madison area. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Katie

Katie E. Johnson | Tournament Manager

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Stouder, Heather

From: Charles's <charleso@charter.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 9:26 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder

As a life-long Madison resident I encourage you to vote yes to the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood Master Plan.

My name is Ann Olson, Madison, WI, 53593 (Verona mailing address, but in city of Madison).

Thank You,
Ann Olson

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Ellen Hughes <hughesfamily98@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 9:05 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Termination of Master Plan - Edgewood HS

Good morning Ms. Stouder -

I am writing to ask for your support of the termination of the Master Plan for Edgewood High School. This will allow Edgewood to be on an equal playing field (pun completely intended) with other Madison schools. The students, their families, the dedicated school administrators and staff, and the community as a whole deserve this. The current restrictions on the use of beautiful athletic field do not make sense and should not be allowed to continue simply because a small minority of Madison citizens do not want change. Quite honestly, not only is the opposition from a small number of residents, but their stance is based completely in self-interest and closed to reason.

Edgewood is a gracious and committed community partner. **Your vote of YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate is of critical importance and would be greatly appreciated by so many.**

Thank you,
Ellen and Joel Hughes
701 Rodefeld Way
Madison, WI

Stouder, Heather

From: Terri Wiedenbeck <terriwied@tds.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 8:57 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood high school

Please vote yes in support of the ordinance to terminate the master plan and allow Edgewood to be treated the same as other schools in the Madison area Mary Terri Wiedenbeck Madison wi 53711 Sent from my iPad

Stouder, Heather

From: tim prince <timprince99@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 8:36 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder

I am writing in support of the Mayor's recently introduced ordinance to terminate the current Master plan for Edgewood High School. I urge the Plan Commission to vote yes on this ordinance and enable full use of the athletic field, including playing of official games and installing lights.

I am the President of the Westside Lacrosse Club. We are a non-profit club that supports youth and high-school lacrosse athletes for all of the west side of Madison. We have approximately 150-160 boys and girls each year who participate in our club from public schools as well as Edgewood, including high school students from Madison West and Madison Memorial. Edgewood High School has been a wonderful partner for us in providing access to their facilities. This is especially important given that Madison Schools have been unable to do so. We have been playing lacrosse games on the turf field these past few years and would experience a significant disruption in our activities if we were no longer able to hold games on the field. Further, as we are frequently limited in our field time due to short daylight in the spring, lights at the field would allow more field time and thus more kids' athletic activity.

We fully support the change in the Master Plan to allow standard, regular, community-wide benefit from full use of the field to include playing games and installing lights.

Thank you for your support.

Tim Prince
202 Acadia Drive,
Madison, WI 53717
608-852-3520
Westside Lacrosse Club President

Stouder, Heather

From: Betty Seymour <bfitzseymour@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 8:10 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Ordinance

Please vote yes on the ordinance to terminate,
A discrimination suit against the city would not be in anyones best interest and I fear the city would lose same if initiated.

Stouder, Heather

From: Larry Haas <larryjhaas@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 8:06 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Heather,

As a graduate of Edgewood High School and an athlete at the school, please **Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate.**

Larry Haas
Edgewood High School Class of 1975 (Football, Basketball and Baseball athlete)

Stouder, Heather

From: Colleen Murphy <colleen4101@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 7:20 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood HS

Please vote YES for the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan for Edgewood High School's field.

Gratefully,
Colleen A Murphy

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: amy caulum <acaulum1_@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 7:18 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org

Please vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School's Master Plan.

Thank you,
Amy Caulum

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: amy caulum <acaulum1_@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 15, 2019 7:17 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs

Please vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School's Master Plan.

Thank you,
Amy Caulum

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Ben Strickland <benstrickland3@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:03 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Ordinance

Heather,

I am emailing you to ask the Plan Commission to Vote Yes in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate.

As a Madison resident and current coach at Edgewood that works with these young people, I can speak to the character of the kids we have at Edgewood. I truly believe the ability for Edgewood to have home games at their field and make modifications to their field will only in the long run be a space that will bring the community together.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Best,
Ben Strickland

Stouder, Heather

From: Jim Albrecht <jimsleepy@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 9:04 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School field usage restrictions

Miss Stouder,

As the Dad of an Edgewood High School alumnus who played football and had to travel to different sites around the city despite having a football field on their own school property, I have been following the interactions between Edgewood High School and the neighborhood and city. This is a very important issue for the students and community of EHS who continue to be a very good neighbor in the Dudgeon-Monroe neighborhood. I would strongly encourage you to vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate. Please feel free to contact me to discuss this issue further.

Thank you,
Jim Albrecht

Stouder, Heather

From: mike c <mikecary1@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 8:45 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Please vote Yes in support of Edgewood

Heather Stouder,
Please vote YES in support of Mayor Rhodes-Conway's introduced ordinance to end Edgewood HS master plan to put them on equal footing with other area schools and end the discriminatory practice against Edgewood. Thank you.
Mike Cary

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Meg Sviatoslavsky <megsviatoslavsky@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 8:24 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Please vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood High School Master Plan

Please vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood High School Master Plan.

My husband and I feel that any and all high school games and practices should be allowed on the grounds at Edgewood High school and that the neighborhood is putting undue hardship on everyone including themselves in this matter. We believe our school deserves to have home fields for all sports like any other area high school. Our school is much smaller than many of the area schools and we do not believe the size of the crowds at any of the sporting events will create an over abundance of crowding, noise, and any other environmental issue that the neighborhood might be concerned about. Please help put an end to the stalling and let the kids play.

Thank you,
Meg and Andy Sviatoslavsky
17 Schlough Ct
Madison, WI 53717

Stouder, Heather

From: cardinalmark@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 7:50 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; INFO@EDGEWOODHS.ORG
Subject: VOTING YES!!

I am voting yes in support of the ordinance to terminate!! Mark Collins (Class of 1977)

Stouder, Heather

From: Robin Lewis <robin3567@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 7:31 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood High School

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I am an Edgewood High School parent. I am sending this email to ask you to please vote Yes in support of the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan. On behalf of primarily the students at Edgewood, I give my sincerest thanks in advance for this support.

Sincerely,
Robin Lewis

Sent from Robin's iPad

Stouder, Heather

From: ashartlieb@tds.net
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 7:24 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Athletic Field

Heather,

I am writing you today to ask for your support of the Mayor's ordinance to terminate the master plan of the the Edgewood High School Athletic Field. I believe this high school field should be zoned as all other school fields in the city and surrounding areas.

Thank you-
Amy

Stouder, Heather

From: Steve Erbach <4erbachs@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 7:15 PM
To: Stouder, Heather

I am appalled that Edgewood is threatening to sue the city based on religion. I attended Edgewood and live in the neighborhood. if west high school was proposing building a stadium and hosting numerous sporting events that neighborhood would also have issues. same for east high school. Edgewood is not alone in having limited ability to host events. it has nothing to do with being a private catholic school. that said...I would support day time events and a limited number of evening events like Friday night football games. they held some day events last spring and though I live near the opposite end of the campus it was loud enough for me to clearly understand what the announcer was saying.

Stouder, Heather

From: ANN M CHAMBERS <amchambe@wisc.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 6:13 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Athletic Field

I am writing today to ask the City Plan Commission to Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan and return to the standard Campus Institutional zoning, which would place it on equal footing with other high schools. It seems ridiculous to me that Edgewood has a beautiful field right beside the school which cannot be used for actual games because neighbors think it too noisy. This is unfair to the students and supporters of Edgewood athletics. Edgewood did not just appear on Monroe Street - I attended Edgewood from '59-'63. The neighbors who are so opposed to this should have considered this situation before moving next to a high school. It's like living next to the airport then complaining about noise from airplanes! The "noisy vocal minority" needs to consider the students and supporters and their rights. This is such a positive form of entertainment and holding it on Edgewood's own field is a right I feel definitely needs to happen. Thank you!
Ann Chambers

Stouder, Heather

From: Dave Arnold <DArnold@irgens.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 5:36 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Plan Commission c/o Heather Stouder,

Please vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood Master Plan.

Thank you for your attention regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

**Dave Arnold
2517 Ryeland Street
Fitchburg, WI 53711**

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Stouder, Heather

From: Joseph W. Boucher <jboucher@neiderboucher.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 5:29 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School master plan

Dear Ms Stouder,

Please support the ordinance to terminate the high school' master plan in the Plan Commission.

I would be happy to answer any and all questions that you may have.

We live at 6318 Landfall Drive 5370. I can be reached on my cell at 608-345-5370 at any time to discuss.

Thx

Take Care,

Joseph W. Boucher

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Stouder, Heather

From: DAVID WORZALA <worzala@ameritech.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 4:41 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: NOT in favor of Edgewood expansion plans for athletics

Per Edgewood's email blast requesting help:

I am NOT IN FAVOR of Edgewood expansion for athletics or termination of their master plan, whatever they are calling this.

My children are Edgewood alumni and I formerly lived about 5 blocks from campus. I like Edgewood!

However, I do not feel that EHS needs this expansion nor do I think it is beneficial for the neighborhood. The future is not football and the harm it will do to the neighborhood far outweighs any minimal real benefit to the school.

Thank you. Julie Worzala

Stouder, Heather

From: Dan DeChant <d.dechant@sevillegear.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 4:29 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate.

Edgewood needs a home field.

Thank you!

Dan DeChant
Madison 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Julie Schmidt <julieschmidt@tds.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 4:14 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Dear Heather.

We are writing to ask the City Plan Commission to Vote Yes in support of the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan and return to the standard CI zoning.

Thank you.
Rick and Julie Schmidt
1809 Pineview Drive
Verona, WI 53593.

(We live in the City of Madison on the far West side but have a Verona mailing address.).

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Justin Rossow <justinrossow@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 3:57 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

Do the right thing and get Edgewoods' students playing on their home field.

Stouder, Heather

From: Amy Squitieri <amy.squitieri@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 3:54 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: EHS field

Hello, I encourage the commission to Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate.

**Thanks
Amy**

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Amy Squitieri
amy.squitieri@gmail.com
608-220-8301

Stouder, Heather

From: Nory Koziar <nkoziar@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 3:45 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Please vote YES on the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan and allow competitive sports to be played on its home field. We are tired of years of “negotiating “ with neighbors who keep putting up obstacles to prevent fair and equal policies of all city schools. The city should realize what a gem the school is and not make it more difficult to maintain enrollment. Maybe the neighbors would rather have the new jail or low income housing there? Thank you! Nory and Paul Koziar

Sent from my iPad

Stouder, Heather

From: Gene Dellinger <g_dellinger@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 3:25 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

I am emailing today asking the Plan Commission to vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate.

Thank you,

Sandy Dellinger

Stouder, Heather

From: Barbara Falk <cfalk@charter.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 3:20 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewood.org
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

Dear Heather,

As a proud 1963 graduate of Edgewood High School I urge you to vote “yes” to terminate Edgewood’s Master Plan and return to CI zoning.

Thank you,
Barbara Falk

Barb Falk

Stouder, Heather

From: Courtney Weis <ccw_1@charter.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 3:13 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School's master plan

Please vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School's master plan.

Thank you,

Courtney Weis

Stouder, Heather

From: Tracy Schmotzer <t19w73@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 3:11 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: City plan Commission

Hello

Please vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood master plan.
Thank you very much!

Tracy Schmotzer
4718 Ames street
Madison

Sent from my iPad

Stouder, Heather

From: Jane Clark <jclark@le-hrlaw.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 2:58 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: Jane Clark
Subject: Support of Edgewood

Ms. Stouder:

As a mother of a graduated Edgewood High School student-athlete, a current student-athlete and a future student-athlete, I am writing to encourage your support of the ordinance to terminate EHS's Master plan. The entire EHS community at large hopes the Plan Commission will vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan to allow EHS's field upgrades.

We want our EHS students to be able to fully utilize our fields by being able to play home games both during the day and at night, like virtually every other high school.

Thank you for your consideration.

Thank you,

Jane D. Clark
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Stouder, Heather

From: JoJean M. Murphy <jxm@dewittllp.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 2:57 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Football Field

Good afternoon,

I am sending this email to ask you to vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate to allow our kids to play football at their own school!!

Thank you,

Tim and JoJean Murphy
Parents of EHS student Shane Murphy

Please note that I have a new email address

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Stouder, Heather

From: jimannepan@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 2:50 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood High School

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I am writing to voice my support for the athletic upgrades at Edgewood High School. I ask the Plan Commission to please vote yes in support of the ordinance to terminate.

Thank you,
Anne Pankratz
Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: AIMEE ARNOLDUSSEN <aarnoldussen@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 2:45 PM
To: Furman, Keith; Stouder, Heather
Subject: Let Edgewood play!

Let the Edgewood teams play on their athletic field. The small vocal minority are being unreasonable, especially as compared to other inside-the-city high schools and their athletic field use. Homeowners know when buying their house/property how the neighborhood is used and Edgewood is not suggesting doing anything that is not already done by public schools in the area. The neighborhood also gets lots of uncharged benefits from Edgewood including use of open space, setting for farmers market, etc... Edgewood is negotiating in good faith - I hope the city investigates this issue and rule not on emotion but upon facts.

I live at 1802 Camelot Dr. in Madison 53075.

Sincerely,
Aimee

Stouder, Heather

From: Sara Engstrand <saraengstrand@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 2:32 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood zoning vote- support a Yes to terminate

Hello Ms. Strouder,

I am emailing to let you know I support a Yes vote on proposal to terminate Edgewood's master plan and instead zone the school property as Campus Institution.

I am not an Edgewood alumni or parent- just a homeowner in 53711 zip. It seems like a clean, fair solution to have all Madison schools with same zoning and rules.

Sara Engstrand
4206 Wanetah Trail

Sent from my mobile.

Stouder, Heather

From: Susan VanderSanden <SVanderSanden@edgewood.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 2:01 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Plan Commission Support for Termination of Edgewood Schools Master Plan

Hello Ms. Stouder,

I wanted to write to thank you for your consideration and to request that you support the termination of the Master Plan for the Edgewood Schools. I chair the Liaison Committee meetings between the Edgewood Schools, Vilas Neighborhood and Dudgeon-Monroe Neighborhood. We see the termination of the Master Plan to be very beneficial to all parties included, and will plan to continue with the Liaison Committee meetings and to be good neighbors, as we feel we have always been, to both of the Neighborhood Associations. We look forward to a partnership with Alderman Tag Evers, and both neighborhoods to ensure we can continue our dialogue, and the success of all entities.

Thank you for your time and considerations,

Susan VanderSanden
Director of Facilities Operations
Edgewood College
608.663.2355

Stouder, Heather

From: Pete Rothering <peterothering@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 1:08 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I am writing in support of Edgewood High School and to encourage the Plan Commission to vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan. I believe that if viewed with a fair and reasonable eye, this is the only way to look at this and I hope that you will agree. Thank you for your time and effort regarding this matter.

Sincerely,
Pete Rothering

Stouder, Heather

From: Scott Quincey <quincey@edgewoodk8.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 12:40 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Please Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan

Heather Stouder,

Please encourage the City Plan Commission to support the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood's Master Plan introduced by the Mayor by voting yes. I have taught at Edgewood Campus School for the past 21 years. In the past I have coached sports at Edgewood High School. Edgewood deserves to be treated like other schools in the Madison area.

Thank you for listening and for your support.

Scott Quincey

Stouder, Heather

From: Fruhling, William
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 12:12 PM
To: Evers, Tag; Stouder, Heather
Cc: Parks, Timothy; Firchow, Kevin; Ethington, Ruth; Kurtz, Abbie
Subject: RE: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

Ald. Evers-

I am cc'ing Plan Commission staff to ensure that the Commissioners receive the email. Thanks,

-Bill



William A. Fruhling, AICP
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Neighborhood Planning, Preservation + Design Section

Department of Planning + Community + Economic Development
Planning Division
215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.; Suite 017
PO Box 2985
Madison WI 53701-2985
Email: bfruhling@cityofmadison.com Phone: 608.267.8736

From: Evers, Tag <district13@cityofmadison.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:44 AM
To: Stouder, Heather <HStouder@cityofmadison.com>; Fruhling, William <WFruhling@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Fw: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

Dear Bill,

I note that not all Plan Commission members were copied in this email.

Thanks.

Tag Evers

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From: MBK <mbk_kef@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 10:15 AM
To: ajstatz2@madison.k12.wi.us; bacantrell@charter.net; erics@cows.org; jshagenow@yahoo.com; klanespencer@uwalumni.com; Lemmer, Lindsay; Rummel, Marsha; hiwayman@chorus.net; Heck, Patrick
Cc: Evers, Tag; No New Stadium Info
Subject: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

Dear Members of the Madison Plan Commission,

On August 26th, you will consider repealing the CI zoning master plan for the Edgewood Campus (College, High School and Campus School). I am writing to request that you DO NOT repeal the Master Plan.

The city's master plan process established Edgewood's 10-year plan, negotiated in good faith with multiple stakeholders. If Edgewood did not mean what is in the plan, or if they now want to change something in it, they should be required to go through the designated amendment process. They should not be allowed to dismiss their commitments to the neighborhood and city.

I appreciate your consideration,

Bruce King
873 Terry Place
Madison
609-238-8005

Stouder, Heather

From: Theresa Gardocki <Theresa@drgardocki.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:51 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: EHS MASTER PLAN

Please support the agreement to terminate the master plan Edgewood voluntarily submitted so athletics can be played on an athletic field

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Stouder, Heather

From: Flesch, Patrick <PFlesch@gflesch.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:47 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood HS Upgrade Proposal

Hi Heather –

Just a quick note to please consider voting YES for the Edgewood HS Upgrades in support of the Ordinance to terminate.

Thank you,
Patrick Flesch

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Stouder, Heather

From: Evers, Tag
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:44 AM
To: Stouder, Heather; Fruhling, William
Subject: Fw: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

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Thanks.

Tag Evers

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From: MBK <mbk_kef@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 10:15 AM
To: ajstatz2@madison.k12.wi.us; bacantrell@charter.net; erics@cows.org; jshagenow@yahoo.com; klanespencer@uwalumni.com; Lemmer, Lindsay; Rummel, Marsha; hiwayman@chorus.net; Heck, Patrick
Cc: Evers, Tag; No New Stadium Info
Subject: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

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I appreciate your consideration,

Bruce King
873 Terry Place
Madison
609-238-8005

Stouder, Heather

From: Stacey Sanders <stacey.sanders90@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:21 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Ordinance to Terminate Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,

Please vote yes in support of the ordinance for Edgewood High School to terminate its Master Plan so that we can return to standard Campus Institutional zoning. We believe we should be on equal footing with other Madison high schools, and terminating our current Master Plan would promote equal treatment.

As a parent of two Edgewood high school graduates, a current student, and two future students, we value the freedom to compete and spectate on our home field. Doing so builds community and would ultimately enhance the stewardship of Edgewood's local neighborhood.

Thank you for your support,
Stacey Sanders

Stouder, Heather

From: Karie Krantz <kariekrantz@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 10:43 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Please vote YES for Edgewood!

Dear Heather,

I am writing in support of terminating the Master Plan at Edgewood High School to allow athletic events to be played on their home field. PLEASE vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan. This issue has gone on long enough and it is silly to be arguing over whether or not KIDS can be playing SPORTS on their home athletic field in a world filled with so much hate/violence/obesity.....I lose sleep over this! As a resident of the Vilas neighborhood, I not only believe a thriving Edgewood community is good for our neighborhood and the city of Madison, I also believe it is the right of the Edgewood students and community to be treated the same as every other high school in Madison.

Thank you very much for your time,
Karie Krantz
1715 Adams St | Madison

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Karie Krantz
Executive Regional
Vice President
kariekrantz@gmail.com
(608) 469-1577

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Stouder, Heather

From: Heinrichs Lisa A <LHeinrichs@uwhealth.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 10:39 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Vote YES!

Dear Heather,

I am writing to ask that the City of Madison Plan Commission vote YES to the ordinance that would allow Edgewood High School to terminate their Master Plan.

As a life long resident of Madison, I hope the Plan Commission will seriously consider the best interest of the greater good, especially the children of our great city.

Thank you!
Lisa Heinrichs

Stouder, Heather

From: Kevin Klestinski <kklestin@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 9:03 AM
To: Stouder, Heather; Kevin Klestinski
Subject: Edgewood High School - Termination of Master Plan

Ms. Stouder,

I am sending you a note asking for your, and the Common Councils, support (YES VOTE) of the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood High School Master plan.

I now have a student attending Edgewood high school this year as a freshman. This dispute has gone on long enough. I understand the neighbor's concerns, but they chose to live near a school so that has its own set of issues and one of them is an athletic field and games being played on it. I coached at Edgewood for 10 years and not once did a neighbor come and tell us to stop.

I believe this issue really revolves around the lights, but if you look at neighboring communities like Oregon, Stoughton, Madison Memorial, Waunakee, Madison La Follette, Monona Grove, Middleton, Verona etc....they all have lighted venues next to residential homes and there is NO public outcry of how terrible it is to live there. Are there some that do not like it, of course, but they live with it for the less than 50 days a year the lights are actually on.

The real frustration for me is with Madison's own support of Breeze Stevens field where it seems that there can't be enough renovation to that facility that are even greater than what Edgewood is proposing yet the CITY and COMMUNITY are embracing those changes and it seems they are allowing the neighborhood to oppose Edgewood's efforts to put itself on par with most of the high schools in the CITY and area.

I also take offense to the comments by some neighbors that Edgewood is just a bunch of rich kids....40% of the students there are some sort of financial aid. There are "rich" kids at Memorial and West too, but that does not seem to make headlines either. Also, the home prices in that area would allow one to assume that the neighbors in that area are doing pretty well for themselves when the average home price is well over \$400,000 in the Monroe Street Area.

This has gone on long enough. All Edgewood is asking for is to put on par with all of the other schools by withdrawing their master plan and allowing them to play games and put up a proper facility just like at LaFollette and Memorial...no more, no less.

Thank you for your considering Edgewood's proposal.

Sincerely,

Kevin Klestinski
7335 Arctic Fox Drive
Madison WI

Stouder, Heather

From: James H. Hegenbarth <jhegenbarth@parkbank.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 8:07 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Termination of Edgewood High School Master Plan

Heather –

Please consider supporting the Mayor in her ordinance to terminate the Master Plan for EHS. EHS is only asking to be treated equally to the other Madison High School's. Student athletes deserve to play games on their home fields, regardless whether they attend a public or private institution.

Thank you for your time.

Jim

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Stouder, Heather

From: Jim Kennedy <jpatrickkennedy@netscape.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 7:33 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Improvements

Heather,

This Edgewood discussion has gone on too long. Edgewood has been a wonderful neighbor for decades. They have bent over backwards to be accommodating during this process. They host neighborhood events and have helped pay for things like the Monroe street improvement.

This reminds me of the Trader Joe's building. The minority opposition was vocal about how it would ruin the neighborhood. Now it is an asset that makes the neighborhood stronger.

Please don't let a few NIMBY neighbors block what will be a community asset and economic driver to the neighborhood.

Please vote to support these improvements.

Thank you.

Jim Kennedy
4229 Beverly Road
Madison, 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Tom Sheahan <Tom.Sheahan@bakertilly.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 7:30 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Master Plan

Dear Heather:

I am a City of Madison resident and small business owner.

I am asking that you vote YES to support the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan.

Thanks for the support.

Tom Sheahan, CPA, CCIFP
Partner



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Stouder, Heather

From: Joyce Colletti <jcoll70081@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 7:19 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood HS

Vote YES to TERMINATE the ordinance for Edgewood HS.

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Michelle Meramour <michellemeramour@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 7:17 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Vote Yes to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan Ordinance

Dear Ms. Stouder,

My son attends Edgewood High School and we think it is important that teenagers can funnel positive energy into sports. We need your support to allow Edgewood to terminate the Master Plan and allow Edgewood to be treated the same as other schools in the Madison area. Thank you for your support. With a sea of love, Michelle Meramour.

