

From: Ben Gerds <bengerds@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:30 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please do not oppose Truax F-35

Dear Aldermen,

Thank you for your dedicated service to the people of Madison, the greatest city in the world. As a constituent of Madison for the last 23 years, I strongly believe the basing of the F-35 at Truax is in the best interest of the community. I humbly ask you to refrain from voting to oppose the bed-down plan. Please do not allow pessimistic, worst-case scenario predictions to scare us away from the reality of how the home-grown Wisconsinite 115th Fighter Wing will dutifully maintain this aircraft with the highest regard for public safety and well being.

Thank you for what you do and your careful consideration,

Respectfully,
Ben Gerds

Veldran, Lisa

From: Robert Davis <davis1043@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:38 AM
To: All Alders; Together Truax
Subject: Support Our Local 115th!

Alders,

Madison has been a great place to live for many years and for many reasons. For over 70 years, and through our best years of growth, we have benefited from the partnership we have with the Air National Guard and 115th. They have been part of the special formula that made Madison one of the best places to live in the country. I, like the majority of Madisonians, believe it is in the cities best interest to support the base for the obvious reasons of the economic support, the diverse employment opportunities and additional safety that it provides. This is also the important role that Madison has played in contributing to the defense of our airspace and of our nation.

I am a pilot and one of over 600,000 people per year that flock to Wisconsin's EAA air convention in Oshkosh every year. Wisconsin loves aviation and the highlight is always watching the newest high tech fighters take to the air and show off the capabilities we have been able to develop as a nation. This is about having pride and the drive to be a nation that takes a leading role in the world. We go there for the jet noise! I have seen and heard probably more than 50 F-16 flyovers and at least 20 F-35 flyovers and the notion that the F-35 will be 4 times louder than the F-16 is simply is not true. In fact, you cant tell the difference. I have also lived on the north/east side of Madison for the last 25 years. One home was directly off the end of runway 18. Even during the transition from the A-10 to the F-16 (which definitely is louder than the A-10) my home values rose significantly for both homes when we sold them. The idea that the F-35 could all of a sudden make home values plummet and leave these homes uninhabitable is ridiculous. If the transition to the F-35 happens it would be more similar to what we have now than different. There seems to be a whole lot of misinformation being circulated. I also own and operate two preschools and while we do momentarily stop to allow the jets to fly over, the children are fascinated watching the jets go by. These are their heroes, as much as any fireman or policeman.

To not support the base and this transition that would ensure our continued growth and security seems preposterous to me. You don't mess with a successful formula and you don't cater to an overreacting minority. Madison is a leader. Madison is on the cutting edge. We don't pass on exciting new technology to send our men and women off in harms way in the oldest jet in the Air Force. We are trusting you to move Madison forward. Please vote accordingly.

Sincerely,
Bob Davis

President

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From: Leila Pine <sabinosanctuary@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:51 AM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Resolution on F-35s at Truax

Dear Mayor and City Council Members,

As a 42-year-plus resident of Madison's East Side, I am writing to ask you to vote in favor of the resolution introduced by Alders Rebecca Kemble, Marsha Rummel et al. opposing the addition of F-35s at Truax AFB. I have heard F-35s from Luke AFB flying over Phoenix, AZ, when we are there visiting our son over the past couple of years, and in some locations closer to the AFB (which is actually in the suburb of Glendale, near land soon to be rezoned and developed as an industrial area due to the incredibly high noise levels), the noise levels are truly unbearable. They sounded like what I imagine a nuclear bomb would sound like--it was truly frightening. I can hear the F-16s based at Truax flying over my house on the Near East Side, and that's bad enough, but the F-35s I heard in Phoenix sounded so much worse.

While the spokeswoman at Luke AFB has refused to tell news reporters in Phoenix how many complaints they receive from nearby residents, she admitted that the number of complaints increased significantly in January as flights started going on well past midnight when people were trying to sleep. There were also reports of increases in the frequency of flights as more pilots from foreign countries were sent over for training on the F-35s there. I was told that when local residents complained about the increased noise levels, they were told to just get used to it, that this was "the sound of freedom" and they were labeled as unpatriotic or even as "terrorists".

I truly feel for the Madison homeowners near Truax who are going to be trapped and unable to sell their homes if the F-35's are approved. I know that many apartment dwellers in that area of town simply can't afford the very high rents in other parts of the city, and my heart goes out to them as affordable housing seems to be disappearing in this city that has been my home for the past 50 years. The F-35s will only add to this problem.

I hope you will have the courage to take a stand against the F-35's and not remain silent as they turn Madison into another Phoenix, AZ. Please support Ald. Kemble's and Ald. Rummel's resolution. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Leila Pine
1122 Spaight St.
Madison, WI 53703

From: earlydues <earlydues@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:15 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 basing

Hello - I'd just like to register my support for the F-35 mission and the 115th Fighter Wing. I work adjacent to Truax and love seeing/hearing the jets take off and land throughout the day (or even at night, as they fly over our area during night training). Sure, we occasionally need to pause a moment in meetings for the sound of freedom to dissipate, but that's a small price to pay! (To be honest, half the time, I don't even notice the sound.) I think having the F-35 based here would be an awesome opportunity for Dane County!

Thanks,
Brenda B.
Sun Prairie

From: Bruce Schrimpf <bschri@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:43 AM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Resolution opposing the F35 mission at Truax Field

My name is Bruce D. Schrimpf. Though I am not a City of Madison resident. I have lived in Madison for years while attending the UW School of Business and Law School. I was a member of the Wisconsin National Guard until my retirement in 2005. I regularly attended drills in Madison, stayed at Madison hotels and dined in Madison restaurants during my thirty-six year career with the Wisconsin National Guard. I have a daughter and son-in-law that are active City of Madison residents. My connections to Madison are deep, long standing ones that I personally treasure.

Only a few weeks ago we relived the horrific events of 9/11/2001. I was part of State Headquarters during that time and recall the events well.

The 115th Fighter Wing of the Wisconsin National Guard was an integral part of the Nation's defense following those horrific attacks. It flew security missions for the military and civilian airports located in Wisconsin and Illinois during those days. It's fighters covered and provided protection for Truax, Madison, Milwaukee, O'Hare, and Midway. The appreciation of the general public for the service of the members of the 115th was manifest. I recall people coming to them, and indeed myself (though I had no direct involvement with the 115th; indeed I was an Army, not an Air Force officer), thanking them and me, for the presence of their aircraft and the things of which they were so clearly capable.

Obtaining the F35 aircraft will keep the 115th as a very vital part of the Nation's defense along with all of the economic benefits that result from having the latest and best aircraft located in the heart of Wisconsin. Losing that aircraft will be a loss felt not only in Madison, but in the entire southern half of Wisconsin and the northern half of Illinois!

I urge your Honorable Body to reject the Resolution Opposing the F35 project at Truax and urge your Honorable Body to fully support the F35 Mission for Truax Field. It will enhance the Nation's and Madison's security as well as