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With a sea of love,
Michelle Meramour, CA, MSOM
Educator, Author, Acupuncturist
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Stouder, Heather

From: Caroline Roe <roefamilywi@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 5:18 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Yes to terminate the Edgewood High School master plan

Dear Ms Stouder

My name is Caroline Roe and I am a 14 yr resident of Madison. I am writing to ask you to support Mayor Rhodes-Conway and vote FOR the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood High School Master Plan which will be brought before the Plan Commission.

I know this has been a very unpleasant and contentious issue between the high school and the surrounding neighborhood. I feel it is important to invest in our future, the education of our youth. This means providing options for that education, regardless of religious belief. All our youth in Madison should have access to equal education and extracurricular opportunities that are afforded to the public schools.

Please support our youth and our future, and vote to terminate the Edgewood High School Master Plan.

Thank you,
Caroline Roe

Stouder, Heather

From: Peter Gabriel Adamczyk <p.g.adamczyk@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 10:07 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Vote Yes on termination of Edgewood High School Master Plan

Hello, Ms. Stouder,

I am writing this note to urge the Plan Commission to support the ordinance recently introduced by Mayor Rhodes-Conway to terminate the Edgewood High School Master Plan at the school's request. I understand that this ordinance would then allow Edgewood to operate according to standard zoning for campuses in the city of Madison - which I think is the fairest result. As a likely future Edgewood parent (circa 2021), I believe it is important to allow the high school to fully serve its students including through the athletic facilities, and I have been frustrated to observe the impasse on improvements to these facilities in recent years. Please support the proposed ordinance in front of the Plan Commission and the Common Council - it will benefit the students and the community for many years to come.

Sincerely,
Peter Adamczyk
5121 Flad Ave
Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Bernie and Joan A <go.big.red@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 9:15 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: Edgewood High School
Subject: Edegewood High School, YES

Ms. Stouder,

I'm writing to you in support of the Edgewood high school Goodman Athletic Complex. As you are aware the Mayor has introduced the termination of the Edgewood High School Master Plan. I am a resident of Madison 53717 and live close to Memorial High School. We need to rally around the students in our city and encourage positive activities. As a social worker, I see too often what trouble kids get into. Why are we not supporting the kids who are doing the right things and learning life lessons through athletics? EHS students should be given the same opportunity on their home field to learn team work, discipline, leadership, and comradery that their friends at the other Madison schools do. I welcome events at Memorial and I wish my downtown neighbors felt the same way about good kids doing good things. Please show your support for ALL Madison youth by supporting the termination of the Master Plan. Please support this termination so that the students of Edgewood can experience the same support and sense of community that the public schools of Madison have. Vote Yes.

Thank you,

Joan Albright W19 Sturbridge Circle, Madison WI 53717
608-239-2201

Stouder, Heather

From: Darryl Thelen <thelendg@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 9:00 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Please Support Edgewood's request

Dear Heather,

I am writing to request your support of Edgewood's autonomy to play games on their field. They have been extremely good neighbors and educators of young leaders of so many in our community. Participating in athletic events is a natural extension of their mission, and doing on their home field is obviously a positive community building activity for the school and neighborhood. I urge you to continue to support the ordinance through the Plan Commission and the Common Council.

Sincerely,

- Darryl Thelen

Stouder, Heather

From: Stephanie Barth <stbarth218@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 8:41 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

I am asking for your support on the vote to dissolve the Master plan on behalf of the Edgewood campus. We are in full support and encourage you to continue to shepherd this ordinance through the Plan Commission and the Common Council. We have had children graduate from both Edgewood HS and James Madison Memorial High School and we currently have a daughter on the Track and Field team at Edgewood. We fully support athletic events hosted on the campus of Edgewood schools. We have seen first hand the positive impact sports and athletics can have our children. Edgewood has acted in good faith. Let the kids play on their field. We ask that the Plan commission vote Yes in Support of the ordinance to terminate.

Stephanie Barth
9205 Eaglewood Drive
Madison, WI

Stouder, Heather

From: Tom Walker <radiotom124@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 8:30 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Please support the mayor's plan to terminate Edgewood High Schools Master Plan. Please treat the school the same as the other Madison high schools.

Tom Walker
Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Richardson, Tom <Tom.Richardson@dupont.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 7:27 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan - REQUEST TO TERMINATE

Dear Heather,

Please vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood Master Plan

Regards,
Tom Richardson
Madison-53711

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Stouder, Heather

From: Bernie A <gobrewersgo@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 6:59 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood High School master plan

Ms. Stouder,

I'm writing you to request your support for the upcoming considerations regarding the Edgewood High School master plan. This master plan has been an obstacle in allowing Edgewood HS to host sporting events on its campus. Mayor Satya and City Attorney Michael May have invited Edgewood to terminate its master plan, in order to allow Edgewood to host athletic events on its campus and conduct business in a manner consistent with the other Madison High Schools.

I appreciate the City's views on "equity," "fairness," and "inclusiveness." Edgewood Alumni and families, such as mine, are hopeful that we will be treated equally with the other High Schools in Madison, who are allowed to host football games, track meets, soccer games, and other athletic events at their home campuses.

There are City meetings at the end of August and beginning of September that will require your support for this to happen.

I ask that you support the termination of the master plan, and support other measures that are necessary for Edgewood to be treated equally and have the opportunity to host sporting events.

Thank You for your support,

Bernie Albright
Madison, 53717

Stouder, Heather

From: Beth Steffen
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 5:25 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: please support the termination of Edgewood's master plan

Good evening Ms. Stouder,

I am writing to ask for the Plan Commissions's support of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan. I have been the principal of Edgewood High School for just over a year, and my eighth-grade daughter attends Edgewood Campus School and will be a 9th grader at Edgewood High School in one year. As a relative newcomer to the Edgewood community, and after working at La Follette High School for 17 years, I have been startled by the neighborhood's responses to Edgewood's athletic field. When I was at La Follette, Lussier Stadium was built. It literally *touches* (as opposed to being across the street from) the neighbors' property on Spaanem. The east-side neighborhood didn't mobilize against the existence of Lussier stadium.

I know that emotions have run very high on issues surrounding Edgewood's athletic field, and I think emotion can cloud good sense. I bring my out-of-town relatives to visit the Edgewood campus, and when they see the Goodman Athletic Complex and learn of restrictions on its uses, they think of Madison as a laughing stock. More importantly, my friends and acquaintances across the city are exasperated that so much time, energy, and attention are being devoted to such a frivolous issue in a community that has so many pressing issues.

During my first month or so at Edgewood, we received phone calls at 4 in the afternoon from neighbors complaining that our kids' football practice was waking their children up from a nap. We received complaints that our kids' Homecoming week morning football competitions were too loud (while jackhammers were tearing up Monroe Street). I know that ending the Master Plan has raised clamorous objection from some of our neighbors, but I hope that the Plan Commission supports the termination of our voluntary master plan in order to ensure that Edgewood is treated fairly, as the other schools in Madison have been treated.

With thanks for your consideration,
Beth Steffen

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Beth Steffen, Principal
Edgewood High School of the Sacred Heart
[2219 Monroe Street](#)
[Madison, WI 53711](#)

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Stouder, Heather

From: Mary Lou Nord <mary.lou.nord44@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 5:05 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan Exit

Dear Ms Stouder and Mr. Zellers,

My name is Mary Lou Nord. I live at 2332 Monroe Street, across from the Edgewood High Athletic Field. I oppose the resolution to allow the Edgewood campus to voluntarily withdraw from its Master Plan.

This master plan is the result of the Edgewood-Neighborhood Liaison Committee negotiating with each other for four years to create an agreement that would benefit everyone. To approve the withdrawal of Edgewood from this agreement would cause damage to trust in neighborhood cooperation.

Please consider the importance of keeping this master plan in place.

Thank you.
Mary Lou Nord

Stouder, Heather

From: John Jerisha <jjerisha@charter.net>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 5:01 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate Master plan at Edgewood High School

Please vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate the Master plan at Edgewood High School.

Thank you, John A Jerisha M.D.

Stouder, Heather

From: JUDY A CARY <jcary@wisc.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 4:56 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I encourage you to shepherd the ordinance through the Plan Commission in favor of Edgewood High School hosting their games on the Edgewood High School campus.

Edgewood High School is a beautiful Madison treasure on Monroe Street and provides a valued education and service for its students.

Judith Cary
4817 Holiday Dr
Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Mary K Johnson <marykaywj@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 4:43 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

I am writing to ask the Plan Commission to vote YES to support the termination of the ordinance regarding Edgewood's voluntary Master Plan.

I am writing as an alumni, a parent of two alumni and a person whose family lived within blocks of Edgewood from 1944-2005.

Monroe street area has always been a vibrant area full of activity, businesses, and community. Edgewood has always been a part of this community.

Please terminate the ordinance regarding Edgewood's Voluntary Master Plan.

Thank you

Mary Kay Johnson
Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: chriseshun@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 4:39 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood HS

Ms Stouder
Please vote YES.

Sincerely
Chris Eshun

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Larissa Zakletska <lysychka@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 4:38 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I would greatly appreciate if the Plan Commission votes YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School Master Plan.

Most Sincerely,

Larissa Zakletska
Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: chriseshun@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 4:38 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood HS dilemma

Thank you for taking the time to listen to me. I am writing in regards to the situation at Edgewood high school and being able to play sports on the field provided by the school. It is very important that Edgewood be able to continue to offer sports being played in their fields. Contrary to popular believe that all students who go to Edgewood are wealthy mine were not. My children attended Edgewood high school by having people help them out financially. I am a single parent who needed help. Their father abandoned us at a young age and I needed support of all kinds. Moral support was just as important as financial and Edgewood provided both. I believe it takes a village to raise a child and in this case the village was my family at Edgewood high school during these crucial years of adolescence. Two of my children were able to get athletic scholarships through Edgewood high school and their colleges UW Madison, and Northwestern University and continue their education and become very successful. The other two children received Edgewood's scholarships and made it through college with smaller scholarships. Without this support it would have been very difficult. Being minorities always was an extra challenge, but I wouldn't let that stop them. Hard work and dedication, with the support of Edgewood high school paid off. Having to travel away from their school to play sports was a true burden. I was too busy raising my children to find out why it wasn't possible for them to play sports at Edgewood. I didn't realize the neighborhood had so much power over the school. It only makes sense to me that students play at their own field, on their own grounds. I think it is safer to have them play nearby than to have them drive all over town trying to find field where they can practice and play games. Do we not want our children to be safe and healthy?

I do believe, if people bought houses near Edgewood high school or any high school they should expect to have students nearby. I grew up on a farm and people who bought houses or build houses near our dairy farm, would expect to see cows and smell manure. People who buy a house near a park would expect to have people in the park, and whatever else goes along with living near a park. Stopping students from the benefits of playing sports in their school, on their property because the neighbors don't want it, appears to me unfair. Is it because it is a private institution? It has been there for so many years, and like all things we expect to improve and grow to become better. I believe that Edgewood helps the community be well rounded. Variety is the spice of life. Thank you for listening to me and please help Edgewood be treated fairly.

Sincerely,
Chris Eshun

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Patty Putnam <pattyp58@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 4:23 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood..

Heather, Please vote yes to terminate the request that Edgewood has asked to terminate it

s master plan...My husband, who was an Edgewood Grad and a teacher at Central and West for 33.5 years. and we have lived in Madison for 73 of our 78 years. think Edgewood should be able to support it's athletics and educational plans with their very minimal request for usage of their property. Edgewood was on site for well over 100 years. PLease give this your closest consideration.

For those of us who have been in Madison for 6 generations, we feel that this is an important issue to be resolved by COMMON SENSE!!!!

Patricia Barnes Putnam, Madison West 'class of '59.

Stouder, Heather

From: Ray Robey <ray.robey@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 4:21 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: presidentsoffice@edgewoodhs.org; Debi Robey; Evers, Tag
Subject: Edgewood High School

Dear Ms. Stouder,

We have previously communicated with Mayor Rhodes-Conway and our Alder, Tag Evers, but want to also let you and the City Plan Commission know that we are in full support of the proposed ordinance to repeal the Edgewood Campus Master Plan.

We are Raymond J & Debra S Robey. We reside at 2355 West Lawn Avenue, (approximately 1000 feet from the center of Edgewood's athletic field), and we support Edgewood's efforts to add stands, lights and public address speakers to their field to facilitate more games.

We have lived at this address for ~ 10 years, have heard sounds from many games and practices at the field, and have no problem with it. We find it far more pleasant than the sounds of emergency vehicles on Monroe Street, or the near constant construction & rehab work on our end of West Lawn Avenue. We live with the noise and traffic from UW home football games and anticipate no more inconvenience.

Although we are current members of the Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood Association we do not support their position opposing Edgewood's efforts. The DMNA points out that they have worked with Edgewood on 16 development projects since 2001, negotiated compromises, and ultimately agreed to a plan. The association then goes on to use this history as an explanation as to why they totally oppose the current plan for the athletic field and have no interest in seeking an amicable solution. The idea of two neighbors meeting together and working out a mutually agreeable solution is how the process is supposed to work....every time.

While we don't agree with the zoning board of appeals interpretation of the Master Plan, we feel that repealing the plan will put Edgewood on an equal footing with other schools within the city's jurisdiction, which is the right thing to do from a legal point of view. More importantly, by restoring Edgewood's rights to use their property as they see fit, this might finally convince our neighbors and the DMNA that it is in their best interest to negotiate in good faith and seek an amicable compromise.

Thank you,

Raymond J Robey
Debra S Robey

Stouder, Heather

From: Karisa Trudgeon <karisatrudgeon@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 4:10 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I am writing to voice my support and ask for yours. Please help end this costly and embarrassing political game and do what is right for the students and community of Edgewood High School. We are calling on common sense. Common sense that says all students and schools should be treated as equals. Common sense that says students should be allowed to play athletic competitions on athletic fields on their property. Common sense that says we should not punish students that perform thousands of hours of community service in Madison every year BUT SUPPORT THEM so they stay in Madison and help it continue to thrive and prosper. Common sense that says doing anything else is discrimination and we do not stand for that in our great city.

Please vote YES in SUPPORT to the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master plan.

Thank you,
Karisa Trudgeon
5862 Tree Line Dr., Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Haefer, Mary <mhaefer@capspecialty.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 4:07 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Say Yes

I am writing to ask you to please vote YES in support of the ordinance the Mayor has proposed to allow Edgewood to terminate the Master Plan. As a working mom of three kids (two Edgewood alums and one current student), I would like the students to be treated the same as the other schools in the Madison area. I really appreciate your attention to this issue. Thanks. Mary Haefer

Mary Haefer, JD, CPCU
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Stouder, Heather

From: Ann Palm <anneshun@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 4:01 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Ordinance

Ms. Stouder,

I am writing to ask that the Plan Commission vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School's Master Plan.

Sincerely,
Ann Palm
5617 Trempealeau Trl
Madison, 53705

Stouder, Heather

From: Zwettler, Christopher <christopher.zwettler@edgewoodhs.org>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 3:46 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: Info

Vote YES in support to terminate the master plan-Thank you!!

Chris Zwettler
Athletic Director/Physical Education/Head Boys Basketball Coach
Edgewood High School of the Sacred Heart
2219 Monroe St. Madison, WI 53711
(608) 257-1023 x 144
edgewoodhs.org | facebook.com/EdgewoodHS

Stouder, Heather

From: Jeff Parisi <Jeff@parisiconstruction.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 3:39 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Good afternoon Heather,

Please support the ordinance to allow Edgewood High School to terminate their master plan. It is my hope that Edgewood is allowed to take whatever path is necessary to allow their sports teams to be able to participate on their school grounds.

In the last 8-10 years in the Madison metro area, there have been referendum passed approaching \$1 billion dollars to improve the facilities at our public schools. Edgewood families live in, and have supported, the communities where these funds are being invested, we all understand the importance of the commitment to our public education system.

Edgewood is now asking for a small amount of that support to be returned to their community, at no expense to the taxpayer. There are a handful of people who wish to see Edgewood fail, and they are using this process to punish Edgewood both in the short term, by making this process as expensive and difficult as possible, and in the long term by clearly communicating to Edgewood that they do not value Edgewood in the community nearly as much as Edgewood values them.

On average the referenda have passed 67% for and 33% against. Unanimity is not a requirement for the approval to spend significant taxpayer dollars for our schools, therefore unanimity is not required to allow Edgewood to improve its facilities. Please do not let the vindictive few be the voice of the Madison community, there are still many of us who still believe Madison is a good place.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jeff Parisi

1115 Willow Lane, Madison, WI 53705

Stouder, Heather

From: Jon Woods <jpwoods@charter.net>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 3:24 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: support of proposed ordinance terminating Edgewood Master Plan

Heather Stouder
Planning Division Director
Madison City Plan Commission

Dear Director Stouder,

I am contacting you about the proposed ordinance terminating the Edgewood Master Plan covering Edgewood High School, Edgewood Campus School, and Edgewood College. I strongly support successful passage of this needed, justified, fair, and reasonable ordinance through the Plan Commission and the Common Council. I urge the Plan Commission to vote Yes in support of the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood Master Plan.

Thank you,
Jon Woods
8/13/19

Jon Woods
143 Glenway St
Madison, WI 53705

jpwoods@charter.net

Stouder, Heather

From: Corey Sielaff <csielaff@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 3:21 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Vote YES to terminate EHS Master Plan

Hello Ms. Stouder,

My name is Corey Sielaff and I am writing in support of Edgewood High Schools request to revoke their master plan and partake in a standard Campus Institution Zoning Plan. I

have been coaching at Edgewood for the past 3 years, have owned my home on the west side of Madison for 6 years, and have been a fan of Edgewood since my days growing up in Middleton from 1995-2004. Edgewood is a wonderful school and has worked hard to be a great and meaningful part of the fabric of the City of Madison. I know the neighbors in the Dudgeon-Monroe community simply want what is best for the city as well. Edgewood utilizing its athletic field for contests and the neighborhood thriving are NOT mutually exclusive! I urge you to continue to support this motion and look forward to the day when our Madison community can thrive together, not as separate entities opposed.

Sincerely,

Corey Sielaff
(608)347-6352

Stouder, Heather

From: Lowell Mays <lmays@charter.net>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 3:18 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

Please treat Edgewood high school fairly....like the public schools.

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Stouder, Heather

From: Steven Krantz <skrantz@princetongroupsports.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 8:56 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan Exit - Support!

Heather,

I fully support the Edgewood plan to exit the Master Plan so they can be on fair and equal treatment as the other city high schools.

While the neighbors (in particular No New Stadium people) like to claim that they want to work with Edgewood on this matter, their only point of negotiation is NO, which I think most rational people would agree really isn't a negotiation.

In addition, I understand that the City suggested to Edgewood that in order to be treated on equal footing, the school would have to exit the Master Plan and the benefits that come with it. Now Tag Evers is trying to introduce an end around on the city ordinance which I find very distasteful.

This is a waste of city resources that frankly could be dealing with much more important issues. Edgewood is not proposing a second Camp Randall – I don't think 500-1000 people for a few football games a year will be an issue and the other sports such as soccer and track get a small fraction of the fans at them.

I live in Vilas at 1715 Adams Street and I 100% believe the city needs to make this right with Edgewood.

Steven Krantz
Vice President
(608) 554-0700 x 250
Princeton Group Sports

Stouder, Heather

From: Tanya Cunningham <itmakesyousmile@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 10, 2019 5:04 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fwd: Contact Common Council: Edgewood Master Plan

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Ms. Stouder,

Below is the body of my message to the City of Madison Common Council on the issue of the Edgewood High School Master Plan and stadium.

Tanya Cunningham

Thank you for taking the time to contact the City of Madison Common Council.
Your message will be routed to the appropriate individual(s).

General Information

Name: Tanya Cunningham
Address: 5646 Lake Mendota Drive
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53705

Message:

Dear Alders,

Thank you for the opportunity to express my opinion on the matter of the current issues surrounding Edgewood High School EHS and their Master Plan/stadium.

I assume that some of you will be less inclined to pay as much attention to my comments as you might to those of others, either because EHS is not in your district, or because I am not in your district. However, I feel very strongly that the process and outcome of this conflict will set a very strong precedent for future conflicts that arise in ALL parts of our city, and therefore ALL Madison residents have a vested interest in how this is handled, and in the eventual outcomes.

As Madison and its surrounding communities grow in population and as population density within the City increases, land use and its impact on all of us and our environment becomes increasingly important. Zoning codes are one of the primary means by which we deal with ever changing conditions. Through direct participation, and via our elected representatives, the citizens of Madison have had, and hopefully will continue to have, an opportunity to shape those codes in the way that best serves all residents for the existing conditions and expectations. Codes are never perfect, nor will everyone be pleased with every part of the code, but adhering to and upholding existing code is the backdrop against which we work out the differences and

conflicts that arise. If existing code no longer works, then those who are interested can participate in a process to change it.

In that context, I find it wholly unacceptable for Mayor Rhodes-Conway to grant an exemption to EHS to free it from the Master Plan that it willingly entered into and took full advantage of for many years, simply to avoid the threat of a lawsuit. That action would make a mockery of the codes and processes that participants worked so hard at establishing. It would be a complete slap in the face to nearby residents who have so much at stake personally, and to all Madison residents who abide by, and depend upon equal enforcement of, zoning codes. And really, football is a religious freedom????

It is very discouraging to see how EHS has completely discarded the reputation that was built over many decades of working with their neighbors and community and the City to now become deceitful and disingenuous bad actors over this issue. Their initial claim that hours and number of games would be limited can now be seen as having been totally fictional, based on their activity and schedule going forward! The genie that would be let out if they are allowed to proceed with their stadium plans will NEVER be put back, and conditions for the entire area will continue to be degraded once that door is opened.

I encourage you to vote down Mayor Rhodes-Conway's proposal to grant an exemption to EHS and require EHS to return to the established process in working through this conflict.

Sincerely,
Tanya Cunningham

Recipient:
All Alders

Stouder, Heather

From: Ledell Zellers <ledell.zellers@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 10, 2019 6:34 AM
To: 'Patrick W Heck'; Stouder, Heather; Firchow, Kevin
Subject: FW: Edgewood Stadium

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FYI

-----Original Message-----

From: Ledell Zellers [mailto:ledell.zellers@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 10, 2019 6:34 AM
To: fordjrf@gmail.com
Subject: FW: Edgewood Stadium

Hello Jeff,

I hope life is treating you well, other than the frustration being caused by the Edgewood issue. I am no longer alder of District 2, not having run last April. Patrick Heck, the new alder for District 2 forwarded me your message.

Since I am the chair of the Plan Commission which will hear the Edgewood issue, I unfortunately cannot help you with this. It sounds like you are fully involved in the issue which is the right thing to do to have your voice heard and it is good to work with your alder.

Best,
Ledell

-----Original Message-----

From: Heck, Patrick [mailto:district2@cityofmadison.com]
Sent: Friday, August 09, 2019 8:08 PM
To: Ledell Gmail <ledell.zellers@gmail.com>
Subject: Fw: Edgewood Stadium

For you....

P.

Alder Patrick Heck
608-286-2260

To subscribe to District 2 updates go to:
<http://www.cityofmadison.com/council/district2/>

From: Jeff Ford <fordjrf@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 9, 2019 7:27 PM
To: Heck, Patrick

Subject: Edgewood Stadium

Hi Ledell

I remember you working at MGE many years ago. I retired several years ago, but have recently gotten, let us say excited but probably more accurately incensed by this new Edgewood stadium project and the way Edgewood is handling it. Tag is my alder and I believe understands the issue well and is in opposition. He is now out of the country for awhile as I understand it, so when I saw a recognizable name, one who has a reputation for effective advocacy, I decided to reach out for advice. I have already sent emails to the mayor, all alders, joined No New Stadium, contributed to their legal fund, put the August 26th meeting on my calendar and talk to all the neighbors. Any prize winning recommendations?

Thanks

Jeff Ford

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Ellen Taylor-Powell <etp2023@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 6, 2019 2:32 PM
To: Mayor
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

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Dear Mayor Rhodes-Conway,

We are writing to voice disagreement with the proposal that Edgewood campus could withdraw from its Master Plan. This Master Plan was agreed to after a long process and by all parties involved. It was negotiated in good faith to extend for a 10 year period, 2014-2024. It provides the basis for understanding and trust that are necessary for satisfactory coexistence of Edgewood and its neighbors.

We strongly oppose the idea that this Plan could now be abandoned by one party, in order to achieve something not within the Plan. This would undermine the city input process, community engagement and our democratic ideals.

Please uphold the established processes and values that make our city strong. Oppose this proposal.

Sincerely,

Ellen and Mark Powell
881 Terry Pl
Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Ethington, Ruth
Sent: Tuesday, August 6, 2019 12:59 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; Firchow, Kevin
Subject: FW: Contact City of Madison Planning

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It begins...

From: noreply@cityofmadison.com <noreply@cityofmadison.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 06, 2019 12:52 PM
To: Stroick, Jule <JStroick@cityofmadison.com>
Cc: Ethington, Ruth <REthington@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Contact City of Madison Planning

The following contact request was received:

Name: Eric Brodsky
Company/Organization: Resident
Address:
1119 WABAN HL
Madison, WI 53711
Phone: (608)698-1054
Email: elb2000@pobox.com
Subject: Neighborhoods

Message:

Heather Stouder, Director, Department of Planning, Community & Economic Development,
and
Ledell Zellers, Chair of the Plan Commission,

I oppose the resolution to allow the Edgewood campus to withdraw from its Master Plan. The City and Edgewood entered into this Master Plan agreement with the understanding that it would be honored by all parties for ten years from 2014-2024. Edgewood and the adjacent neighborhoods negotiated for four years to create this agreement.

Ending this agreement will negatively impact the Lake Wingra watershed and local neighbors. Throughout the stadium approval process Edgewood has blatantly misled the city and neighbors on their intent. Edgewood stated to the city that they lost their ability to play in Middleton, but emails show that Edgewood High School voluntarily terminated their Middleton Football agreement, and can still play at Middleton. This is contrary to Edgewood's claim to the city that "Prior agreements for use of Middleton's field cannot be extended, leaving Edgewood without predictable locations and often last on the list of requests to host games." The Dudgeon-Monroe Neighborhood Association strongly opposes the proposed new stadium. The city should not reward this dishonest behavior. Ending the agreement will justifiably erode the trust that Madison residents have in local government to keep their word on agreements and contracts.

Regards,
Eric Brodsky

Madison, WI

Stouder, Heather

From: Jane Albert <jalbert4410@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 5, 2019 8:34 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

I live on West Lawn Ave. very close to the Edgewood Campus. Our neighborhood team and a team for Edgewood worked very hard for several years to compromise on the Master Plan. I believe in community engagement and continued value of all parties honoring the Master Plan which does not expire until 2024. Thank you, Jane Albert 2144 West Lawn Ave.

Stouder, Heather

From: Yael Gen on behalf of Yael Gen <Yael@yaelgendesign.com>
Sent: Monday, August 5, 2019 9:39 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Correction to my numbers

Dear Ms. Stouder and Ms. Zellers:

I apologize for an error in my previous email and offer the corrected version.

I moved to Madison in 1995 and my husband and I bought our first and only house here on Woodrow Street a year later. In the 23 years I have lived here, I've enjoyed the proximity to Lake Wingra and Monroe Street. I've watched the campus change and always left snow shovels on the porch so students could dig out their cars. I used the brand new library at Edgewood College when my daughter was a toddler. In the past, the campus seemed like a good neighbor — working with the liaison committee to get their projects approved without destroying the fabric of the community.

No one is discriminating against the campus. The campus entered an agreement with the city and the neighborhood. They built everything they wanted—they were very specific about a “practice field” because they wanted to get approval from the neighbors—and now they can't get what they want so instead of pl

Stouder, Heather

From: Jamie Domini on behalf of Jamie Domini <jldomini@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 4, 2019 5:09 PM
To: Mayor
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood should not be allowed to exit the master plan early and just ram a stadium through

Greetings Mayor,

I'm sure you are getting plenty of mail so I'll try to be brief and just let you know that CONSIDERABLE time, energy, and mostly good will have gone into this process for years. The idea that Edgewood can simply "peace out" and build their stadium is an unconscionable outcome.

This is a TERRIBLE precedent to set for the future. Edgewood reeks of GOP, Walker/ Trumpian tactics and should not be rewarded. Ultimately to them, the end justifies the means and they will do whatever they need to to push this through.

Edgewood High School has been a bad actor through the entire process, knowingly deceptive and manipulative from the start. There is plenty of evidence dating way back to before even the creation of the master plan that Edgewood intended to try and push through a stadium under the radar - process, good will, neighbors and surrounding natural area be damned.

Please know it is summer and many people may not be giving this their full attention. It is c

Stouder, Heather

From: Yael Gen on behalf of Yael Gen <mizgen@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 4, 2019 3:10 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Opposing the resolution to allow Edgewood Campus to exit the Master Plan

Dear Ms. Strouder and Ms. Zellers,

I'm writing to ask you to oppose allowing Edgewood to withdraw from the Master Plan.

I moved to Madison in 1995 and my husband and I bought our first and only house here on Woodrow Street a year later. In the 23 years I have lived here, I've enjoyed the proximity to Lake Wingra and Monroe Street. I've watched the campus change and always left snow shovels on the porch in winter so students could dig out their cars. I used the brand new library at Edgewood College when my daughter was a toddler. In the past, the campus seemed like a good neighbor — working with the liaison committee to get their projects approved without destroying the fabric of the community.

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Stouder, Heather

From: Judi K-Turkel on behalf of Judi K-Turkel <judi@booksthatteach.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 3, 2019 12:37 PM
To: Mayor
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood renegeing on master plan

Please do not allow Edgewood to tear up its sworn obligations to keep to its 10-year Master Plan.

The Edgewood complex has for many years been trying to outgrow the bounds of its longstanding agreement with the city's Planning Commission to remain the small urban institution it was set up to be. The agreement acknowledged the fact that Edgewood was almost entirely surrounded by small residential properties whose owners wanted and expected traffic, sound and light levels to remain residential in nature. What Edgewood has in mind would clearly lower the value of these homeowners' properties immediately and should under no circumstances be approved by the city or any of its agencies.

Finding no other way to get what it wants right now within its lawful agreement, Edgewood is attempting to just tear up the agreement. We think that if the city allows this, no homeowner can ever trust the city entity again.

PS Please also direct this to members of the City Council.

Cordially,

Stouder, Heather

From: Sue Statz on behalf of Sue Statz <statz810@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 3, 2019 11:55 AM
To: Stouder, Heather; Mayor; M Scott Statz
Subject: Edgewood 's Master Plan

Dear Mayor Rhodes-Conway and Director Stouder,

My husband and I have lived at 810 Woodrow Street for over the past 25 years and love our neighborhood. We are directly across from Edgewood's practice field and their bleachers. We, along with all of our concerned neighbors, have been in a battle with Edgewood over their proposed new stadium (including their request for lights and sound system). Thankfully, at the last Planning Commission meeting, it was determined that Edgewood should abide by the agreed upon 10-year Master Plan and follow the necessary steps to amend it - instead of ignore it.

Unfortunately, we recently learned that Edgewood is requesting to terminate from the 10-year Master Plan so that they can move forward with their new stadium. The Master Plan took 4-years in the making and was negotiated and agreed upon by all parties. It absolutely should not be broken just because Edgewood is not getting what it wants.

As I am sure you are aware, our neighborhood has go

Stouder, Heather

From: Eric Kerlow on behalf of Eric Kerlow <Eric1@Kerlow.net>
Sent: Saturday, August 3, 2019 11:50 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Oppose Edgewood Withdrawal of Master Plan

Dear Director Stouder,

Please oppose the Edgewood Institutions withdrawal from their Master Plan. The use of a Master Plans is important so that comprehensive issues can be addressed and neighbors do not need to constantly be on the defensive (attending meetings, placing signs out, writing elected officials) for every change a school seeks.

The surrounding neighborhood spent four years negotiating this plan. Now that the Master Plan does not suit their desire to compete in sports contests in a future (unwelcome) stadium, they should not be allowed to withdraw from it.

Eric Kerlow
2007 Adams St.

Stouder, Heather

From: Rachel Bennett on behalf of Rachel Bennett <cashdollarb@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 3, 2019 7:45 AM
To: mayor@cityofmadison.org
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood's master plan

Dear Mayor,

It is my understanding that Edgewood high school is planning to withdraw from their Master Plan developed and agreed to in 2014, with the intent of being honored for 10 years. Allowing Edgewood to abandon this plan would discourage future trust by all Madison residents in the city input process. This would also set a dangerous precedent, essentially rendering meaningless any future similar plans attempted not just with Edgewood, but in the city as a whole. I strongly encourage you to do what you can to not allow this to happen.

Thank you,
Rachel Bennett

-----Original Message-----

From: gretchen twietmeyer <gtwiet@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 11:48 AM

To: Planning <planning@cityofmadison.com>

Subject: Proposed Repeal of Edgewood Master Plan 56839

Dear Ms. Stouder:

Please see that each member of the Plan Commission and its Chair receives a copy of my letter for the August 26th hearing. Thank you.

To the Plan Commission:

Edgewood should not be permitted to exit its Master Plan by resolution. That process is not provided for in the City code, and is not fair to the DMNA neighborhood, which has been a stakeholder in that plan process from its inception over a period of 4 years. In fact the DMNA liaison committee has been the neighborhood interface with Edgewood for many years preceding this Master Plan; this format has worked well over many years. I was on the DMNA council for about a decade preceding this master plan and know how hard those liaisons have worked to seek resolution on Edgewood's many projects. DMNA has reached resolution with Edgewood on every matter that they brought before it under the current master plan. Except for the stadium, which was not part of its plan and was initially raised by an Amendment to the Plan Commission, bypassing the liaison committee.

The neighborhood has relied on the Master Plan and Edgewood has received many benefits in the form of buildings and things they desired. If they are allowed to exit and 'do whatever they want with their land', what zoning rights do people in the neighborhoods have and how will the City protect them? This end run by Edgewood, one of several in this particular quest to reach a desired result that my neighborhood strongly opposes, will undermine trust of city process in every neighborhood, not just mine.

I expect the mayor and every alder to adhere to the basic tenet that neighborhoods are the building blocks of our city. People who live here expect to have a say in matters that affect their quality of life and city process must guarantee that.

About myself: I have lived in my home nearly all of my adult life (45 years) and had expected to age in place here. The sound will drive me out if Edgewood gets its way. Over many years I have contributed to this city by serving on a city committee, numerous boards and organizations dedicated mainly to poverty, racial and women's issues, and to DMNA.

Gretchen Twietmeyer
2260 West Lawn
Madison, WI 53701

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From: shawnd7777@aol.com

Date: Aug 21, 2019 10:13 AM

Subject: Proposed Repeal of Edgewood Master Plan

To: vnapresident@gmail.com

Cc:

mbottari@cityofmadison.com,district13@cityofmadison.com,hstouder@cityofmadison.com,ajstatz2@madison.k12.wi.us,bacantrell@charter.net,erics@cows.org,jshagenow@yahoo.com,LedellZellers@aol.com,district3@cityofmadison.com,district6@cityofmadison.com,hiwayman@chorus.net,district2@cityofmadison.com,allalders@cityofMadison.com

Dear Chris,

My name is Shawn Doherty and I have lived at 2121 Adams Street for 17 years. I am writing to urge you and the VNA to join your colleagues on the DMNA and Greenbush neighborhood associations in taking a stand and opposing Edgewood's latest move to wiggle out of its Master Plan.

I covered city hall for the Capital Times for four years and before then reported on politics for Newsweek and the LA Times, so I can imagine how difficult it must be to navigate all of the competing interests, pressures, and emotions that play a role in a zoning battle like this one. But irregardless of where you and other VNA officers personally stand on the stadium issue, I hope that the VNA makes it clear in a public statement that the integrity and independence of the city's zoning and planning processes must be paramount. I believe such a statement is especially necessary because of the misleading information that has been put out there.

Edgewood claims that the city "invited" it to exit the plan. That is misleading. Invitations are extended to tea parties, not lawsuits. As you must know, the city suggested this option only after Edgewood lawyers threatened to sue it. <https://isthmus.com/news/news/edgewood-takes-another-route-to-host-stadium-games/> RLUIPA is a federal law passed in 2000 that was intended to be used as a shield to protect churches and other religious institutions against discrimination. Instead it is being increasingly used as a hammer by organizations like Edgewood High School with a religious affiliation to shatter and circumvent local zoning regulations. Madison's city planners have a well-deserved national reputation for using the planning process to achieve that delicate balance between private interests and the public good. The result might frustrate developers at times but it is also one of the reasons our city is often chosen as one of the most livable in the nation. No matter how you and other officers at the VNA may feel about the stadium, not sticking up for the independence and value of this planning process and not denouncing this kind of bullying would set an alarming precedent.

It would also create an unbelievable headache. Many of us in the Vilas neighborhood worked for years on the current Master Plan, which builds on previous plans and addresses numerous concerns and issues from both the campus and nearby residents. These issues include stormwater protections, setbacks, parking, lights, and the construction of new buildings. My 98-year-old neighbor Betty McDonald tells me she's been dealing with Edgewood and some of this stuff for over 50 years! I can't imagine having to start over from scratch, especially after so many of us for so long negotiated in good faith and have had to tolerate the compromises reached, for better and for worse. After the dormitory went up across the street I've had to call Edgewood security and the police about property damage, theft, and noise. I deal. Even the young athletes Edgewood talks so much about know you win some and you lose some but you always play by the rules. You don't just quit. Such a move would poison relations and trust between the neighborhoods and campus and city for years to come. The VNA needs to point out that a far better path would be for Edgewood to resume its discussions with the collaborative working group and to continue to seek a compromise.

It is unfortunate that the August VNA meeting was canceled, because that would have been a great time to get feedback from the folks you represent. Perhaps it would be helpful if I shared with you what I learned last weekend, when I went around our side of the neighborhood to collect signatures for a Protest Petition against the zoning change that would allow Edgewood to exit its Master Plan. I contacted 12 households whose proximity to the Edgewood property makes them eligible to sign. Ten of the 12 households did so, which means they cared enough to go the trouble of attending a signing event with a notary public the next day. (Actually, make that 10 1/2. There was a split household.) Some of these people had ties to Edgewood. They were open to the idea of a stadium but "embarrassed" by how the campus has been treating neighbors. Every single person I spoke to except for a couple that had just moved into the neighborhood and didn't know what was going on was upset, outraged even, that the high school is using the threat of a religious discrimination lawsuit to try to get its way. So, contrary to what Edgewood claims, opposition is not contained to a "small, vocal group" on just one side of the campus. It runs deep in our neighborhood too. Tag Ever's impressive majority last fall in Ward 66 is another indication of how our Vilas neighborhood feels, and so are the VNA's own Minutes from last fall, which show that most people who turned up for a discussion about the stadium were opposed to it.

A few days ago I looked up the VNA's Charter, which states that the Association's purpose is "the enhancement of the neighborhood's residential character and attributes and the promotion of camaraderie among the Neighborhood's residents." Both goals are in peril and both are worth fighting for. Thank you for having the courage, the patience, and the empathy to listen to and represent the views of residents like myself, even if they differ from your own or upset powerful stakeholders. Thank you for keeping your decision-making process open and transparent. And thank you for the hours I know you put into our neighborhood.

A neighborhood dispute like this can bring out the best or the worst in all of us. May it bring out the best!

Shawn Doherty

P.S. I'd appreciate it if you could forward this letter to your colleagues at VNA since I couldn't find their email addresses. Thanks to them as well for their work.

Stouder, Heather

From: Barbara Erlenborn <bjerlenb@wisc.edu>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 6:48 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: Barbara Erlenborn
Subject: Support for Tag Evers resolution and Opposition to Eliminating Edgewood's 10 Year Master Plan

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Dear Planning Commission, Alder Tag Evers and City of Madison, I support Tag Evers amendment to the Campus Institutional zoning that would require conditional use approval to develop a stadium among other uses. This amendment would require continued dialoge with Edgewood and give the neighbors a voice.

I oppose allowing Edgewood to eliminate its 10 year Master Plan. .

Regardless of the loop hole that Edgewood has found concerning the ability to negate their 10 yr Master Plan or the threat that Edgewood has made to sue the City of Madison on religious grounds (which is incomprehensible given that fact that as a religious institution, Edgewood has not and does not pay property taxes because it is clasified as a religious institution) ...the facts are.... that 80 foot lights , a PA system, increased noise, and traffic ... these items are not conducive to Quallity of Life.

Quality of Life is the issue. Edgewood, as a Catholic institution, must embrace the concept of Quality of Life. Pope Francis speaks mightily on Quality of Life. Pope Francis writes that Catholics should discern the impact on integral human development before launching any project (Laudato si" 185.) Francis agrues for the common destinaton of the earth's goods, preserving these for the good of all. For this Christians must move away from consumerism to a more Christian concept of quality of life, where they can be "grateful for the opportunities which life affords us...and appreciate the small things" with a certain detachment based on their Christian philosophy of life (Laudato si', 222).

I realize we, the neighbors and our neighborhood, are small fish--but we need the City of Madison to say "NO" to lights, PA system, Noise and Traffic. We need the City of Madison to say "NO" to a new stadium. We need the City of Madison to say "YES" to the small fish who seek to retain our Quality of Life which does not include 80 ft. lights, PA system, noise and traffic.

Barbara Erlenborn, [2316 West Lawn Avenue, Madison, Wi.](#)

Stouder, Heather

From: Judy Sidran <judysidran@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 6:10 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

By allowing Edgewood to abandon this agreement now, because it wants something that is not in the Master Plan, the city would be discouraging future trust by all Madison residents in the city input process, and contradict the legislative intent of the Campus Institutional District ordinance, which was designed to balance the competing needs of institutions with the residential neighborhoods in which they are located. While the neighborhoods are not signatories to the Master Plan, we are significant stakeholders and our voices should count. We continue to have faith in the Master Plan process, which has allowed Edgewood and its neighbors to coexist in mutual respect since 1997, and in our elected officials, who value community engagement. In that spirit, we urge the Planning Commission and Common Council to oppose this resolution.

Thank you,
Judy Sidran

Stouder, Heather

From: Clare Stoner Fehsenfeld <wonderclare@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 11:55 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: opinion on Edgewood

Hi,

I'm a resident of 815 Terry Pl. Here's my opinion on the Edgewood question.

- I think Edgewood has a right to undergo whatever legal options they want to pursue with regard to the master plan. I assume that if they withdraw from the master plan they'll have to get every major change approved by the city and the neighborhood on an individual basis.

- I think that having a high school play games on their sports field is reasonable. I'm not really concerned about game traffic or non-amplified noise.

- I am concerned about noise amplification and its effect on our quiet street and our family's quiet nights in the backyard
- I wouldn't want to have amplified games played every Saturday night or on lots of weeknights, for example. I could see occasional events being okay, but I am worried, based on Edgewood's track record, that they might try to push up the number of games. I want them to be more respectful to the neighborhood in terms of how they're acting.

Thanks,
Clare Stoner Fehsenfeld

Stouder, Heather

From: marcia diamond <mdiamond1339@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 8:37 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood debacle

Ms Stouder--

I'm attaching below a copy of an email I just sent to my alder and to the full common council. I would like members of the Plan Commission to see it as well and understand you will distribute it to them. It is my fondest hope that the commission will not fall for Edgewood's bullying.

Thank you--

Marcia Diamond

Alder Evers--

I just saw the news that Edgewood has proceeded with their threat to sue the city based on "religious discrimination" in its latest effort to bully the city and the neighborhoods into going along with their wish to add lights and amplified sound to what was a practice-only field in order to host night games of all sorts throughout the year.

Where do I begin??? I have attended meetings and watched how Edgewood has acted as a schoolyard bully and tried to just ignore the master plan that they themselves worked to develop with neighbors in the past. When they changed their tune on what they wanted to do with the field and then saw that they couldn't prevail in bludgeoning the neighborhood and city, suddenly the plan is no longer accurate and suddenly they're being discriminated against!? I'm sorry, but that is all just total B.S.

They have clearly been angry with neighbors who have had the temerity to say they do not want and should not have to deal with bright lights and crowd noise and amplified sound when they're trying to enjoy their own properties just yards away and even just get the kids to sleep. Mind you, these are the same neighbors who have supported Edgewood on every other project (of which there have been many) EXCEPT this one over the years and worked with Edgewood to make things best for everyone. Edgewood has said they want to be treated like other local high schools--yet neither East nor West is able to play games on a "home" field by their school building. (And Edgewood isn't even primarily comprised of students from its own neighborhood or even from Madison).

Edgewood clearly thinks they should be able to do whatever they want to do and the neighborhoods (and the city itself) be damned. I find that to be a remarkable approach from an organization founded on the concept of truth (which has been mighty lacking in their approach to things, in my opinion). My belief is that they participated in making the current master plan exactly what it is. They may pursue

changing that plan through the normal civic process...but they should NOT be allowed to jettison the existing plan because it interferes with what they now want to do.

It is also my belief that the claim of religious discrimination is both laughable and disgusting (back to that business of "veritas"...their motto). I'm entirely sure that no one gives a rat's patoot that Edgewood is a "religious" organization...and a night time football game is certainly not a "religious" exercise! Immediate neighbors and those across the area would be making the same points no matter who or what was trying to do what Edgewood is trying to do--run roughshod over the neighborhood.

I don't live across the street from the campus or the practice field, but I do care about the potential for negative impact on the nearby neighbors, the nearby neighborhoods in general, and the tone of the city itself (since this city has in the past valued the special qualities of its neighborhoods--of which the area has many).

It is my hope that you and your fellow alders will remind Edgewood that they are part of the neighborhood--rather than the other way around. Please insist that Edgewood follow the master plan they developed themselves with the neighborhoods or at least follow the official process to change that plan. Personally, I cannot imagine any valid reason at all that Edgewood should be allowed to EVER put up lights, amplified sound, and generate crowd noise that will so negatively impact the whole area.

Thank you for your support--and for your service to the Madison community at large.

Marcia Diamond

Stouder, Heather

From: Scott Spoolman <sspoolman@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 8:28 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; Andrew J. Statz; Bradley A. Cantrell; erics@cows.org; jshagenow@yahoo.com; Lemmer, Lindsay; Rummel, Marsha; hiwayman@chorus.net; Heck, Patrick
Subject: Value of Edgewood Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder and Planning Commission members:

Edgewood High School and its neighbors negotiated in good faith through a long and arduous process to balance the school's needs with the needs of surrounding neighborhoods. The result was a planning process that, since 1992, has served that purpose well. Edgewood's schools have benefited greatly with building additions for all three schools, a new dormitory, a new arts center, and at least 12 other improvement projects. The neighbors have generously supported these improvements in several ways and have benefited from the presence of a fine and steadily improving institution. The planning process has worked.

Now Edgewood High School wants to build a lighted, amplified-sound stadium to host many competitive events per season in a variety of different sports, including events for non-Edgewood teams. All of that is outside of the Master Plan, and there is a reason. The substantially higher level of noise, traffic, street parking and other aspects of athletic events in such a stadium would impact the neighborhood negatively. Neighbors have already accepted the increased noise, traffic, street parking, and other changes resulting from the campus improvements in recent years. The stadium proposal takes such changes to a level that is beyond acceptable for the large majority of Edgewood's neighbors.

Edgewood wants to abandon its Master Plan, which would mean abandoning a long, well-honed relationship with its neighbors along with a carefully developed process through which all parties' needs were balanced. The rancor that we've all experienced over this move by Edgewood to circumvent a plan that we all agreed upon will only grow worse if Edgewood succeeds in abandoning the Master Plan process.

It would be better for Edgewood to stay with the Master Plan and to resume the tradition of working with its neighbors in order to continue to meet its needs while balancing them against the needs of its neighbors. It would be better for the city to preserve the planning process, retain the faith of its citizens, protect the integrity of its neighborhoods, and reject the resolution to allow Edgewood to withdraw from the Master Plan.

Sincerely,

Scott Spoolman

2317 West Lawn Ave.

Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Shawn Schey <shawnschey@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 8:26 PM
To: All Alders; Stouder, Heather; Evers, Tag
Subject: OPPOSE DISSOLUTION OF EDGEWOOD MASTER PLAN

Dear Plan Commission and Common Council Members:

Please OPPOSE dissolution of Edgewood's Master Plan!

I was on the Edgewood-Neighborhood Liaison Committee as a Dudgeon-Monroe rep from 2001-2018 which included this last Master Plan process. It was an arduous process, but as a result, Edgewood was able to realize numerous building projects for their campus, and the neighborhoods had a say in it. It was truly a collaborative endeavor that worked well.

But now Edgewood High School enrollment is in decline. Neighbors fear that if they can walk away from their Master Plan and get a stadium this summer, they will soon seek to use it as a commercial venue to boost their bottom line. It won't be just for high school athletes anymore, but for all kinds of events such as marching band practices, concerts, and adult sports clubs. During the recent spring season, a mere two months, over 40 games and track meets were held, *many of which didn't involve Edgewood teams at all.*

Surely there are other ways to shore up their enrollment that doesn't come at the neighborhood's expense.

Please oppose dissolution of Edgewood's Master Plan!

*Shawn Schey
878 Woodrow St
Madison WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Tracy Lewis <tracylewis55@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 8:20 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

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> Please do not let one institution set precedence for an entire city!
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> Regards
> Tracy Lewis.
> 706 Leonard Street

Stouder, Heather

From: Cathy Fagen <cfagen@charter.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 7:50 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School

Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate.

My name is Catherine Fagen and I am a business owner in Madsion with 20 employees. Edgewood high school is an asset to Madison and please support their right to be a high school like all other Madison and Madison area high schools. This high school is the oldest high school in our city in the same location and the different treatment they receive from other public institutions and even Breese Stevens..... hmmm quite a difference.

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: DAN R ANDERSON <dranders@wisc.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 6:35 PM
To: Mayor
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fw: Edgewood's attempt to pull out of the master plan

From: DAN R ANDERSON
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 12:42 PM
To: district13@cityofmadison.com <district13@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Edgewood's attempt to pull out of the master plan

Hi Tag,

We met at one of your fund raisers at a house I think was on Jefferson street near Edgewood. You gave an excellent presentation of the Edgewood Stadium situation-history to the present.

I strongly oppose Edgewood's attempt to pull out of the master plan with the neighborhood.

If they are allowed to do that, then all present and future master plans would be meaningless. It would set a terrible precedent.

I also oppose the changes that Edgewood originally planned to support through the amendment process. Definitely I am in the No New Stadium group.

Finally the way Edgewood is bringing this before the City Council/Planning Commission by threatening the Mayor and City of Madison with a religious discrimination suit has a blackmail type of feel.

Edgewood should return to the master plan amendment process and make their presentation to the Planning Committee,

I appreciate your efforts and so happy that you are ou Alder.

Dan Anderson
1521 Vilas Ave.
Madison, WI 53711

From: Tracy Lewis <tracylewis55@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 2:38 PM
To: Planning <planning@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Attention Heather Stouder Master Plan Edgewood

Please forward this to all members of the Plan Commission
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

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Tracy Lewis.
706 Leonard Street

Stouder, Heather

From: Catherine Jagoe <cajagoe@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 2:47 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan repeal proposal -- letter to Plan Commission

Dear Ms Stouder,

I'd be grateful if you could forward the following letter to the members of the Plan Commission for consideration before Monday's hearing.

Thank you.

Dear Plan Commission members,

I was deeply concerned to hear that the City is proposing to allow Edgewood to unilaterally exit its Master Plan, five years before it expires. Edgewood entered the Master Plan voluntarily, and made a contractual arrangement with the City to abide by it for ten years. While the Dudgeon-Monroe and Vilas neighborhood associations were not signatories to the agreement, they were equal partners in the lengthy and arduous negotiations for the Master Plan, and remain major stakeholders. The Master Plan represents a significant investment of neighborhood representatives' time. The negotiations took four years, and resulted in an agreement that all parties were happy with. It provided security for neighbors in guaranteeing the types of mutually-agreed development that would take place over a ten-year period. Edgewood has reaped considerable benefit, and constructed several major projects as a result. At the same time, the interests of the adjacent residential neighborhoods and the precious environmental resource of Lake Wingra were protected.

Now that Edgewood is proposing a major expansion to competitive use of its athletic field – which is not included in the Master Plan – the appropriate course of action would be for them to request an amendment from the Plan Commission. To allow Edgewood to exit its agreement after having reaped the benefits is a subversion of the public process. It sets a precedent that undermines the public planning concept of the Master Plan and the City's long-standing commitment to community engagement.

West High School, which is similarly located in a dense residential neighborhood very close to its athletic field, does not have its own stadium, and its students are bussed to Mansfield Stadium at Memorial High School and other locations for competitive events. The exact same arrangements that Edgewood High School claims as intolerable hardships on its students are the norm for the local public high school, which is four times as large.

I fear that if Edgewood is allowed to exit its Master Plan, the adjacent neighborhoods and Lake Wingra will have no defense from future disruptive and harmful development on the Edgewood campus.

I urge you to oppose this resolution at the Plan Commission hearing on August 26.

Sincerely,
Catherine Jagoe
2318 West Lawn Ave
Madison, WI 53711
(608) 709-5578

Stouder, Heather

From: beth <bmich44@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 2:44 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Field

Dear Heather,

Please Vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan.

I am in full support of Edgewood using its field to play games, use lights and build bleachers. High school sports are a positive thing for our community. It will also help sustain businesses on Monroe street by bringing in families to the area. Edgewood maintains a beautiful campus which is an asset to the community. We are talking about 800 people coming to a sporting event when camp Randell brings 60,000. I don't want to see tax dollars wasted by this goes to federal court for a discrimination law suit that the city will not win when other high schools and UW are allowed to use their fields as they wish.

Thank you,

Elizabeth Malm
4012 Hiawatha Drive
Madison, WI 53711

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Stouder, Heather

From: Diane <dkball701@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 1:52 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Athletic Field

I have been a teacher and educator all my life, and an owner of a family business that positively impacts economic growth in the Madison area. I see things from a variety of perspectives --- as a community involved citizen on many committees, boards, non-profits, and volunteer agencies. Everywhere I see EHS graduates as business leaders, philanthropists, volunteers, and involved community members.

Edgewood requires hours of community service from their students, and participates in so many community improvement programs. The school has been a community asset in so many ways for over 130 years!

The sports field is a part of education, including competitive games. It is NOT used year round. Games do NOT include alcohol. High school events do NOT host noisy crowds until midnight. And it is NOT a stadium that circles the field for thousands of people. It is a high school sports field to teach young people physical skills and healthy exercise, encourage participation and interacting with other young people from other communities, build lifelong friendships, host families who support their kids, and create a home field for efficient and hospitable events, --- saving time, money and stress. The field should provide a ticket and concession counter, bathrooms and locker rooms, and seating for supporting fans. The sound and lighting has already been altered and adjusted to meeting neighborhood demands, and the “stadium” is not a huge, circular bowl, but only along one side of the field. And when I look at all the greenspace, trees, and beautiful landscape that stills exists on the Edgewood campus, the neighborhood is lucky to have such a beautiful and diverse area to enjoy!

Finally, if the city can grant a permit for *The Naked Bike Ride*, where naked adults roll down State Street, past the Madison Children’s Museum, (inappropriate for families who are visiting), then around the Capitol Square (the spotlight of our State), and then all along John Nolen Drive (stopping a busy highway for downtown traffic), then how can they logically or respectfully deny Edgewood proper and appropriate use of their sports field?

The negative neighbors are the only ones who see the field as detrimental. The rest of the city residents can’t believe the audacity of the Plan Commission and City Officials to deny use of an educational facility. When agencies, school boards, city committees, business chambers, and equity advocates state that the priority is education and building communities around schools,
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.....**then practice what you preach!**

Diane Endres Ballweg, Class of ‘71

Aviation Teacher
Business Owner
Community Philanthropist and Optimist

Stouder, Heather

From: Mary Lou Nord <mary.lou.nord44@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 11:57 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fwd: Edgewood Master Plan Exit

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From: **Mary Lou Nord** <mary.lou.nord44@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Aug 13, 2019 at 5:04 PM
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan Exit
To: <hstouder@cityofmadison.com>

Dear Ms Stouder and Mr. Zellers,

My name is Mary Lou Nord. I live at 2332 Monroe Street, across from the Edgewood High Athletic Field. I oppose the resolution to allow the Edgewood campus to voluntarily withdraw from its Master Plan.

This master plan is the result of the Edgewood-Neighborhood Liaison Committee negotiating with each other for four years to create an agreement that would benefit everyone. To approve the withdrawal of Edgewood from this agreement would cause damage to trust in neighborhood cooperation.

Please consider the importance of keeping this master plan in place.

Thank you.
Mary Lou Nord

Stouder, Heather

From: Matthew Braun <mbraun@oakbrookcorp.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 11:19 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: EHS Vote

Dear Heather:

I am writing in support of Edgewood High School. As an alumni of EHS, I have been disappointed in the way the school has been treated regarding the use of the athletic fields for sporting events and education purposes. I am asking for your Yes vote in support of the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan.

Sincerely,

Matt Braun
811 Hiawatha Drive
Madison, WI 53711



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Stouder, Heather

From: Capital Time Health
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 10:13 AM
To: vnapresident@gmail.com
Cc: Bottari, Mary; Evers, Tag; Stouder, Heather; ajstatz2@madison.k12.wi.us; bacantrell@charter.net; erics@cows.org; jshagenow@yahoo.com; LedellZellers@aol.com; Lemmer, Lindsay; Rummel, Marsha; hiwayman@chorus.net; Heck, Patrick; All Alders
Subject: Proposed Repeal of Edgewood Master Plan

Dear Chris,

My name is Shawn Doherty and I have lived at 2121 Adams Street for 17 years. I am writing to urge you and the VNA to join your colleagues on the DMNA and Greenbush neighborhood associations in taking a stand and opposing Edgewood's latest move to wiggle out of its Master Plan.

I covered city hall for the Capital Times for four years and before then reported on politics for Newsweek and the LA Times, so I can imagine how difficult it must be to navigate all of the competing interests, pressures, and emotions that play a role in a zoning battle like this one. But irregardless of where you and other VNA officers personally stand on the stadium issue, I hope that the VNA makes it clear in a public statement that the integrity and independence of the city's zoning and planning processes must be paramount. I believe such a statement is especially necessary because of the misleading information that has been put out there.

Edgewood claims that the city "invited" it to exit the plan. That is misleading. Invitations are extended to tea parties, not lawsuits. As you must know, the city suggested this option only after Edgewood lawyers threatened to sue it. <https://isthmus.com/news/news/edgewood-takes-another-route-to-host-stadium-games/> RLUIPA is a federal law passed in 2000 that was intended to be used as a shield to protect churches and other religious institutions against discrimination. Instead it is being increasingly used as a hammer by organizations like Edgewood High School with a religious affiliation to shatter and circumvent local zoning regulations. Madison's city planners have a well-deserved national reputation for using the planning process to achieve that delicate balance between private interests and the public good. The result might frustrate developers at times but it is also one of the reasons our city is often chosen as one of the most livable in the nation. No matter how you and other officers at the VNA may feel about the stadium, not sticking up for the independence and value of this planning process and not denouncing this kind of bullying would set an alarming precedent.

It would also create an unbelievable headache. Many of us in the Vilas neighborhood worked for years on the current Master Plan, which builds on previous plans and addresses numerous concerns and issues from both the campus and nearby residents. These issues include stormwater protections, setbacks, parking, lights, and the construction of new buildings. My 98-year-old neighbor Betty McDonald tells me she's been dealing with Edgewood and some of this stuff for over 50 years! I can't imagine having to start over from scratch, especially after so many of us for so long negotiated in good faith and have had to tolerate the compromises reached, for better and for worse. After the dormitory went up across the street I've had to call Edgewood security and the police about property damage, theft, and noise. I deal. Even the young athletes Edgewood talks so much about know you win some and you lose some but you always play by the rules. You don't just quit. Such a move would poison relations and trust between the neighborhoods and campus and city for years to come. The VNA needs to point out that a far better path would be for Edgewood to resume its discussions with the collaborative working group and to continue to seek a compromise.

It is unfortunate that the August VNA meeting was canceled, because that would have been a great time to get feedback from the folks you represent. Perhaps it would be helpful if I shared with you what I learned last weekend, when I went around our side of the neighborhood to collect signatures for a Protest Petition against the zoning change that would allow Edgewood to exit its Master Plan. I contacted 12 households whose proximity to the Edgewood property makes them eligible to sign. Ten of the 12 households did so, which means they cared enough to go the trouble of attending a signing event with a notary public the next day. (Actually, make that 10 1/2. There was a split household.) Some of these people had ties to Edgewood. They were open to the idea of a stadium but "embarrassed" by how the campus has been treating neighbors. Every single person I spoke to except for a couple that had just moved into the neighborhood and didn't know

what was going on was upset, outraged even, that the high school is using the threat of a religious discrimination lawsuit to try to get its way. So, contrary to what Edgewood claims, opposition is not contained to a "small, vocal group" on just one side of the campus. It runs deep in our neighborhood too. Tag Ever's impressive majority last fall in Ward 66 is another indication of how our Vilas neighborhood feels, and so are the VNA's own Minutes from last fall, which show that most people who turned up for a discussion about the stadium were opposed to it.

A few days ago I looked up the VNA's Charter, which states that the Association's purpose is "the enhancement of the neighborhood's residential character and attributes and the promotion of camaraderie among the Neighborhood's residents." Both goals are in peril and both are worth fighting for. Thank you for having the courage, the patience, and the empathy to listen to and represent the views of residents like myself, even if they differ from your own or upset powerful stakeholders. Thank you for keeping your decision-making process open and transparent. And thank you for the hours I know you put into our neighborhood.

A neighborhood dispute like this can bring out the best or the worst in all of us. May it bring out the best!

Shawn Doherty

P.S. I'd appreciate it if you could forward this letter to your colleagues at VNA since I couldn't find their email addresses. Thanks to them as well for their work.

Stouder, Heather

From: Braun, David J <DBraun@tcfbank.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 10:11 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: hi Heather

Hi Heather,

Long time no talk. Hope all is well and you are still swimming like a champion.

Anyways, as a former Edgewood high school football player and University of Wisc football player I wanted to voice my opinion that you should **vote "YES"** to the motion to terminate Edgewood's master plan.

I want my two sons to be able to play sports at their home field like a kid attending Madison West or Memorial or any other high school in our great City. I never had that opportunity and looking back it is really unfortunate. We played our home games at Memorial high school getting ready at Edgewood and riding bus to the game. Not ideal.

I'll be very disappointed if this isn't resolved in short order. Thanks again.

David

David Braun Senior Vice President, WI Market Manager

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Stouder, Heather

From: Josh Gettle <jcg186@charter.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 8:50 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: FW: Letter regarding Edgewood stadium proposal
Attachments: Letter to Madison planning board - Josh Gettle.pdf

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Thank you for your attention. I am happy to discuss.

Josh Gettle
757-675-3835
2356 West Lawn Ave
Madison WI 53711

From: Josh Gettle <jcg186@charter.net>
Sent: Friday, August 16, 2019 8:02 AM
To: 'district13@cityofmadison.com' <district13@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Letter regarding Edgewood stadium proposal

Good morning Alder Evers,

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From: jcg186@charter.net
To: "hstouder@cityofmadison.com", "ajstatz2@madison.k12.wi.us", "bacantrell@charter.net", "jpolewski@charter.net", "jshagenow@yahoo.com", "ken.opin@gmail.com", "district2@cityofmadison.com", "melissaberger2@gmail.com", "hiwayman@chorus.net", "district14@cityofmadison.com", "district7@cityofmadison.com"
Cc: "josh.nappravnik@gmail.com", "josh.nappravnik@gmail.com", "fieldsrac@gmail.com", "district17@cityofmadison.com", "district13@cityofmadison.com", "prsoglin@cityofmadison.com"
Sent: Tuesday January 1 2019 9:21:06PM
Subject: Letter from Josh Gettle regarding Edgewood stadium proposal

Madison Planning Board,

Please see my attached letter regarding the Edgewood's Stadium Proposal - Happy to discuss.

Thank you

Josh Gettle

2356 West Lawn Ave

Madison WI 53711

To: Madison Planning Board
From: Joshua Gettle – 2356 West Lawn Ave, Madison WI 53711
Subject: Edgewood Stadium Proposal

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Edgewood is a private non-profit tuition-based school campus that resides in the Dudgeon Monroe neighborhood (www.dmna.org). I attended multiple meetings for the proposed Edgewood Stadium with my neighbors and Edgewood. Edgewood wants to have a permanent stadium playing field immediately adjacent to its neighbors on Woodrow and Monroe Streets in Madison. You must see the “practice field” location to truly appreciate what they are proposing to visualize the effect a permanent stadium will have on the Dudgeon Monroe neighborhood.

Personally, I believe you should be able to do whatever you want to do on your own property as long as it is not to the detriment of your neighbors. For example, I may want to divert rain water away from my house to prevent flooding in my basement, but I should not be able to divert my rainwater downspouts to my neighbor’s house and routinely flood their basement. Edgewood is proposing to do something very similar to the analogy above. My concerns about crowd noise, lighting and parking are below.

I have heard everything from the stadium will only be used for the High School Football team for a few games at night; to it will be used for 40 night games for various events; to it would be a great asset for the neighborhood and benefits many other organizations in Madison. I have a hard time believing that this stadium is only going to be used by the Edgewood High School which is why in the past I have asked the question concerning the number of events projected. Edgewood is going to want to maximize the return on the investment of this privately held asset.

I am very concerned about crowd noise. If we get lost in the technical solution provided in the presentation, it is easy to lose sight of the human impact (e.g. a crowd cheering for their team). It can be a vicious cycle of cheers of joy supporting your team when you are winning or being the “twelfth man” trying to prevent from your opponent’s team from being able to communicate. The average volume provided in the presentation (average over duration) is not a good representation of what my neighbors are going to experience from peak noise levels. If this is allowed to move forward, crowd noise is not enforceable, and the community residents will have to live with noise. This will have serious effects on my neighbors to the point I fear we will not be able to enjoy our residential properties, so this private, tuition-based institution can have a stadium in our neighborhood. We should be allowed to make enhancements to our properties, but not when they are to the detriment of our neighbors.

Personally, I do not want to see this neighborhood change. We chose this neighborhood because we recognized it was special. We do not want the noise and light pollution and other challenges the stadium is going to bring. Edgewood’s presentation was for 30 fc based on what they received from the group trying to sell them the solution. We saw members of the sales team once, and they were more Account Executives than engineers who would or could honestly answer questions when challenged on what was presented. Edgewood’s presentation was modeled for 30 fc of lighting.

I am disappointed there was not verification of the study provided to Edgewood to certify the results and assumptions made by the sales team trying to make the sale. The sales team is selling a solution and will assure Edgewood it will work for their application. Edgewood will implement the solution, and when it does not work as projected. Edgewood will request

additional changes that will invalidate what Edgewood presents to you and will continue to negatively impact its neighbors. For example, Edgewood will cite something like student athlete safety requiring the light illumination level to be raised to a higher value (50 fc is the NCAA recommendation). I do not want to see anyone get hurt due to poor lighting on the field because Edgewood decided to believe what is was presented.

I am also concerned about parking based what is proposed. Edgewood would like us to believe parking will not be a problem because they have sufficient parking stalls based on their estimates, but once people who are not local to the Dudgeon Monroe community figure out that it is faster for them to park in our neighborhood and walk to the stadium, they will park in our neighborhood, and they will walk to avoid parking on Edgewood campus and the associated traffic issues to them when they try to either get to a game or leave from a game. There is a reason we have 2-hour enforceable parking limits without a residential permit during the day on our streets near Edgewood's campus.

Finally, a point was made concerning what happens to property values if this moves forward. We have something special here today. Once it is gone, it is gone forever and there is no turning back. I firmly believe if this change is allowed to move forward what makes our neighborhood special will be gone. As a result, I believe property values will decline because of the negative effects presented, noise, parking, lighting, etc. The neighborhood will become a less sought location for families and the result is property values will decline. Who is left to absorb the financial impact when the revenue generating property taxes for the Dungeon Monroe neighborhood public school drop?

It would be financially irresponsible for Edgewood to invest additional funds to the existing "practice field" to see what the impact would be to neighborhood. Based on what the existing practice field looks like today they may have already been financially irresponsible, or maybe they always had the intention to have a permanent stadium in Dungeon Monroe even though this was not what was presented in its 10-year plan. Perhaps this was always the plan despite the damage Edgewood would cause to their neighbors. It is impossible for me to know what is in the hearts and minds of the people behind Edgewood, but it does not feel like they are living to up to their values.

Based on past their past performance with promises made (e.g. practice field used for games), Edgewood cannot be trusted to implement a solution that will not create problems for its neighbors. There are other places not in this peaceful, treasured, densely populated residential community where this private tuition-based institution can have a sports facility that would not be immediately adjacent to a dense residential community. We have something special here. Once it is gone, it is gone forever. Please vote no on the Edgewood stadium proposal.

I am disappointed I will not be able to attend the planning commission meeting personally. I will be out of state due to military commitments.

Thank you for your attention to my concerns,



Joshua Gettle
2356 West Lawn Ave

Stouder, Heather

From: Rachel Lander <rlander42@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 8:41 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: opposition to Edgewood withdrawing from the Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,

Thank you for the opportunity to write this email. I am writing to let you know that I oppose the Edgewood campus withdrawing from the Master Plan. My opposition is for the proposed stadium, and also because I think it is important to follow the integrity of the public process that has been previously agreed upon by all involved parties.

Thank you very much,
Rachel Lander
2310 West Lawn Avenue

Stouder, Heather

From: Larry Mandt <lmandt@tds.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 8:07 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fwd: Edgewood's request to repeal Master Plan

Begin forwarded message:

From: Larry Mandt <lmandt@tds.net>
Subject: Edgewood's request to repeal Master Plan
Date: August 18, 2019 at 12:27:29 PM CDT
To: district13@cityofmadison.com
Cc: allalders@cityofmadison.com

Dear Tag,

We definitely oppose this new attempt by Edgewood to bypass agreements and city regulations in one more try to get to build their stadium and host athletic competitions on their field in spite of the limitations in their Master Plan.

We live at 2254 Monroe Street, directly across from Edgewood High School. Over the years we have been supportive of Edgewood's expansion plans, even though it has negatively impacted us (for example, closing off Leonard Street, heightened Monroe Street traffic from the expanded parking lots (which also lost an expanse of green space on Monroe Street) and changing the entrances to the Edgewood Campuses all to enter off of Monroe Street).

We have participated in the many public hearings and discussions with the neighborhood and Edgewood since 2017 when they proposed this expanded use of the athletic field and construction of a stadium with lights, sound system, concession stands, dressing rooms, and increased bleacher size for increased attendance at those games. We do not think that Edgewood has conducted those talks in good faith, and when their attempts have been blocked, by the city and the Zoning Board of Appeals, they are now trying to escape from their agreement with the city and the neighborhood (the Master Plan) after many of their expansionary projects have already been completed. If the city council allows this to occur, we think that it will send a very negative message to neighborhoods about the city's good faith in neighborhood/CI negotiations in the future.

On top of all this, for Edgewood to raise the question of a suit against the city based on "religious discrimination," in order to be freed from the Master Plan, as we have seen in published sources, seems to us to add insult to injury, by implying we oppose this major negative impact on our neighborhood and the Lake Wingra watershed because they are Catholic.

Please do not let this proposal to repeal the Master Plan pass.

Larry & Catya Mandt
2254 Monroe Street

Stouder, Heather

From: Stouder, Heather
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 7:57 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: FW: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

From: Fruhling, William
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 12:12 PM
To: Evers, Tag <district13@cityofmadison.com>; Stouder, Heather <HStouder@cityofmadison.com>
Cc: Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>; Firchow, Kevin <KFirchow@cityofmadison.com>; Ethington, Ruth <REthington@cityofmadison.com>; Kurtz, Abbie <AKurtz@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: RE: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

Ald. Evers-

I am cc'ing Plan Commission staff to ensure that the Commissioners receive the email. Thanks,

-Bill



William A. Fruhling, AICP

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From: Evers, Tag <district13@cityofmadison.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 11:44 AM
To: Stouder, Heather <HStouder@cityofmadison.com>; Fruhling, William <WFruhling@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Fw: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

Dear Bill,

I note that not all Plan Commission members were copied in this email.

Thanks.

Tag Evers

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From: MBK <mbk_kef@yahoo.com>

Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 10:15 AM

To: ajstatz2@madison.k12.wi.us; bacantrell@charter.net; erics@cows.org; jshagenow@yahoo.com;
klanespencer@uwalumni.com; Lemmer, Lindsay; Rummel, Marsha; hiwayman@chorus.net; Heck, Patrick

Cc: Evers, Tag; No New Stadium Info

Subject: Repeal of Edgewood's master plan

Dear Members of the Madison Plan Commission,

On August 26th, you will consider repealing the CI zoning master plan for the Edgewood Campus (College, High School and Campus School). I am writing to request that you DO NOT repeal the Master Plan.

The city's master plan process established Edgewood's 10-year plan, negotiated in good faith with multiple stakeholders. If Edgewood did not mean what is in the plan, or if they now want to change something in it, they should be required to go through the designated amendment process. They should not be allowed to dismiss their commitments to the neighborhood and city.

I appreciate your consideration,

Bruce King
873 Terry Place
Madison
609-238-8005

Stouder, Heather

From: Ellen Taylor-Powell <etp2023@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 7:14 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Please share with all Alders

To All Alders:

We want to express opposition with Edgewood's request to withdraw from its campus Master Plan. The neighborhood negotiated in good faith. Allowing Edgewood to withdraw because it wants something not in the Plan undermines established city processes and democratic ideals. Neighborhoods and public input make this city strong. Please respect established procedures and processes.

Unfortunately, my husband and I are out of town on the 26th otherwise we would attend the Public Hearing to voice out opinion.

Thank you,
Ellen Taylor-Powell and Mark Powell,
Terry PL.
Madison

Stouder, Heather

From: SANDRA E WARD <sward@wisc.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 7:00 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: no stadium at Edgewood
Attachments: Edgewood Letter.docx

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Here is a message that I sent to my Alder Pat Heck.

Sandy

Date: 8/16/19

To: Alder Patrick Heck

From: Sandra Ward

RE: Releasing Edgewood College from its 2014-2024 Master Plan

Because I live on the East side of Madison I would not be directly affected by the noise and lights that my West side neighbors would experience if a stadium were to be built on the Edgewood campus, but I would be harmed by the fact that an agreement (the Master Plan) that was reached after painstaking work by numerous constituents can be rescinded. The precedent that would be set by allowing the master plan to be repealed is alarming. It would be a slap in the face to residents and would undermine citizen trust in city of Madison processes.

I OPPOSE the Edgewood campus withdrawing from the Master Plan.

Stouder, Heather

From: Imhoff Mickey <mimhoff08@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 6:58 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School Master Plan

I encourage the Plan Commission to **VOTE YES** to terminate the Master Plan for Edgewood High School.
Thank you,
Mikell L Imhoff 2 Quail Ridge Dr. Madison 53717

Stouder, Heather

From: Tracy Lewis <tracylewis55@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 9:52 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Exiting Edgewood's Master Plan

Dear Ms Stouder

I have lived adjacent to Edgewood Campus on LeonardStreet since 1988 and own a business on Regent Street. I am very dismayed hearing the news that the City has suggested Edgewood ask to exit the master plan negotiated in good faith with my neighbors after a four year process. I feel that Edgewood has exhausted all their efforts to convince the City they should violate their master plan and thus resort to idle threats of religious discrimination in order to get what they want. The City should not allow them to exit rather encourage them to ask for an amendment through the normal channel by going back to the Plan Commission

This sets a dangerous precedent going forward for the City managing development in all neighborhoods

Respectively submitted
Tracy Lewis
706 Leonard Street

Stouder, Heather

From: John Norsetter <jnorsetter@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 9:49 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: Rhonda
Subject: Edgewood's Request to Withdraw it's Master Plan

Dear Ms. Strouder,

Please distribute this to members of the Madison City Plan Commission.

As members of the Regent Neighborhood Association, and John a lifelong resident of Madison's near west side-Keyes Ave., Virginia Terrace, Vista Road, Kendall Ave., and now Rugby Row for 44+ years, we opposed the Edgewood Stadium proposal, and now their attempt to withdraw their master plan.

It feels like Edgewood has been either disingenuous or was doing poor planning when their running track was renovated, acknowledging that the neighborhood was then strongly opposed to a stadium, and now saying new technology of which they were unaware makes it, or should make it, acceptable.

Furthermore, the notion that Edgewood is entitled to have an on-campus stadium to help build school spirit is absurd. I graduated from West High School in 1963. None of the Madison high schools that existed then had an on-campus stadium, and the two that remain, West and East, still don't.

The assertion that this won't disrupt the neighborhood, including the tranquility of the Lake Wingra/UW Arboretum area is, I think, simply not accurate. Even back in the Edgefest days, noise from that event was noticeable and unwelcome.

Now, having been cited for violations their master plan, they want to withdraw it. Why, so they can host events that will not violate a master plan which has been nullified, but which events go to the very core of the objections to the proposed new stadium? Talk about a neighbor whose word is not worth the paper it is written on.

Keeping in mind the goals of maintaining the character of the neighborhood and holding institutions to their word, word which others have relied on, we hope that Edgewood will continue to be bound by its master plan, and that their proposed stadium does not become a reality.

Regards,
John and Rhonda Norsetter

Stouder, Heather

From: Schemmel, Judd <JSCEMME@amfam.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 8:52 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood HS

Good evening, Heather –

As a citizen of Madison, former President of Edgewood HS (2005-2013), and parent of an Edgewood Alum, I'm writing tonight to urge your support, and that of the planning commission for the ordinance submitted by the Mayor to allow EHS to opt out of its voluntary master plan.

The due diligence surrounding Edgewood's requests related to use of its athletic fields has been robust, comprehensive, and wide-ranging. And I think that's just what should take place. However, there comes a time in these discussions where conversation needs to cease, and decisions made. In my view, that time has come.

I fully understand and appreciate those opposing Edgewood's plans view that enhanced use of its athletic fields impedes upon their rights of use and enjoyment. What cannot be lost is that Edgewood is entitled to these same considerations. The fact that Edgewood is a school does not mean they relinquish this right, or that their expectation of use and enjoyment is secondary to its neighbors. Edgewood has been holding athletic competitions on its athletic fields essentially since the school's inception. I took part in athletic competitions on these fields, as did our son. During my eight (8) years as President of the HS, I can honestly say that I never fielded any type of complaint from either of the adjacent neighborhood associations related to these competitions. What EHS is seeking is a natural extension to the use of its athletic fields and this request deserves fair and equitable consideration.

I trust that those serving as leaders of our city will bring a clear and objective approach to this decision and bring this matter to fruition.

Thank you.

Judd Schemmel
7614 Sawmill Road
Madison, WI. 53717

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Stouder, Heather

From: Sue Statz <statz810@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 8:28 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fwd: Edgewood's Master Plan

Hi Heather,

I was told that you will forward my email below to the Plan Commission. Thank you for your help!

Sue Statz

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Sue Statz <statz810@gmail.com>
Date: Sun, Aug 18, 2019 at 12:45 PM
Subject: Edgewood's Master Plan
To: <allalders@cityofmadison.com>
Cc: M Scott Statz <scottstatz@gmail.com>

Good afternoon,

My husband and I have lived at 810 Woodrow Street for over the past 25 years and love our neighborhood. We are directly across from Edgewood's practice field and their bleachers. We, along with all of our concerned neighbors, have been in a battle with Edgewood over their proposed new stadium (including their request for lights and sound system). Thankfully, at the last Planning Commission meeting, it was determined that Edgewood should abide by the agreed upon 10-year Master Plan and follow the necessary steps to amend it - instead of ignore it.

As you know, Edgewood now wants to break from the Master Plan - which took 4-years in the making and was negotiated and agreed upon by all parties. It absolutely should not be broken just because Edgewood is not getting what it wants. The staff and students do not live in this neighborhood. They drive here from their homes (many outside Madison) and can easily drive to another location to play their competitive sports - just like East and West High School.

Through the years, the neighborhood has had a good relationship with Edgewood, allowing them to grow and enhance their campus in almost every aspect. Please drive down Woodrow Street and you will see that by allowing them to break from the Master Plan so that they can play competitive sports, as well as build a large stadium, with lights and amplified sound would be totally inappropriate for this neighborhood. As it is right now, we can hear every game (40 so far this year) being played on their field - even with windows closed and air conditioning on. We can hear people talking, coaches yelling and whistles blowing very easily. The field is not at ground level, it is at a higher grade which causes the sound to carry even further into our homes. If you would like to hear what it sounds like, I welcome you to stop by our house when they are practicing in order to better understand what we are experiencing.

If you have any questions for us, please feel free to contact Sue @ 608-358-8926 or Scott @ 608-358-8921. We are hopeful that the City of Madison will do the right thing.

Respectfully,

Sue Statz
810 Woodrow St
Madison

Stouder, Heather

From: Joan <jfnuge@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 2:59 PM
To: Evers, Tag
Cc: Mayor; Stouder, Heather
Subject: No to Edgewood resolution

I live in the Vilas neighborhood and I **do not** support Edgewood abandoning the 2014 Master Plan. This current tactic by Edgewood to abandon the Master Plan in order to get lights and a sound system, in order to rent out their field for profit gains, reflects a lack of respect for the neighborhoods, discourages future trust by all Madison residents and contradicts the legislative intent of the Campus Institutional District ordinance which was designed to balance the competing needs of institutions with the residential neighborhoods in which they are located.

Both Dugeon-Monroe and Vilas neighborhood have peacefully worked together with Edgewood for 18 projects since 1992. The Master Plan process has allowed Edgewood and its neighbors to coexist in mutual respect. I urge you to value this process and oppose this resolution.

Joan Nugent
1521 Vilas Ave.
Madison, Wi. 53711

Sent from my iPad

Stouder, Heather

From: Stouder, Heather
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 2:55 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: FW: Edgewood HS Master Plan

From: Jim Hartlieb <jhartlieb@firstbusiness.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2019 2:19 PM
To: Stouder, Heather <HStouder@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Edgewood HS Master Plan

Dear Heather:

As a Madison resident (29 Autumnwood Circle) I am writing to you today to ask you for your support and the Plan Commission's support of the ordinance that the Mayor introduced to terminate the master plan at Edgewood HS. The athletic field is an underutilized community asset. Terminating the school's master plan will be a step in the right direction towards fully utilizing the field, in alignment with the Goodman Family's wishes several years ago. Thank you – Jim



Jim Hartlieb

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Stouder, Heather

From: Bonnie Schey <bonitamarie@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 2:01 PM
To: Rummel, Marsha
Cc: All Alders; Stouder, Heather
Subject: oppose Edgewood zoning exception

Dear Marsha,

I am a resident at 1837 Helena Street and I urge you to vote against letting Edgewood exit their Master Plan in order to create a stadium. I am aware of the years of work between the neighborhood and Edgewood to develop their Master Plan, which has allowed Edgewood to go ahead with many development projects over the past 5 years. It is unfair to the neighborhood for Edgewood to now want to abandon their Master Plan because it would not allow them to create a stadium with amplified sound and lights. Such a stadium would be highly detrimental to the neighborhood (noise and light pollution) and might result in many more games taking place there if Edgewood decides to rent it to other teams.

Other Madison schools closely surrounded by a neighborhood, like West High School and East High School, do not have a stadium and their teams play offsite. Edgewood could do the same. Allowing Edgewood to dump their Master Plan and go ahead with the stadium undermines the City's zoning process and shuts out community input.

Please vote against letting Edgewood exit their Master Plan. Thank you.

Bonita Schey
1837 Helena St
Madison, WI 53704

Stouder, Heather

From: Lyschel Bersch <lyschelbersch@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 1:57 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

To all,

This is a copy of the email that I sent to Alder Bidar but I want to share with the rest of you. Thank you for your time.

Hello Alder Bidar,

First, let me thank you for the wonderful job you have been doing as our alder in supporting our collective thoughts over the past years. I am sure you are aware of the Edgewood issue with the stadium. I do feel that I need to add my disquiet about how Edgewood is handling the situation. They have been told no multiple times. Yet they don't seem to understand that answer and keep pushing to get what they want like a stubborn child. They don't care who they will hurt. I have been in a friend's house across the street during practice time and we had to go into a back room to be able to talk! I can't even imagine what additional lights and sound would do to the area. Not to mention that if they are able to get away with their plan it would open up the rest of the area to the potential of a stadium in their front yard! Or, basically it sends the message that if you have enough money you can just do whatever you want without following the rules.

I hope you stand with us in fighting this stadium.

Thank you for your time,

Lyschel Bersch

413 Grand Ave

Stouder, Heather

From: Block Walter <blockwally@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 11:56 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: In support of the Ordinance to Terminate Edgewood's Master Plan

Hello Ms: Stouder:

I would like to thank the Mayor for her offer to allow Edgewood HS to terminate its Master Plan. I offer my support for the upcoming ordinance as a homeowner in the neighborhood for 21 years.

In my experience, the neighborhood initially always rebuffs change only to embrace it later on. Twenty years ago the neighborhood fought against the SW Bikepath, raising concerns of traffic and bringing in people from other parts of the city.

15 years ago people raised traffic and lighting concerns when we proposed to work with the city to bring back the ice rink at Hillington Green.

But today the rink is considered a jewel of our neighborhood. Homeowners frequently describe the nearby bike path and ice rink when selling a home in our neighborhood.

I value the vibrant offerings nearby Monroe Street businesses and institutions provide to me. Likewise, Edgewood HS provides valued experiences in the Fine Arts, Athletics, and education that benefit the health of the whole community. I have no doubt a few football games and soccer games will only enhance our neighborhood further. This vibrancy is needed for the continued health of Monroe street businesses and restaurants. We need to bring in people from other parts of the city and region to remain healthy as a neighborhood and maintain the city's tax base.

Wally Block
426 Hillington Way

Stouder, Heather

From: ltheinz@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 10:46 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate

Dear Ms. Stouder,

We are writing to ask the Plan Commission to vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate Edgewood's Master Plan. We encourage the Plan Commission to listen to the voices in support of Edgewood from throughout the Madison area. The wishes of a small minority of neighbors should not outweigh the health and well-being of an institution that has existed on that site for more than 100 years. Madison residents deserve the opportunity to choose a strong, healthy private high school. A strong extra-curricular program is a vital part of any high school, and sports are one major piece of that programming. Edgewood students and their competitors deserve the right to compete on the field.

We look forward to the resolution of this issue. It has been a sad, divisive chapter and city leaders have far more pressing issues to be spending time on than whether a high school should be able to make use of its own property for its obviously intended purposes. Its time for the nonsense to stop and for Edgewood to be able to serve its students in the best way possible.

Thank you,
Terry & Elizabeth Heinrichs
Madison 53705

Stouder, Heather

From: Bremer, Caryl <caryl.bremer@edgewoodhs.org>
Sent: Tuesday, August 20, 2019 10:25 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood's Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder:

I am asking you to vote YES in support of the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood High School Master Plan. I am now a resident of Middleton, so I can't share my frustration with the Mayor or an Alderperson. My late husband and I sent our five children to Edgewood.

Although it was our choice to send them to a private school, we lived in a large home on the West Side of Madison for 49 years and hence paid substantial real estate taxes to Madison for those years. We always supported public school improvements because we felt our future community leaders would come from ALL schools. It is incomprehensible to me that public schools are allowed to provide their students with athletic facilities, in spite of noise, traffic and other annoyances, but a private school is not. Please help us achieve our goal!.

Mrs. Caryl F. Bremer

From: Angela Rydell <angela.rydell@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 1:47 PM

To: Stouder, Heather <HStouder@cityofmadison.com>

Cc: Angela Rydell <ajrydell@wisc.edu>

Subject: I urge you to vote AGAINST letting Edgewood exit their Master Plan

Dear Heather Stouder,

I am a resident at 217 E Sunset Ct here in Madison, and I urge you to vote AGAINST letting Edgewood exit their Master Plan.

Thank you!

Angela Rydell

Stouder, Heather

From: Hugh and Jenni Wabers <thewabers@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 23, 2019 7:36 AM
To: Stouder, Heather; info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Please vote YES

We are requesting that the city planning commission vote YES in support of Edgewood High School's ordinance to terminate.

Hugh and Jennifer Wabers
4625 Gregg Rd, Madison, WI 53705

Stouder, Heather

From: Karen Arkebauer <rockinjk@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 23, 2019 7:05 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood High School-Goodman Athletic Complex

I support Edgewood High School and the Goodman Athletic Complex, Please encourage the Plan Commission to Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate the Master Plan.

Karen Kuhlman Arkebauer
PO Box 146
Dodgeville, WI 53533
Rockknjk@gmail.com

Stouder, Heather

From: Dan Klabunde <danbklabunde@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 11:10 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Opposition to Edgewood Repeal of Master Plan
Attachments: Opposition to Repeal Planning Commision Letter.pdf

Heather - Please see the attached letter to plan commission members outlining my opposition to Edgewood's request to repeal their master plan. Thanks -

Dan Klabunde

August 22, 2019

Plan Commission
City of Madison
c/o Heather Stouder

Re: Opposition to Edgewood repeal of master plan

I am writing in opposition to Edgewood's request to exit the city-approved master plan for the Edgewood campus. I live on Terry Place which is approximately 300 feet from Edgewood's proposed new stadium. The construction and operation of a new stadium has the potential to impact my family and alter the neighborhood. The master plan is designed to balance competing interests which is especially important for a campus sited in a dense neighborhood setting with some houses almost bordering the playing field. I have serious concerns about amplified sound, lighting, crowd noise, game noise and environmental impact. And nothing has been done to alleviate these concerns. I would like to see independent studies done to determine the impact of each of these issues along with solutions to mitigate any impacts.

Additionally, I am frustrated with Edgewood's continued efforts to circumvent normal city processes. There already exists a process to amend the master plan for consideration of projects or purposes not already identified. It is unclear to me why the city has put forth a proposal to repeal the master plan when a remedy already exists. Despite this, Edgewood has chosen to ignore the amendment process in favor of a variety of other approaches including simply holding athletic events in violation of the master plan and filing federal lawsuits. Given this history, I believe it would be a mistake to reward them with a repeal of the master plan and reject the years of negotiations that went into developing the plan. This entire process seems to have become a zero sum game designed to produce only winners and losers. Much more effort and independent analysis is needed to understand what is at stake, what could be lost, and what options are available.

There is no precedent in the City of Madison for a non-enclosed stadium (i.e. no walls or sound barrier) in a dense neighborhood setting. Proponents of the Edgewood stadium have accused our neighborhood of a not-in-my-backyard attitude as well as an aversion to kid's sports. In my opinion, neither is true. Edgewood has been in our backyard for decades and the neighborhood has supported numerous projects. I have nothing against high school sports but there are other more important considerations. My 1.5 year old toddler has a bed time that aligns with the start of most evening sports events. What if the noise keeps her awake? We have enjoyed having owls' nests in our backyard – what if the lights and noise keep them away? The neighborhood isn't taking anything away from Edgewood. Football games and other sports events will still be played as they always have. Edgewood will still have the finest practice field anywhere in Madison. However, there is the possibility of major impacts to the lives of neighbors and our environment. Once the stadium is in place, the effects will be permanent. I urge considerable caution before making any decisions that minimizes neighborhood concerns. I urge you to reject repealing the master plan and provide leadership for negotiation and compromise on this issue.

Thank you for considering my concerns,

Dan Klabunde
841 Terry Pl

Stouder, Heather

From: Joan Fitzgerald <irishjoanmary@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 10:42 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Support of Edgewood High School

Ms. Stouder:

I am messaging you to ask for the Madison Plan Commission's support in voting for Mayor Rhodes-Conway's ordinance to terminate Edgewood High School's Master Plan and return to the standard CI (Campus Institutional) zoning, which would place it on equal footing with other high schools.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Joan Fitzgerald
4301 Bonner Lane
Madison, WI 53704

Stouder, Heather

From: Ann Rivlin <amfrivlin@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 9:07 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Edgewood master plan proposal

To the Plan Commission and Alders,

I am writing in opposition to Edgewood withdrawing from its master plan. I have been very troubled by Edgewood's blatant disregard for Madison's zoning rules. They knew they were violating their zoning by holding competitions on their field, yet they cared little for the fact that they were breaking the rules. Despite repeated notices that they were in violation, Edgewood continued to hold competitions on the field. Even after their appeal to the Zoning Board was rejected, they held competitions on the field. In fact, this very evening I was stuck in traffic on [Monroe Street](#) because of a competition on Edgewood's field. This is not a situation that sets a good example for anyone else in Madison—if you don't like a city rule, break it.

The request to no longer have a master plan furthers this bad example—if you don't like the rule, even one you wrote yourself and said you would follow as Edgewood described the planned use of its athletic field in its master plan, just ask for the rule to be cancelled.

This entire situation and the proposal to withdraw from the master plan is frustrating for those of us who not only strive to follow city rules and processes but also expect our municipal government to enforce its own rules.

Respectfully,
Ann Rivlin

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: sestark@wisc.edu
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 8:38 PM
To: All Alders; Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood high school master plan request

Hello, hardworking alders.

I am a resident of the Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood, on Gregory Street, and have been following the EHS appeals for use of their athletic fields closely for some time. I also value the Park and Pleasure Drive area on the border between the high school and college properties as a quiet walking and biking greenspace and birding area (some of which breed there), and am concerned about future disruptive development along Lake Wingra.

As a former resident and member of the Vilas Neighborhood as well, I firmly believe a master plan agreement is the best zoning vehicle for many such decisions.

Please deny Edgewood High School's request to exit this long honored agreement as a vehicle for resolution and compromise between our neighborhoods and institutions or businesses, public or private.

Thank you for reading messages from your constituents.

*Sandy Stark,
2720 Gregory Street
madison, Wi 53711
255-4195*

*Retired Lecturer, UW Madison, School of Business
Member, DMNA, volunteer, SW Path, Madison Parks
Regent, Vilas and DMN Resident since 1969*

Stouder, Heather

From: Jon standridge <jonstandridge66@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 4:56 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: letter to plan commission members
Attachments: letter to plan commission requesting not to rescind master plan.docx

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Please forward the attached letter regarding the action item regarding removing the Edgewood master Plan from city ordinances to members of the Plan Commission.

Jon Standridge
Cell, 608-669-8770

Plan Commission members,

I am writing to you regarding the request from the Edgewood educational entities to end their City Zoning Master Plan. I strongly urge you to oppose this request. For the past twenty years I, along with many neighbors have put in countless hours working with Edgewood in making good decisions regarding the use and improvement of the Edgewood property. All this effort has culminated in the current Master Plan which in my opinion is a great zoning tool. There have been numerous contentious issues over the years that are dealt with in the Plan. For example, Neighbors are very protective of Lake Wingra. Due to the slope of the Edgewood property and the nearness to the Lake, normal stormwater measures are not adequate. In the Master Plan these stormwater issues are clearly dealt with, outlining the extra precautions that must be taken to protect the lake. Without a Master Plan in place, the stormwater protections will need to be fought for every time Edgewood wants to build. Other potentially controversial issues are also dealt with in the plan such as; lighting, lot line setbacks, parking, traffic, enrollment numbers, numbers of full time students living on campus and landscaping. Having the Plan in place has fostered a great improvement in trust and communication between the Neighbors and Edgewood. The Liaison team, which is required by the Plan has been called the poster child for how neighbors and businesses can get along. Without a Master Plan to work from, I cannot see the Liaison team, (of which I have been a long time member) continuing. The unpleasant contentiousness of the stadium project will surely continue and probably worsen.

Up until the Stadium expansion and lighting request, the Master Plan has worked well in getting many large projects approved and built. When a project such as the playing field/stadium request is not identified in the Master Plan, Edgewood has the option of requesting an amendment to the Master Plan through the Plan Commission. This is the perfect solution where a group of commissioners, looking out for the greater good of the city can make a decision on controversial matters such as the Stadium.

While the recent filing by Edgewood of the RLUIPA lawsuit has certainly changed the landscape, I still urge you to take the risk of losing the lawsuit which I understand may cost the city close to \$1,000,000 if Edgewood prevails. Most of that money would go to the law firm handling the suit for Edgewood. That's about \$4 for each citizen of Madison. This seems like a great investment towards maintaining the world class zoning rules Madison enjoys. I would really like to see this well thought out Master Plan Zoning concept left in Place for Edgewood. I urge you to oppose Edgewood's request to retract the Master Plan and revert to Campus Institutional zoning. I would also like to see Madison fight the RLUIPA lawsuit in court.

Stouder, Heather

From: Susan Nicol <susanjnicol@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 4:22 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: have a heart-don't take away our peaceful enjoyment of life

Dear Alders-

We have lived in the neighborhood for 25 years, and have accepted many aspects of growth related to Edgewood campus that seemed part of normal growth. More crowded streets due to their need to park in our neighborhood as they grow. Even uncomfortable changes such as, at times, in winter, our school bus dropping off kindergartners can't even get down the street due to the increased space all the cars now occupy. We object to the rudeness sometimes offered up by their students as they come and park in front of our houses and throw garbage in the street, but we put up with it, and clean up after them. We support their mission, and we are here to help the teens grow into mature, responsible and considerate adults.

The effort however, to put in lights and a sound system to the former "practice field" is not one we cannot support. Night games, with lights and added sound is untenable. We don't want the noise, we object to it, and would recommend that Edgewood be considerate in this regard. They should think outside the box. Why not use a radio broadcast that people can "tune into" from their phones with earphones? Those of us who DON'T want to hear their noise should not have to put on headphones to block it out. Why don't they consider putting them on to hear whatever it is they want to hear? Being loud is obnoxious to those who don't care to hear the noise, and having to deal with it as often as is proposed is so rude and heartless. Games can be played without noise and lights. Have a heart. This is our life, where we come home from working long days to a few hours of peaceful enjoyment. Don't take that away from us.

Thank you.

A neighbor

Susan Nicol

2354 West Lawn Ave

1901 Commonwealth Ave

Stouder, Heather

From: Susan Nicol <susanjnicol@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 4:20 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: protect our peaceful enjoyment of life

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Stouder, Heather

From: Evers, Tag
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 4:11 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fw: Edgewood exit from Master Plan

Please add to the file.

Thanks.

Tag Evers
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From: gretchen twietmeyer <gtwiet@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 3:58 PM
To: Henak, Zachary; Evers, Tag
Subject: Edgewood exit from Master Plan

Dear Alder Henak

You have received a letter from me already urging you to deal with Edgewood's desire to exit its MP by amendment rather than resolution. I am now asking you to read Scott Spoolman's letter, sent today, which gives a more detailed picture of Edgewood's interaction with DMNA neighborhood, illustrating the benefits of MP process to work through issues rather than the route currently being taken.

It appears to me from the 'about' and 'development' pages on your alder page that you value environment, nature, nurture of children, thoughtful consideration of issues and working with your constituents to solve problems using best practices in keeping with the position of our mayor and my alder. Our bordering neighborhoods have much in common. At this point in my life I believe in bringing the indoors out and the outdoors in, which does not work so well in the noisy stressful environment Edgewood seems intent on developing.

A master plan is best practice for a CI district and there is no reason why Edgewood cannot seek to amend their MP if they feel it does not work for them as is. They did seek amendment in January but backed off before the plan commission hearing and, as I am sure you know, legistar contains a great trove of information concerning neighborhood quality of life issues. I hope you will support the mayor and the city in insisting that amendment is the proper way for them to go.

Thank you

Gretchen Twietmeyer
2260 West Lawn
Madison, WI

Stouder, Heather

From: Evers, Tag
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 4:10 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fw: Edgewood

Please add to the file.

Thanks.

Tag Evers

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From: Stephen Sanborn <ssanborn365@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 4:00 PM
To: Evers, Tag
Subject: Edgewood

Just want to let you know my husband Steve and I oppose Edgewood withdrawing from its Master Plan.
We appreciate your advocacy; keep up the good work!
Thanks!
Nancy and Steve Sanborn

Stouder, Heather

From: Brian Flad <bflad2326@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 3:51 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org
Subject: Edgewood High School

Dear Heather,

I hope this note finds you well. I'm writing today in support for Edgewood High School's athletic field plans. Frankly, I feel it's unfortunate that this is even needed but I want to respect the process and be part of a solution.

Edgewood preaches the importance of community ... I know because I attended EHS and it's one of the main reasons I've moved my family back to Madison. Edgewood teaches the values of community and how it's more than just "a place." It's something you take with you and build upon throughout your life. While my classmates all went separate ways over the years, six of my eight groomsmen ... on my most-important day ... were Edgewood High School graduates; life-long friends that bonded/matured/grew over time in and out of the classroom, on the field and on the courts. They are (and were) my community.

It's time. In fact, it's long overdue; however the process is the process and I believe - together - we ALL can be part of the solution. I believe there's a balanced, thoughtful proposal for field use and I believe EHS, as a good neighbor, has listened and made numerous alterations to the design. From state-of-the-art lighting to a low-decibel public address system and even reducing the proposed seating capacity, Edgewood has done everything possible to make this a positive experience for the students and neighborhood; for the COMMUNITY.

Let's let the kids play (and bond/and mature/and grow) on their home field ... at their home stadium ... together. I encourage the Plan Commission to support Edgewood's proposal ... to vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate the master plan.

Thank you for the consideration; it's greatly appreciated.

Brian Flad
1210 Redan Drive
Verona, WI 53593

Stouder, Heather

From: Cindy Schlichte <cindy@toolshed.org>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 3:26 PM
To: All Alders; Evers, Tag; Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood

To whom it may concern -

I'm writing today to ask the you protect the city planning processes with neighborhood input and urban natural areas by voting against the resolution for Edgewood to repeal their Master Plan. The proposed termination of the Edgewood Campus Master Plan, a plan which was developed in a transparent and rigorous process over considerable time among key stakeholders, would do disservice to that process and could undermine public trust in similar processes in the future.

Thank you for considering.

Best,
Cindy Schlichte & Alex Wong
513 S Randall Avenue

Stouder, Heather

From: Stouder, Heather
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 3:22 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: FW: Edgewood 's Master Plan

From: Sue Statz <statz810@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2019 11:55 AM
To: Stouder, Heather <hstouder@cityofmadison.com>; Mayor <Mayor@cityofmadison.com>; M Scott Statz <scottstatz@gmail.com>
Subject: Edgewood 's Master Plan

Dear Mayor Rhodes-Conway and Director Stouder,

My husband and I have lived at 810 Woodrow Street for over the past 25 years and love our neighborhood. We are directly across from Edgewood's practice field and their bleachers. We, along with all of our concerned neighbors, have been in a battle with Edgewood over their proposed new stadium (including their request for lights and sound system). Thankfully, at the last Planning Commission meeting, it was determined that Edgewood should abide by the agreed upon 10-year Master Plan and follow the necessary steps to amend it - instead of ignore it.

Unfortunately, we recently learned that Edgewood is requesting to terminate from the 10-year Master Plan so that they can move forward with their new stadium. The Master Plan took 4-years in the making and was negotiated and agreed upon by all parties. It absolutely should not be broken just because Edgewood is not getting what it wants.

As I am sure you are aware, our neighborhood has gone through so much over the past few years due to Edgewood ignoring the agreement. It has been exhausting. Please drive down Woodrow Street and you will see that a stadium, with lights and sound would be totally inappropriate for this neighborhood. As it is right now, we can hear every game being played on their field - even with windows closed and air conditioning on.

If you have any questions for us, please feel free to contact Sue @ 608-358-8926 or Scott @ 608-358-8921. We are hopeful that the City of Madison will do the right thing.

Respectfully,

Sue & Scott Statz
810 Woodrow St
Madison

Stouder, Heather

From: Stouder, Heather
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 3:22 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: FW: Edgewood renegeing on master plan

From: Judi K-Turkel <judi@booksthatteach.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 03, 2019 12:37 PM
To: Mayor <Mayor@cityofmadison.com>
Cc: Stouder, Heather <hstouder@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Edgewood renegeing on master plan

Please do not allow Edgewood to tear up its sworn obligations to keep to its 10-year Master Plan.

The Edgewood complex has for many years been trying to outgrow the bounds of its longstanding agreement with the city's Planning Commission to remain the small urban institution it was set up to be. The agreement acknowledged the fact that Edgewood was almost entirely surrounded by small residential properties whose owners wanted and expected traffic, sound and light levels to remain residential in nature. What Edgewood has in mind would clearly lower the value of these homeowners' properties immediately and should under no circumstances be approved by the city or any of its agencies.

Finding no other way to get what it wants right now within its lawful agreement, Edgewood is attempting to just tear up the agreement. We think that if the city allows this, no homeowner can ever trust the city entity again.

PS Please also direct this to members of the City Council.

Cordially,

Judi K-Turkel and Franklynn Peterson
3006 Gregory St
Madison WI 53711
608-231-1003

Stouder, Heather

From: Jessica Becker <bikerbecker@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 3:21 PM
To: All Alders; Stouder, Heather; Patrick Heck; Heck, Patrick
Subject: Vote against letting Edgewood exit their Master Plan

Dear Alder Heck,

I know you deeply respect neighborhood process and the way that master plans are developed. Please vote against letting Edgewood get out of the restrictions placed on them by their neighborhood Master Plan and vote against the new stadium.

**Thanks,
Jessica Becker
1143 E. Dayton St.**

Stouder, Heather

From: Stouder, Heather
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 3:21 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: FW: Edgewood should not be allowed to exit the master plan early and just ram a stadium through

From: Jamie Domini <jldomini@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 04, 2019 5:09 PM
To: Mayor <Mayor@cityofmadison.com>
Cc: Stouder, Heather <hstouder@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Edgewood should not be allowed to exit the master plan early and just ram a stadium through

Greetings Mayor,

I'm sure you are getting plenty of mail so I'll try to be brief and just let you know that CONSIDERABLE time, energy, and mostly good will have gone into this process for years. The idea that Edgewood can simply "peace out" and build their stadium is an unconscionable outcome.

This is a TERRIBLE precedent to set for the future. Edgewood reeks of GOP, Walker/ Trumpian tactics and should not be rewarded. Ultimately to them, the end justifies the means and they will do whatever they need to to push this through.

Edgewood High School has been a bad actor through the entire process, knowingly deceptive and manipulative from the start. There is plenty of evidence dating way back to before even the creation of the master plan that Edgewood intended to try and push through a stadium under the radar - process, good will, neighbors and surrounding natural area be damned.

Please know it is summer and many people may not be giving this their full attention. It is clear given all the past comments and opposition from the vast majority of residents in the area that this plan does NOT have much support from the neighborhood at all.

I'd ask that you **publicly** denounce this turn of events and actively move to thwart the addition of lights and amplified sound at the Edgewood complex. This is an environmental issue at its core.

Thanks for your consideration,

Jamie Domini
45 year neighborhood resident, daughter of Edgewood alum, West grad, and PUBLIC school teacher

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Jamie Domini
608-698-6908
2372 West Lawn Ave (less than 1 block from Edgewood)
Madison, WI 53711

We must be the change we wish to see in the world. ~ Gandhi

Stouder, Heather

From: Yael Gen <mizgen@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 3:07 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Oppose the proposed amendment to allow Edgewood Campus to withdraw from the Master Plan
Attachments: ygen_plancommissionhearing.pdf

8/22/2019

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I sent an email previously but noticed that much of it was deleted from the public comments. Please distribute this letter to the Plan Commission. Thank you.

To the Chair and members of the Plan Commission:

I moved to Madison in 1995 and my husband and I bought our first and only house here on Woodrow Street a year later. In the 23 years I have lived here, I've enjoyed the proximity to Lake Wingra and Monroe Street. I've watched the campus change and always left snow shovels on the porch so students could dig out their cars. I used the brand-new library at Edgewood College when my daughter was a toddler. In the past, the campus seemed like a good neighbor — working with the liaison committee to get their projects approved without destroying the fabric of the community.

No one is discriminating against the campus. The campus entered an agreement with the city and the neighborhood. They built everything they wanted — they were very specific about a “practice field” because they wanted to get approval from the neighbors — and now they can't get what they want so instead of playing by the rules (as good sports do) they want to change the rules. They are wealthy and powerful. And apparently, they think that that and 3 law firms is enough to get their way with the law. What happens when a developer in your district threatens a lawsuit? Make no mistake. This is not about the students, it's about Edgewood Inc. leadership telling one story to their supporters, one story to the Goodman Foundation and another to the neighborhood associations. They have been bad actors and bullies throughout this process but because it's athletics, everyone thinks it's okay.

Edgewood has destroyed the trust between the campus and the neighbors and allowing Edgewood to exit the plan erodes the trust in the City process.

We are engaged community stakeholders. Over 43% of Edgewood High School families don't even live in Madison. They don't pay property taxes here. Over 75% don't even live in this zip code — which extends to Fitchburg. The RLUIPA suit is folly. Edgewood is grasping at straws. A similar case (Marianist Province of the United States v. City of Kirkwood, EDMO, Sept. 7, 2018) in Missouri was rejected. Please visit the streets bordering the field before August 6. Please talk to Marc Gartler or Marie Trest or any of my neighbors whose front yards will literally BE the stadium. I just can't comprehend how the city of Madison could throw us under the bus. It's not for the greater good. It's for a private institution that charges \$11,000 a year in tuition. A school that is in a neighborhood but isn't a neighborhood school. No one should be able to wield religion and money as a cudgel to get their way. They have to obey the same laws as every other school—public or private.

I urge you to stand up for the neighborhood. I urge you to stand up for the Lake Wingra watershed. I urge you to stand up for community and city of Madison. We will be standing with you. Please oppose the resolution to permit Edgewood to exit the Master Plan process.

Respectfully,
Yael Gen
860 Woodrow Street

Stouder, Heather

From: Carl Makuch <Carl.Makuch@uwprovision.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 2:55 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: Ron Krantz
Subject: Yes in Support of ordinance to terminate

August 22, 2019

Heather Stouder,

I am writing this in support of sponsoring the proposed ordinance terminating Edgewood's Master Plan, and transitioning to the Campus Institutional Zoning. My hope is that the passing of this ordinance will precipitate the changes necessary to give these students the facilities they deserve. It is my strong belief that any institution of learning deserves the right to display the athletic talents of their students. How is it that every other school in the City of Madison is allowed to have illumination available to their athletic fields, but Edgewood High School is denied this right? For many years, Edgewood High School has been not only been accommodating to the neighborhood, but has also served as a beacon of stewardship and service to the community. As an alumnus of this institution, I encourage this council to consider the fairness shown to the many young men and women who represent Edgewood's athletic program.

I have watched my children learn and grow through athletics at Edgewood High School. I have grandchildren that are attending and will attend Edgewood High School. It is my hope that they are provided with the best facilities at the school they attend. As organizations grow they require updated facilities. This is not only for the enhanced experience, but also for the safety of our children as they participate in athletics. Fairness, safety, and experience are all key factors that should be considered when making your decision. I firmly believe that in everything we do, children should be our priority.

In my opinion, this opposition to letting our students have what is best for them is unreasonable. We are not dealing with an outraged community, we are dealing with a campaign by a minority of individuals who believe that the progress of this school would in some way cause irreparable harm. That a possible minor inconvenience is so damaging that it requires the most extreme measures. Edgewood High School has done its due diligence to have a reasonable dialogue with the community, investing in studies, and taking other measures to resolve the situation. It has become obvious that we have come to an impasse and the dissolution of the Master Plan is the best chance Edgewood has to accomplish their aims.

In the age where we worry about our children making the right decisions an avenue to athletics and extracurricular activities gives these young people the direction they need to continue to make good choices later in life. Let them compete. The decision not to let them compete deters these young adults from receiving the best education and experience that a school can provide. It interferes with them advancing in life.

Please take this matter serious and make the right choice. Let the kids play.

Yours Truly,

Stouder, Heather

From: Fr. Jay Poster <jayp@stjosephbaraboo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 2:18 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; Edgewood High School
Subject: Edgewood vote

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I urge the City Plan Commission to terminate Edgewood High School's Master Plan and return it to the standard CI (Campus Institutional) zoning,

Sincerely,

Jay Poster
2221 Hollister Ave.
Madison 53726

Stouder, Heather

From: Evers, Tag
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 2:15 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fw: I urge you to vote AGAINST letting Edgewood exit their Master Plan

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Thanks.

Tag Evers

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From: Angela Rydell <ajrydell@wisc.edu>
Sent: Thursday, August 22, 2019 1:45 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I urge you to vote AGAINST letting Edgewood exit their Master Plan

Dear allalders@cityofmadison.com,

I am a resident at 217 E Sunset Ct, and I urge you to vote AGAINST letting Edgewood exit their Master Plan.

Thank you!
Angela Rydell

-----Original Message-----

From: Ethan Brodsky <ethan.brodsky@gmail.com>

Sent: August 22, 2019 10:44 PM

To: Parks, Timothy <TParks@cityofmadison.com>; Stouder, Heather <HStouder@cityofmadison.com>

Subject: Comments on amendment to Campus/Institutional Zoning Ordinance

Ms. Stouder, Mr. Parks -

This letter is for the Planning Department and for the Planning Commission. Please pass it on to all members of the Planning Commission. It relates to a topic to be heard at the Planning Commission Hearing on 8/26.

I am writing to express my support for:

"2nd SUBSTITUTE Amending Sections 28.097(2) and (3) of the Madison General Ordinances to require conditional use approval in the Campus-Institutional District for the establishment, improvement, or modification exceeding 4,000 square feet in area on a zoning lot of any primary use and to require conditional use approval for the establishment, improvement, or modification of identified secondary uses."
(File #56981)

This change would address a number of issues with the Campus/Institutional Zoning Ordinance.

First, this change makes the operating principles of the CI District Zoning consistent with the rest of the city's zoning. In MGO 28.004 "Interpretation":

This ordinance applies to all land and land development within the jurisdictional limits of the City of Madison, Wisconsin.

(1) This ordinance should be interpreted as a permissive zoning ordinance, which means that the ordinance permits only those principal and accessory uses and structures that are specifically enumerated in the ordinance. In the absence of a variance or special exception, any uses or structures not specifically permitted by the ordinance are prohibited.

Almost every district in the city defines a list of "Permitted Uses", "Accessory Uses" and/or "Conditional Uses". This includes the Special Districts, with the only exception being the Campus/Institutional District, which has a list of "Primary Uses" and "Secondary Uses", but no definition as to how they are allowed. While many have assumed that the Primary Uses were "Permitted" and the Secondary Uses were "Conditional", this is not stated anywhere, and it is essential that this be clarified in the ordinance.

The problem is exacerbated by inadequate language in 28.097(2)(c) that allows such districts without a Master Plan to engage in any sort of development, construction, or changes in use, as long as they did not involve a building with more than 4,000 square feet of floor area.

The proposed amendment fixes this, clarifying that, for districts without a Master Plan, any development related to uses in the "Secondary Uses" list require a Conditional Use approval, consistent with what is required in other districts for uses other than the primary, intended, use of a parcel, as defined by its zoning.

It is also modifies the language for developments that are related to the Primary Use, clarifying that large developments that do not include enclosed buildings still requires the Conditional Use process if a district lacks a Master Plan.

It is clear that these changes are consistent with the original intent of the ordinance, as the city wrote the ordinance with the intent of encouraging Campus/Institutional entities to have a Master Plan and would not have intentionally allowed greater privileges for intitutions that lack them than institutions that have them. This is clear for a number of reasons:

1. In the "Statement of Purpose Section", the ordinance states that "The CI District is established to recognize the City's major educational and medical institutions as important activity centers and traffic generators, accommodate the growth and development needs of these institutions, and coordinate the master plans of these institutions with the City's plans, policies and zoning standards. The district is also intended to:

...

(c) Encourage the preparation of Campus Master Plans that enable adjacent neighborhoods and the broader community to understand the levels of development being proposed, their likely impacts, and appropriate mitigation measures."

2. All newly-formed CI Districts created after the formation of the ordinance were *required* to have a Master Plan, to be "approved as part of the map amendment."

While I strongly support this ordinance, I also would like to state that I oppose allowing Edgewood to be released from the agreements in its Master Plan.

The Master Plan encompasses much more than these questions of use and this ordinance is nowhere near adequate to eliminate the harm associated with allowing an institution to abrogate its Master Plan. I have written at length on this topic in a separate letter.

Finally, as long as I am writing, I would like to suggest an additional technical correction in an ordinance that relates to this:

28.091 SPECIAL DISTRICT USES.

(1)

"Table 28G-1 lists all permitted and conditional uses in the Special Districts, except that uses allowed within the Campus Institutional District are listed separately in Sec. 28.096."

This should read "listed separately in Sec. ***28.097.***"

Thank you for your consideration,

Ethan Brodsky

To: City of Madison Plan Commission, Chair and Members

From: David Abbott and B Angela Abbott, 2309 West Lawn Ave, Madison, WI 53711.
Friday August 23rd, 2019

Re: Meeting on Monday August 26th, 2019.

Item: Edgewood High School's motion to exit their Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder and members of the Plan Commission,

My wife Angela and myself implore you to oppose Edgewood High School's motion to exit their Master Plan. We have lived on West Lawn for 28 years and raised our family there. Like our neighbors, we love Dudgeon-Monroe. With sidewalks everywhere, we can walk to local parks, lake, stores and eating places, including Michael's. It is a quiet, calm, but energetic and family-friendly neighborhood. Living one block over from Edgewood High School's playing field, we have long learned to tolerate the intermittent intrusion of noisy games on weekday evenings and on Saturdays. These have become noticeably more frequent.

So we were appalled to learn earlier this year that Edgewood was circumventing its Master Plan and planning to erect a new stadium with sound and light systems to enable more games, including at nighttime. Unable to do this without due public process, Edgewood is now requesting you to exit its Master Plan so that it can impose crowds and noise pollution on us that recent studies show will damage our mental wellbeing. We have such respect for the public process that led to the approval of Edgewood's current Master Plan, and the balanced co-existence and wellbeing that it achieved in our surrounding neighborhoods, that we cannot believe that Edgewood would ask you to trash this process, and our public trust in it, for their own selfish ends. At issue is not the occasional high school football or soccer games, but the future scheduling of many more games and events with piercing sound system and searing stadium night lighting designed to hype up much larger crowds than currently turn up. Edgewood is fully aware of the suffering this will inflict on us, its long co-existing neighbors. Still, Edgewood ask you to circumvent a trusted public process to impose this blight on us. We implore you not to grant this request. Instead, guide Edgewood High School to engage in the trusted and open public process so that it is transparent as to what they are proposing and what alternatives can be proposed. You will then enable a better environmental outcome for all and provide a clear indication that due public process is real.

Thank you.

David Abbott (dhabbott007@gmail.com)

B Angela Abbott (dhabbott007@netscape.net)

Edgewood High School (EHS) has twice promised not to build a stadium.

It is well documented that Edgewood agreed not to build a stadium in 1992 in talks that resulted in the Master Plan program that is still in force after 22 years. That was what the neighborhoods around Edgewood got from the agreement along with the less important predictability in campus changes. Edgewood got a much-streamlined process for city approval of new buildings. DMNA has supported all 15 major building projects completed over the years. If all Edgewood's new buildings are to remain, in fairness the stadium should not be allowed.

More recently, it is also well documented that Edgewood High School renewed its agreement to use its athletic field only for gym classes and as a practice field in the current Master Plan. Neighbors have surmised it was because they knew the neighborhoods would not have signed off on it. Now that they have gotten their Plan-approved building project, they want to abrogate the agreement in order to build the foresworn stadium. Shameful! Even more problematic in the long term is the precedent set if they are allowed to terminate the agreement before its end date. It calls into question the reliability of these agreements and trust in city officials. It would be a shame as this process has worked well for all for many years and replaced an acrimonious one we are very reluctant to go back to.

It is laughable that Edgewood's sports program is religious in nature. Looking at West High, within a mile of Edgewood and with a similar campus (as does East High) in a similar residential location—and also without a stadium—points to the practical reason why EHS shouldn't have a stadium, and especially in the stadium's worst possible location (see below).

The behavior of EHS without a Master Plan is easy to imagine. There appear to be few brakes on the stadium—and potentially other aspects of the location in the middle of a residential neighborhood. I strongly urge you to oppose their early withdrawal from the Master Plan and to work to make sure that an unbending entity with no concern about its neighbors—or even to engage in discussions--isn't allowed to ride roughshod over the interests of its neighbors.

Neighborhood impact: a nightmare location for a new stadium

It is the worst possible location on their too small campus, right at the edge of their property along 2 streets lined with small-lot houses. More than 80 households within 30 to 250 yards would be seriously affected by a heavily used playing field literally on their doorstep. This spring EHS held nearly 60 competitive events in 2 months (not counting those held outdoors the rest of the year, notably football). If they begin using their portable sound system for practices or rent out the stadium, the impact will be amplified.

With a stadium neighbors would experience extreme degradation of quality of life. They wouldn't be able to use their yards or open their windows without the equivalent of being in the bleachers for a game in which most have no interest. Technical data on a professional sound study commissioned by No New Stadium showed that any event drawing a crowd and with a sound system would greatly exceed the current noise ordinance and on an extremely frequent schedule. For instance, it predicts 150 people alone will exceed the noise ordinance @ 65 decibels. Soccer with only 100 people at the field would be 80 decibels, again with no sound system or the music commonly broadcast over stadium sound systems. Most events would far exceed these examples of course.

The irregular roars of the sound system and crowd would extend to a much larger portion of the neighborhood. Last spring I was painting a fence on a windless sunny day when a track meet started. I know because, at 4 blocks away, I could make out the referee's almost continuous announcements. That is at an annoying level if it is as frequent as it would likely be, and competes even with conversation outdoors.

In addition, the tall lighting would disturb sleep of nearby residents—and wildlife--according to a study by No New Stadium. The crowds for a big game will likely clog surrounding streets for parking and traffic and provide late night entertainment for those same residents as they leave. We can't assume that all Edgewood parking would be available for every competition.

The home stadium would have no significant positive impact on the EHS Community. Less than 25% of their students come from neighborhoods around EHS (I understand that the 25% includes all of the 53711 zip including Fitchburg) so nearly all would be getting into a car to attend any large competition whether it's at Edgewood or elsewhere! The field could be successfully located anywhere within a few miles as it has been at Middleton without inconveniencing anyone more than a few minutes.

It seems likely that a stadium sales pitch would only net them a few students who can't make the team at larger high schools. School spirit is nebulous and not really location based as public school staff will tell you. Further, it is unlikely a small school of 500 or so will be a football powerhouse, the probable goal. Lastly, high school football is widely observed to be on a downward path since the revelation of physical damage to players more than a decade ago.

A Stadium just a distraction from EHS core tasks

This project is an obvious distraction from the school's core mission: providing a quality small college prep school with excellent teachers and attention to each student. That is what will get their students into good colleges and attract more students. Fights & lawsuits with neighbors over the stadium's impacts will take a lot of time and money from other tasks like marketing the superior college prep experience needed to increase the small

enrollment. The poisonous atmosphere will take a terrible toll on needed future cooperation with the neighborhoods.

A Chronology of recent EHS behavior

EHS began to talk at the periodic liaison (with neighborhood reps) committee meetings about a stadium approximately 6 months after the current Master Plan was signed, fueling suspicions that this EHS strategy was used as they knew the neighborhoods wouldn't allow a stadium in the Master Plan. They refused to engage in a discussion of compromise, or even neighborhood concerns voiced at the public hearing, at Edgewood-Neighborhoods Liaison meetings and refused repeated attempts by the Dudgeon-Monroe Neighborhood Assn. (DMNA) president last fall to begin a more formal discussion—or any discussion at all—to find a compromise.

EHS told us at the fall 2018 public hearing for a Plan Commission presentation that they could no longer play at Middleton and they had been unable to find another venue. Edgewood created the crisis: Per Middleton High officials EHS stated they wanted their own stadium and refused to begin negotiations for another contract. Middleton told us they would be happy to take EHS back. If that falls through, 5 or 6 suburban highs are within driving distance with stadiums bordered by cornfields. An urban industrial area could also be considered.

EHS orchestrated a November and December daily letter to the WSJ editor campaign by parents that routinely disparaged the neighbors and never mentioned any neighborhood impacts. Only in February did EHS agree to talks with the neighborhoods, then shot down all ideas presented for compromise, and ended the talks midstream. They also attempted to evade the Master Plan prohibition by dropping the buildings, and unsuccessfully requesting a permit for the lighting. A sound system and bleachers apparently are beyond city control. The 3 features would have given them a functional stadium and even the two would have allowed stadium size events. Shockingly easy!

Then they began to play competitive events at the athletic field all spring in clear violation of the Master Plan. This summer they tried in vain to convince the city Zoning Commission that the stadium was never really denied in the Master Plan. And now a lawsuit contending religious persecution! Edgewood High School is behaving as though the world owes them exactly what they want regardless of how it affects others.

Worries for the future

I—and many of my neighbors—are very upset about the gap in city ordinances. That Edgewood could have a functional and fully impactful stadium with only a lighting permit is horrifying. We apparently need a definition of a stadium that lists those elements (a sound system, special lighting, and/or a large quantity of seating) alone as constituting a stadium, as those are the

elements that drastically impact neighboring homes. Obviously such stadiums must have close regulation in operation as well.

We are also very concerned about the enforcement of the noise ordinances. According to the Zoning staff, the police enforce the ordinance if and when they have time as a low priority. Since virtually all competitions will exceed the city sound ordinance of 60 decibels in a residential setting, this sets neighbors up for endless monitoring, fruitless complaints and frustration. Efforts this spring to report game violations didn't go well. Clearly the ordinance does not deal with an extreme and regular violator and the Police Department hasn't the time or tools to enforce it effectively.

And dealing with EHS without an enforceable Master Plan, whether it is now or at the end of the current Master Plan period, is an alarming proposition as we would have little leverage. A number of operational concessions Edgewood has made over the years would be unenforceable and it is clear that they have no interest or concern for their neighbors or regard for municipal rules. With apparently failing schools, who knows what they will do? For instance, Edgewood initially outlined a larger stadium with 1200 seats and expressed interest in renting out the stadium to other schools and non-sport events. Edgewood College has just moved its weekend continuing education program from a remote location. Other changes may be in the offing.

I hope this will be helpful,
Ann Clark, former DMNA President

From: Brian Downey <brian.downey@stratcomm.us>

Sent: Friday, August 23, 2019 11:57 AM

To: Stouder, Heather <HStouder@cityofmadison.com>

Subject: Request to have the City Plan Commission vote YES in support of the motion to terminate the Edgewood Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder:

I am writing in support of the improvements to Edgewood Athletics facilities and, specifically, approval to terminate its current Master Plan (as the City suggested and now is balking at). As a long time Madison resident with a student currently enrolled in Memorial High School, I have been disappointed in the unequal treatment Edgewood has received compared to other academic institutions in Madison. In my 20+ years in Madison, I have attended a Council meeting only once and never asked to speak. I will be attending the upcoming meetings to speak in favor of Edgewood receiving fair, unbiased treatment and holding the City to doing what it has promised in this process at a minimum.

Sincerely,

Brian Downey

3502 Country Grove Drive

Madison, WI 53719

Rachel Durfee
848 Woodrow Street
Madison, WI 53711
(608)231-3115

August 22, 2019

Dear Mayor Rhodes-Conway, Madison Alders, Madison Plan Commission and City of Madison Planning and Zoning Departments,

I am writing to ask you to:

- 1. Oppose the resolution which would allow the Edgewood Campus to voluntarily withdraw from its Master Plan.**
- 2. Re-write/amend the Campus Institutional Zoning Code to clarify its intended purpose and close the unintended loopholes (ie. amending sections 28.097(2) and (3) to require conditional use approval)**

Allowing Edgewood to abandon the Master Plan would go against the legislative intent of the Campus Institutional District Ordinance, which was designed to protect the City's interests, as well as the City's ability to balance the competing needs of the campus institution and the neighborhoods in which they are located.

Edgewood High School's Objective is to create an Athletic Complex that is WIAA compatible and to play all of their home games (day and night) on this field. To do this they need **80 foot lights** and an **amplified sound system**. They want to expand the current bleachers to the scale of a **grand stand for 1300 people**, with a press box, concessions and storage.

As a person who has lived on Woodrow Street for 25 years, adjacent to the Edgewood Campus, the use, value and enjoyment of my home is directly affected by what happens on the Edgewood Campus and will be directly affected by this decision. Homes lie within 100' of the field and campus and have an involuntary front row seat to every game and practice. The large increase of games to 40, hosted by Edgewood this year were disruptive to myself and my neighbors in terms of traffic, parking, noise, the use of portable sound systems and crowd behavior. Over the years, we neighbors have said "yes" to a lot of development on the campus. Development of the field into a stadium is a major issue that I have always vehemently opposed as completely incompatible with this historic neighborhood.

Edgewood's desire for a Stadium is nothing new. During the development of Edgewood's first Master Plan of 1997, Edgewood High School proposed the same plans for the field. This idea was rejected and dropped during Edgewood's discussions with the neighborhood as incompatible with the neighborhood.

The Current Master Plan (dated 2014, approved in 2015), which was negotiated in good faith by all involved parties, does not include light, sound or the grand stand. The Master Plan defines the use of the field to be for practice and physical education classes. **Edgewood knew that expanding the use of the field for games, as well as the addition of stadium lights, amplified sound and a grandstand were opposed by the neighborhood.** Edgewood High School President, Mike Elliot, in *The Wisconsin State Journal*, in a June 15, 2015 article about the field rebuild, stated that understanding. "We're between two neighborhood associations.

They have been vehemently opposed to us having lights or playing games here.' he said. 'We're really building this to be able to give our athletes the practice facilities that provide the best surfaces possible to expand the amount of outdoor practices we can hold especially in the spring. That is our focal point.'" Thus, **Edgewood specifically chose the words "team practices" and "physical education classes" as the only two approvable uses of the field in the Master Plan.** They are now trying to claim that those two uses "imply" or "obviously include" playing games. They do not.

In 2016 Edgewood came back with the proposal to turn the field into an "Athletic Complex" that is WIAA compatible, complete with **80 foot lights** an **amplified sound system** and a **grand stand for 1300 people**, with a press box, concessions and storage building. In anticipation of this plan happening, Edgewood shifted playing the bulk of its home games to the Edgewood Campus (in violation of its Master Plan).

After the neighborhood once again opposed this proposed expansion as incompatible, Edgewood started its quest to get around the Master Plan and the Zoning Code. Edgewood proposed and then withdrew from amending its Master Plan. Next Edgewood tried to get a building permit for the 80' pole lights and amplified sound system to end run the Zoning Code and process. Next, Edgewood appealed to the Zoning Board.

During the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting on July 11, 2019, Edgewood sought to appeal a City Zoning Department determination of non-compliance with Edgewood's Master Plan. The non-compliance was due to Edgewood's playing games on the field that had been defined in the Master Plan as a field for "practice and physical education." During the meeting, the Zoning Department clearly stated that **the purpose of the Master Plan is to protect the City of Madison's interests and to enable the City of Madison to balance the interests of the Campus Institutional entity and the neighborhoods.**

At that meeting a major flaw and loophole in the City of Madison's Zoning Campus Institutional district was exposed. That loophole, according to the Zoning Department, is that if a Campus Institution entity were to withdraw its Master Plan, then it can freely build anything that is less than 4000 sq ft of interior space without the need for a Conditional Use Permit process. For Edgewood, this would give them the ability to erect the 80' pole lights, amplified sound and grandstand seating for any number they choose without having to go through a conditional use process. There are a whole lot of things that Edgewood, or any Campus Institutional entity could do that would be below this trigger of a Conditional Use Process. At the same time, free from a Master Plan, Edgewood High School (or any Campus Institutional entity) would be free from the requirements and provisions defined by the Master Plan.

This loophole goes against the whole purpose of the Zoning Regulations, to protect the City's interests and to enable it to balance the interests of the Campus Institutional entities and the neighborhoods.

As a resident and neighbor of Edgewood, I count on you to protect my interests and to protect the trust I have placed in the city regulatory and input process. **It is for these reasons that I ask you to oppose the resolution which would allow the Edgewood Campus to voluntarily withdraw from its Master Plan and to re-write/amend the Campus Institutional Zoning Code to clarify its intended purpose and close the unintended loopholes.**

Thank you,

Rachel Durfee

848 Woodrow Street
Madison, WI 53711

From: yvette jones <yvettedesigncraft@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, August 24, 2019 8:20 AM

To: Planning <planning@cityofmadison.com>

Subject: No stadium

Inserting a football stadium into a tightly planned neighborhood makes no sense. The surrounding families will have their home lives disrupted incessantly. Edgewood was previously willing to honor their commitments and work with the neighbors. They should not be allowed to change the tenor of the neighborhood in a desperate attempt to attract more students.

Thank you,

Yvette Jones

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Yvette Jones

(608)251.7501

From: erichschmidtke@yahoo.com <erichschmidtke@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, August 23, 2019 11:44 AM

To: Evers, Tag; Holmes, Natasha

Subject: Fw: Important EHS Field Update

Hello Tag and Mayor's Office,

Here's a message I received from Edgewood College about them filing a discrimination lawsuit against the City because of unequal treatment in denying them use of their athletic field (see below). I don't think City resources should be spent in fighting this, let's use the money instead for something beneficial like Parks or services.

I haven't understood this controversy from the get-go, why all the yard signs in opposition? Madison Memorial High School plays games on their fields, including night games sometimes, UW Madison plays games that completely overwhelm this neighborhood... pretty much every school in the state plays games at their facilities, why can't Edgewood? Edgewood has been a good neighbor for many years and generously lets neighbors use their track. I feel somewhat shabby at how this neighborhood has treated them. Please do not use any City resources to continue this misguided fight.

Erich

Proposed Stadium, Edgewood High School

Plan Commission, c/o Heather Stouder,
hstouder@cityofmadison.com

Madison Alders
allalders@cityofmadison.com

Marie Trest
2310 Monroe St
Madison, WI 53711

August 22, 2019

Dear Alders and Members of the Plan Commission,

I urge you to oppose the resolution to allow Edgewood to repeal its Master Plan.

When the City of Madison developed its new zoning ordinances, there was never any intention of allowing an entity to abandon its Master Plan agreement. Edgewood has benefited from its Master Plan by completing building projects approved therein; they should not be allowed to take those benefits without accepting the limitations they wrote into the Master Plan to gain approval. **If they would like to change something now, the City has provided a mechanism – the Master Plan amendment process.**

Edgewood's Master Plan was negotiated over four years with the surrounding neighborhood associations and the City with the background of decades of discussions. Neighborhoods are the building blocks of Madison, and our zoning laws have been carefully designed to weigh the benefits of a potential development against the harm it could cause surrounding neighbors. Further, there is a space in the process for neighborhood input. Edgewood is trying to make an end run around their neighbors.

In a broader perspective, **if the City allows Edgewood to repeal its Master Plan, any agreement made with other entities will be undermined.** Public faith in zoning agreements will be lost. What would it mean if an institution could create a 10-year plan, develop buildings carefully negotiated against other policy and use, and then walk away? This is what Edgewood is demanding. The City should uphold the law, even facing the threat of a lawsuit, as essential to our democratic processes.

I would also like to share my perspective as a Monroe St homeowner with property overlooking and within 100 ft of the Edgewood High School practice track and field. Neighbors are experiencing harm from the illegal uses of practice field. I ask that you **oppose any expansion of the facility due to the harm it causes to the livability of neighboring properties.**

Homeowners surrounding the proposed stadium do not oppose it because we fear what conditions might be like; we object to the stadium because we know what a stadium would mean, having already experienced disruption in our homes and properties during games and practices held on the field since the 2015 changes to the field.

These are views from our home. Note that there is no buffer whatsoever between many homes and the field - contrary to Edgewood's claims of trees blocking light and sound.



Bedroom view



Living area views

Before 2015, there were about 4-6 lower level games in the fall (JV/freshman football) and 4-6 JV girls soccer games in the spring, and sometimes even less than that. These games were more of the nature of a practice with low attendance.

In the spring 2019 season alone, I documented over 40 games. All of these games occurred with Edgewood having been given notice that no competitions were allowed under their Master Plan agreement. Edgewood has shown they will not follow the rules.

Some of the games had nothing to do with Edgewood at all including the regional college lacrosse tournament that lasted 7 hours. This is not just about a few football games but about monetizing the field at the expense of surrounding residential neighbors.

As one example, this video of boys soccer, linked below, was filmed Oct. 25, 2018 at 5:23pm, with no zoom, from an open bedroom window as would typically be the case in spring, summer, and fall. Before filming, I took sound measurements using the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Sound Level Meter app on my iPhone. This app has operated within +/- 2 dB of a calibrated sound meter, so readings provide a reasonable estimate of noise, and these levels are consistent with the professional sound studies performed by experts for neighbors and Edgewood itself.

<https://youtu.be/v6lqzhcy-zg>

Crowd noise was above 70 dB throughout the cheering with peaks above 80 dB *in our home* with the existing conditions. I have measured 84dB level noise during other games inside our home with crowd sizes of less than 200. The Madison Noise Ordinance limit is 65dB. They were using a portable amplified sound system to announce players; however, the amplified sound is almost completely eclipsed by the crowd noise. I did not take sound measurements at the loudest parts, since I was filming. Please note the increase in sound at 0:31 when the goal is scored; this is what has been so disruptive about the games played on the field.

This event disrupted our family's evening. My husband was up at 3:30am in Afghanistan, where he was deployed, to 'join' us via video chat for a rare family dinner. By 5:15pm Madison-time, *the noise in our home with the windows closed was so distracting that we gave up on having a family conversation.* The increased frequency of game events on the Edgewood High School practice field have so negatively impacted the livability of our property, whether gardening, relaxing on our back porch, watching a movie, or sharing a meal, that we had considered moving and converting our much-loved home into a rental property even before the stadium proposal was formally submitted.

Technological fixes cannot mitigate crowd noise; allowing Edgewood High School to increase the capacity of the stands to 1200, with no daytime limits of use, and to expand their hours of field use by installing 80 ft high mount lighting would create a burden on the surrounding neighborhood and further harm our ability to enjoy our properties. Even practices, which could utilize lights every day, are audible in surrounding homes with repeated whistles (above 70dB) and group chanting.

I appreciate your time reading my concerns as a neighbor. Edgewood's desire to develop a stadium is simply incompatible with the proximity of residential property and would create an unreasonable burden and harm to neighbors. A stadium is not a necessity at this location, Edgewood has other options. I hope the city will reject the resolution to repeal to Edgewood's campus master plan and enforce current zoning agreements.

Sincerely,
Marie Trest

From: pat.patwilliams@gmail.com <pat.patwilliams@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 7:58 AM
To: Stouder, Heather <HStouder@cityofmadison.com>
Cc: All Alders <allalders@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Vote FOR Tag Evers proposal to amend city ordinance item 10 and vote NO on item item 14, repeal of Edgewood's Master Plan

I live at 1916 Keyes Avenue, Madison 53711.

Please vote YES on Alder Tag Ever's proposal to amend city ordinance governing institutions without a Master Plan. I believe this is item 10.

Please vote NO on repealing Edgewood's Master Plan. I believe this is item 14.

If the Master Plan is repealed, you will then repeal all the neighborhood contributions it has made since Edgewood's Master Plan first developed in 1997. Edgewood and a neighborhood committee have been meeting monthly since 1997.

Edgewood High School in June walked away from discussions with the neighborhood despite hiring a facilitator to help resolve issues. I've included a link below with the minutes of the meetings.

In addition, I've included a link to the 2014 Master Plan and selected neighborhood involvement. As you can see, repealing the Master Plan also repeals the vehicle for neighborhood discussions and involvement. What is a city but a collection of neighborhoods that have a voice in what happens on their neighborhood?

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2019 Collaborative Working Group:

Edgewood hired Russell Consulting for a facilitation. Edgewood did not want to use the Edgewood/Neighborhood Liaison Committee which has been in existence since 1997 and is also described in the 2014 Master Plan. Edgewood and the Liaison Committee had been meeting at least monthly since 1997. Instead Edgewood High School decided they wanted a new group, called the Collaborative Working Group. It was formed and started meeting in April, 2019 until Edgewood walked away from discussions to resolve neighborhood issues in June, 2019.

The link to the 2019 Spring/Summer Collaborative Working Group meeting minutes and documents is below.

The One Drive from the CWG meetings is here: <https://onedrive.live.com/?authkey=%21AD0LWCiJvanyk8A&id=597512B1BC4A50E1%21226737&cid=597512B1BC4A50E1>

Also, Edgewood's Master Plan frequently describes neighborhood involvement and Edgewood's commitment to working with them. Here is the link to the 2014 Master Plan. https://www.cityofmadison.com/planning/projects/reports/1000ecd_Master.pdf

The 2014 Master Plan describes this as well as working with the Edgewood/Neighborhood Liaison Committee since 1997 and its Plan to be "sensitive to the impact that growth can have on surrounding neighborhoods" (page 6, 1.1, Master Plan Purpose)

I have taken the liberty to list some relevant sections of the Master Plan are relevant.

- Page 6, 1.1, Master Plan Purpose, "The Campus Master Plan will provide a basis for implementing development decisions so as to benefit all three institutions and the neighborhood by: ... Providing solutions for mitigating neighborhood impacts of future development and growth"

- Page 9, 1.3, Agreement on Master Plan Process Describes 2-3 year process of working with Edgewood/Neighborhood Liaison Committee from 2011 through 2014. page10 lists MasterPlan meetings.

Page 52 through 61, One of four sections of the 2014 Master Plan called titled "Neighborhood and City Processes". Describes the Edgewood/Neighborhood Committee as serving "as a coordination and communication vehicle" for Edgewood and surrounding neighborhoods for the last 15 years.

Page 54, 4.1, refers to documents in this section of the 2014 Master Plan contains documents that "are the product of our work as the Edgewood Neighborhood Liaison Committee."

Page 59, 4.3, refers to "Affirming Past Agreements" and states that "The three Edgewood Schools reaffirm their commitment to the Edgewood Neighborhood Liaison Committee as a primary vehicle for ensuring strong partnership and communication."

Thank you for your consideration.

Patricia Williams

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Gail Martinelli <martinelligail@gmail.com>

Date: Aug 25, 2019 1:40 PM

Subject: Edgewood Campus request to repeal their CI zoning master plan

To: ajstatz2@madison.k12.wi.us, "bacantrell@charter.net" <bacantrell@charter.net>,"
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Cc:

To the Heather Stouder and the Madison Plan Commission:

I can view Edgewood High School's athletic field from my home at 2317 West Lawn Ave. and **strongly oppose** the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus.

Thank you.

Gail Martinelli

From: Theresa Metzger <theresammetzger@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 11:59 AM

To: Planning <planning@cityofmadison.com>; Martin, Arvina <district11@cityofmadison.com>

Subject: Plan Commission Meeting Tonight

Hello,

I am unable to attend the plan commission meeting this evening but wanted to put in a comment. Not sure how to do so.

1) I support Edgewood's desire to expand their stadium. Stadiums and athletics are a normal part of living next to a school. If this wasn't a Catholic, private school, I don't think this issue would exist.

2) I support the demolition of 556 Chatham Terrace. There are other homes of this nature that look better in the area. This is an underutilized lot and space, and a new home would add a nice, new aesthetic to my neighborhood.

Thank you -

Theresa Metzger
552 Gately Terrace
Madison, WI 53711

August 26, 2019

Dear Plan Commission:

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Neighbors spent a great deal of time and energy developing agreements in the Plan, and repeal would mean not only that the content of those agreements would be negated, but it would also signal that neighbors and neighborhood associations are effectively powerless to influence critical development decisions, because plans can simply be repealed when they have ceased to be useful to a neighboring campus or institution. That is a recipe for public disengagement in planning processes. It would be contrary to the City's mission, and in both the short and long term would put communities at risk. I urge you to oppose repeal of Edgewood's Campus Master Plan. Thank you for your consideration, and for your service to the City and its residents.

Sincerely,

Marc Gartler
820 Woodrow Street

Stouder, Heather

From: Shelley Caw <ssavagecaw@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 3:09 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Edgewood High School

Dear Plan Commission Director Stouder:

I am writing in support of the ordinance that would allow Edgewood High School to terminate their master plan. Additionally, I support Edgewood High School being able to use their athletic field for games (day and night) and being able to install lights and a sound system.

I live on the 2300 block of Monroe Street. While I understand my neighbors' concerns about noise/light/traffic issues related to the stadium expansion, I believe that those issues are all part and parcel of living on Monroe Street and in the Dudgeon Monroe neighborhood. We already have significant traffic issues on Monroe Street during EHS and ECS opening and closing—or whenever any of the Edgewood schools/college has an event. We already have significant neighborhood disruptions (noise/people/traffic) whenever UW has an event—especially during football season. Often marathons and runs-for-charity use a route that passes from Woodrow onto Monroe Street. From my house, I can hear athletic practices and games already occurring on the field at EHS as well as outdoor events at Camp Randall, West High School and Wingra Park. Emergency vehicles drive full speed--lights and sirens blasting--24 hours a day on Monroe Street. With Monroe Street being a major east/west thoroughfare and the Dudgeon-Monroe neighborhood's close proximity to schools, businesses and parks, our neighborhood is busy and lively at all hours of the day, every day. Thus, I see no reason to single out and restrict Edgewood High School from using their field.

Thank you,

Michelle S. Caw
2340 Monroe Street

Stouder, Heather

From: Claude Kazanski <ckazanski@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 3:09 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

I oppose the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus. Please vote No on the zoning repeal.

Thank you.
Claude Kazanski
2233 West Lawn Ave
Madison, WI 53711

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Scott Prater <sprater@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 2:57 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on Edgewood Camps zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

We live at 2426 Commonwealth Ave. and we **oppose** the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus. We believe the master plan approval process has no meaning if any one of the approving parties can amend or reject the plan at any time, without the approval of the other parties. We are against the Egewood Stadium amendment, and we feel that Edgewood Campus has not acted in good faith with the affected neighborhoods to explore alternative solutions.

Thank you.

Scott Prater
Pilar Bellver

Stouder, Heather

From: Mary Clare Murphy <maryclarem@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 2:56 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; All Alders
Subject: Please Vote NO on Edgewood's request to exit the Master Plan

Thank you for this opportunity to voice my concerns.

I am a 1972 graduate of Edgewood HS and have been supportive of previous developments of their campus.

But Edgewood's wish to disregard the many hours of effort, the knowledge and experience of the professional city staff and the thoughtful input of neighbors that resulted in this Master Plan, is wrong.

This Master Plan has allowed them to proceed with development at a much faster pace, and at much less expense. But now it is not working out the way they would like it to.

Although I wish Edgewood the best in educating their students to become engaged contributors to their own neighborhoods, they must demonstrate their trust and belief in the systems of governance that make our communities work, for all.

Mary Clare Murphy
1910 Jefferson St
Since 1997

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Scott Prater <sprater@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 2:53 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on Edgewood Camps zoning repeal

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Thank you.

Scott Prater

Stouder, Heather

From: 5beylers@charter.net
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 2:50 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: 'info@edgewoodhs.org'
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan

Dear Ms. Stouder,

I am sending this email requesting your help by voting yes in support of the ordinance to terminate the master plan of the three Edgewood schools.

Sincerely,

Pam Beyler
5472 Alan Dr
Oregon WI 53575
5beylers@charter.net

Stouder, Heather

From: brendanw@wallfamilyenterprise.com
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 2:14 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: info@edgewoodhs.org.
Subject: Please vote YES for Edgewood

Dear Ms. Stouder,

PLEASE Vote YES in SUPPORT of the ordinance to terminate the old Master Plan for Edgewood H.S. tonight.
Let's treat Edgewood like all the other schools in the city.

Thank you.

Brendan Wall
Madison 53704

Stouder, Heather

From: Joseph Newman <jpnewman@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 2:05 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

I oppose the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus.

Thank you.
Joe Newman
2313 west lawn ave

Stouder, Heather

From: Barb Meriggioli <bmeriggioli@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 1:51 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Ordinance Vote

Heather,

Please vote YES on the ordinance allowing Edgewood High School to terminate the Master Plan. In reading all the effort and studies Edgewood has provided to the city and neighborhood, it seems ridiculous they cannot use their athletic fields for the purpose they were intended.

With the City Attorney's letter date July 12, inviting Edgewood High School to file to terminate the Master Plan, it seems they too want Edgewood to be on equal ground as the other high schools in Madison.

Thank you,

Barb Meriggioli

Stouder, Heather

From: Marc Gartler <mgartler@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 12:59 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; Parks, Timothy
Subject: File #56839--Repeal of the Edgewood Campus Master Plan.
Attachments: Dear Plan Commission - Repeal.doc

Dear Planning Staff,

Please add the attached to comments on File #56839--Repeal of the Edgewood Campus Master Plan.

Thanks,

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820 Woodrow St, Madison, WI 53711

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Sincerely,

Marc Gartler
820 Woodrow Street

Stouder, Heather

From: Betty Seymour <bfitzseymour@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 12:58 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Vote

Would urge the city council to vote in favor of the Edgewood proposal. Allowing a discrimination suit to go forward against the City would be a great mistake. As a retired Attorney there is a very good chance that the city will lose in this environment resulting in a black eye for Madison.

Do the right thing for Madison and Edgewood

Gary Seymour
702 S0. High Pt Rd.
Madison, Wi, 53719

Stouder, Heather

From: Charles Olson <charlespatricko@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 12:30 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Plan Commission - Edgewood HS Master Plan termination

Dear Heather --

I am writing to share my support for Edgewood High School's desire to terminate their Master Plan to enable use of their athletic field for competitive events. I am a 59-year resident of Madison and grew up in the Monroe neighborhood, living there for 23 years. I am intimately familiar with the area and its people, including the community of both West High School and Edgewood High School since we lived in between the schools. In fact, half of our family attended Edgewood and half attended West. So, I don't lack perspective on what it is like to live in the area and what the atmosphere is like at each school campus. My parents continued to live in our family home until their recent death, and as their primary caregiver for a decade, I remain connected to the people and the vibe of the area.

It's surprising to me that the matter at hand continues to 'drag on' and consumes so much time of so many people. At its "core", the issue is so simple -- whether to allow playing athletic games on an athletic field that is located on land owned by Edgewood High School. Any reasonable person would think that doing so would be OK if the activities are managed with respect and common sense. Edgewood has put extensive physical and logistic plans into place that would mitigate any disruption to the quality of lives of persons living in a neighborhood where a High School is located. Playing games on their athletic field will not change the character nor diminish the value of the Monroe St corridor.

The Mayor has communicated that the City of Madison doesn't discriminate on religious grounds against any person or entity. While I believe that is the case, what then explains the inability for the City to grant the same freedoms of the City Ordinances to Edgewood High School that it affords to other Public Schools and the UW ?

What is so unique about Edgewood High School that creates barriers preventing them from having the same rights to use their land as those granted to other local educational institutions that are also located in residential settings ? Treating Edgewood uniquely does have the tone of some form of discrimination. I think it is reasonable to expect that the Plan Commission and the Mayor's office explain "why" Edgewood is receiving unique treatment and "why" you do not consider it to be discriminatory.

Regards,
Charlie Olson
608-577-6017

Stouder, Heather

From: Ben Yahr <ben@lakewingra.org>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 12:23 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: 'Casey Hanson'
Subject: Edgewood High School
Attachments: 2019-08-23 FoLW - Edgewood Master Plan Repeal Concerns.pdf

Hello Ms. Stouder,

Please find attached a letter of concern from the Friends of Lake Wingra regarding potential development at Edgewood High School. Kindly distribute the letter to members of the Plan Commission as well.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Ben



August 23, 2019

City of Madison Planning
215 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Madison, WI 53703

Dear Ms. Stouder and City of Madison Plan Commission:

Friends of Lake Wingra has concerns about the impact of Edgewood High School's proposed developments- specifically its current desire to repeal the campus master plan. At this time, our three biggest concerns are:

1. Undermining the community's belief in the planning process for any type of future engagement and public input.
2. Cultivating mistrust between local agencies/ organizations and residents.
3. Making the natural environment surrounding Edgewood High School's campus vulnerable to degradation on many different levels.

Related to these concerns, this master plan underwent extensive community engagement. Respecting that process by making amendments to agreed upon plans fosters the trust that groups aim to establish with each other. Repealing the plan does the opposite.

Lakes make Madison unique. The growing pains Madison faces highlight the importance of providing our community with an equitable and accessible escape to a thriving natural environment, like Lake Wingra. The Common Council even adopted a Wingra watershed management plan in 2016 to foster a similar vision. We strongly feel Lake Wingra, a truly unique and special urban lake, deserves some type of protection, accountability, and proper representation before significant development can irrevocably change it.

Thank you for listening to our opinion.

Respectfully,

Ben Yahr, Chairman of the Board of Directors



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Stouder, Heather

From: Stephen Sanborn <ssanborn365@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 12:08 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

We live at near Edgewood High School and oppose the ordinance that would repeal Edgewood Campus's zoning master plan. It was agreed to in good faith and should not be allowed to be changed now. This has nothing to do with religious discrimination, and it's ridiculous to claim that not having their own stadium interferes with Edgewood's religious mission. They've been carrying out their mission without a stadium all these years and can continue to do so.

Thank you for your fair consideration of this issue.
Steve and Nancy Sanborn
710 Leonard St.

Stouder, Heather

From: Joe Ring <JoeR@parktowne.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 11:45 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan Termination

Hello Heather,

I support the ordinance to terminate the Edgewood Master Plan.

Joe Ring
EVP Land Services
Park Towne

Stouder, Heather

From: Colleen Howes <chowes01@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 11:43 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

I oppose the ordinance that would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus. Please vote NO.
Keep our neighborhood livable.

Thank you.
Colleen Howes
2257 Keyes Ave

Stouder, Heather

From: Kelly Zagrodnik <dot98_1999@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 11:25 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

I oppose the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus. I have many concerns about how this process is being abused by Edgewood and how an addition of a stadium will add to the congestion and noise to an already overtaxed Monroe Street. For example, on Thursday, August 22, a JV football game was held at 5:00 pm on the Edgewood "Practice" field (which was deemed by the city to be in violation of zoning, yet they still continue). The addition of the extra cars on Monroe Street to an already busy time resulted in standstill traffic in both directions, dangerous driving by frustrated drivers (ie. Not paying attention to pedestrians trying to cross, taking off into side streets to avoid traffic), and residents unable to exit or return to their driveways. Monroe Street is already at capacity for parking and the amount of cars that use this road to get to and from the downtown area during rush hour. This is just one of the many issues that arise if Edgewood is allowed to repeal their zoning master plan.

I am also concerned about how Edgewood abandoned the process to work with the neighbors to find a solution and has backed the city into a corner by filing a lawsuit. It is appalling how this process has morphed into an out of control battle with Edgewood trying everything to get their way while disregarding city policy and neighborhood input.

There are many issues and concerns around possibly repealing Edgewood's zoning master plan. Thank you for your time and consideration with these concerns.

Kelly Coulthard
2230 Monroe Street

Stouder, Heather

From: Fiona McTavish <fiona.mctavish@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 11:14 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To Heather Stouder and the Plan Commission:

I am unable to attend the meeting tonight regarding Edgewood's repeal of their Master Plan.

The neighborhood and Edgewood spent many hours coming to an agreement on the Master plan. A stadium with amplified sound and lights was never in the master plan for a good reason - it would never have been approved. It is not an appropriate fit in the middle of an established neighborhood with a pristine lake nearby. Edgewood demanding to have a stadium in the neighborhood is putting their wants over the quality of life of a vibrant neighborhood.

Please don't allow Edgewood to undercut the public process by getting out of the master plan simply because they can't do what they want now. Threatening a lawsuit is just a strong arm tactic to try to bully the city and the neighborhood into allowing them to do what they want regardless of the greater good. Please oppose the repeal of the Master plan and support Tag Evers amendment.

Sincerely,

Fiona McTavish

(formerly of 826 Woodrow St, now at 2628 Arbor Dr #407) oppose the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus.

Stouder, Heather

From: KE Rost <kristen.frostco@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 10:07 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

I live at 2154 West Lawn Avenue and I **oppose** the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus.

Thank you,

Kristen Rost

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Stouder, Heather

From: James Imhoff <james@uhpwarranty.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 10:01 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Support for Edgewood High School

Ms. Stouder,

I'm writing to encourage you to support Edgewood High School's request to repeal their Master Plan and to issue the previously approved permits for lighting and sound on the Goodman Athletic Complex site.

Edgewood has thousands of supporters in Madison, and even more people in the city without EHS connections support this initiative. Frankly, outside of the very vocal minority in one neighborhood, most people I speak to are so baffled that EHS isn't allowed to host games on THEIR field. Please don't let a small group of people control the narrative on this. They will survive in the end...much like they did after the Trader Joe's they protested went in. I see many of them shopping there regularly!

Thank you for your support!
James Imhoff



James Imhoff
President

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Madison, WI 53717

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Stouder, Heather

From: Peggy ROSIN <peggy.rosin@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 10:00 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

I oppose the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus. Please consider my request in your deliberations at this evening's hearing.

Thank you.
Peggy Rosin
1515 Vilas Avenue

Stouder, Heather

From: Marianne Olson Hines <marianne4086@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 9:38 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

I live at 2202 Keyes Avenue, Madison, and oppose the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus. Our neighborhood already bears a significant burden with increased foot and auto traffic, parking and noise associated with UW football games. The proposal by Edgewood would add significantly to that burden and is unreasonable. In addition, as a devoutly Catholic household, we consider the claim by Edgewood of religious discrimination to be patently outrageous.

Thank you,
Marianne Hines

Thank you,
Marianne Hines

Sent from my iPad

Stouder, Heather

From: Brendan Baxter <baxter.bt@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 9:21 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote YES on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

I live at 4109 Mandan Crescent in Madison and I **support** the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus.

Thank you,

Brendan Baxter
4109 Mandan Crescent, Madison, WI 53711

Stouder, Heather

From: Tamara Bryant <bryant.tamaraj@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 9:16 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal...

To the Plan Commission:

I live at 2254 Keyes Ave, Madison, WI 53711 and I oppose the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus. (**item # 14** map amendment repeal of Edgewood's Master Plan, Legistar File # 56839)

I support **support item # 10** --Alder Ever's text amendment, Legistar File #56981.

Protect the habitat of Wingra Lake area and keep Madison a livable city!

Thank you.
Tamara Bryant

*Tamara Bryant
2254 Keyes Ave
Madison, WI 53711*

Stouder, Heather

From: Jennifer Weaver <jweaver04@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 8:40 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on Edgewood Campus Master Plan repeal

To the Plan Commission:

I live at 2154 West Lawn Ave (one block away from the Edgewood campus), and want to register my **opposition** to a repeal of Edgewood's Campus Master Plan.

Thank you for considering the neighborhood's voices -

Jennifer Weaver

Stouder, Heather

From: Bob Meyer <bobmeyer22@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 8:19 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Plan Commission meeting tonight

Ms. Stouder,

I am unable to attend the meeting tonight, as I will be in Oklahoma for work. I would like to formally register my support of item # 10 (Alder Ever's text amendment, Legistar File #56981).

I would also like to oppose item # 14 (map amendment repeal of Edgewood's Master Plan, Legistar File # 56839).

I am a homeowner within 100 feet of the athletic complex, I live at 812 Woodrow Street.

Thank you,
Robert Meyer

Stouder, Heather

From: Don Wilson <donwisconsin11.7@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 8:19 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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To the Plan Commission:

I live at 818 Terry Place and I **oppose** the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus.

Thank you.

Don Wilson

Stouder, Heather

From: Leopold, Madelyn
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 3:32 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission and Alders:

I oppose the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus.

Madison's master plans are negotiated agreements that parties should be entitled to rely on. EHS is attempting an end run around this well-established process. If EHS succeeds, Madison will lose an important tool for balancing developers' and residents' interests.

Thank you for your engagement on behalf of the city.

Madelyn Leopold
2233 West Lawn Ave.
Madison 53711

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Evers, Tag
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 1:32 AM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fw: Let the kids play

File, pls.

Tag Evers

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From: Joe Docter <J.docter@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 8:22 PM
To: Evers, Tag
Subject: Let the kids play

It's time to put differences aside and do what everyone knows is right – let the kids use their field.

It's a shame students and parents must drive across the city to go to games and practices. It puts many young adults in unnecessary risk.

God forbid someone is harmed driving from Edgewood to a "home game" elsewhere because the neighborhood disallows the use of an athletic field for competition.

Thank you,

Joe

1722 Monroe Street

Stouder, Heather

From: mail Schmit <maryellen.tim@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 8:17 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission:

I oppose the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus.

Thank you.
Mary Ellen Schmit
1724 Madison St.

Stouder, Heather

From: Evers, Tag
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 6:23 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fw: I OPPOSE Edgewood's request to exit the Master Plan

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From: Jude Edmonds <jude.edmonds@me.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 5:13 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I OPPOSE Edgewood's request to exit the Master Plan

Tag Evers and all Alders of the Common Council

I want to put it in writing that as someone who lives in the 13th district in the neighborhood adjacent to the Edgewood campus, I oppose allowing Edgewood to exit from the Master Plan. This action would violate the trust the community has with the City planning process. In addition, dissolving this agreement would absolutely disrupt the quality of life that my family enjoys.

I continue to have faith in the Master Plan process, and I urge the Common Council to oppose this resolution.

Thank you,
Sincerely,

Jude Edmonds
2438 Commonwealth Ave

Stouder, Heather

From: Linda Maraniss <lmaraniss@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 5:26 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on the zoning repeal

To commission Director Stouder, and plan commission, I live at 659 Knickerbocker Street in the neighborhood near Edgewood .

I oppose the ordinance that would repeal the zoning master plan for the Edgewood campus.

Thank you, Linda Maraniss

Sent from my iPhone

Stouder, Heather

From: Evers, Tag
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 4:32 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fw: oppose new stadium

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From: Susan Nicol <susanjnicol@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 4:28 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: oppose new stadium

My husband and I find the recent developments to have undermined all of the planning and work that was jointly agreed upon previously by Edgewood and the neighborhood. Both are stakeholders and to abandon the Master Plan leaves those most negatively impacted without any say, without any support, and without compassion for the impact that changes would have. We oppose letting Edgewood out of the Master Plan. It is unfair to the neighborhood.

Stouder, Heather

From: Staveness, Lora <lora.staveness@edgewoodhs.org>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 4:02 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Edgewood Master Plan and proposal to amend Sections 28.097(2) and (3) of the Madison General Ordinances

Dear Heather Stouder,

As a neighbor of Edgewood, 2602 Arbor Dr., Madison, WI and a teacher/ coach at Edgewood, I am letting you know that I fully support Edgewood's termination of the Master Plan and I do not support the alders attempt to amend Sections 28.097 (2) and (3) of the Madison General Ordinances. History can prove that Edgewood and its' athletic fields have been there longer than any of the neighbors' residence. When one builds or purchases near a school (private or public) one should expect that the school will make changes to its' land in order to enhance student life as it continues to educate the whole person. This is just common sense and it must prevail in situations like this. Neighborhoods **should not** have this much power to stop or put conditions on what a private/ public school can and cannot do with their land. Many of these naysayers bought land not only next to a high school, but a college and a university for goodness sakes! I truly believe the city's time and money should be spent actually helping those that are truly in need. Please vote YES to allowing Edgewood to terminate the Master Plan and vote NO to the alders attempt to amend Sections 28.097 (2) and (3) of the Madison General Ordinances as this ordinance has deeper negative impacts than just Edgewood.

Sincerely,

Lora Staveness

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Stouder, Heather

From: Evers, Tag
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 3:56 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Fw: Zoning Text Amendments and Edgewood Masterplan

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From: Staveness, Lora <lora.staveness@edgewoodhs.org>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 3:53 PM
To: Evers, Tag
Subject: Zoning Text Amendments and Edgewood Masterplan

Mr. Evers,

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From: Mitchell Nussbaum <acornwithteeth@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 3:46 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Please vote NO on zoning repeal

To the Plan Commission: I live in the Vilas neighborhood. I oppose the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus. Thank you.

- Genie Ogden
1615 Madison St.

Stouder, Heather

From: Eileen Hornberger Thompson <eileenlittleredt@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 3:39 PM
To: Stouder, Heather; All Alders
Subject: Vilas neighbor opposes/Please vote NO on zoning repeal

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Dear Plan Commission and Alders -

POSITION: We **oppose** the ordinance which would repeal the CI zoning master plan for Edgewood Campus.

COMMENT : Does the City of Madison want to have neighborhoods? The Vilas neighborhood has been receiving pressures and encroachment from many directions. We have Zoo crowds, UW athletic games and events, and UW Student housing embedded in our neighborhood that present a set of issues which are becoming challenging to each and every household.

Please think about the residents and homeowners - We do not need more crowds of people driving through our neighborhood, often speeding and not watching for children & pedestrians at all hours

Thank you
Eileen and J.C. Thompson (Residents 26 years)
311 Campbell Street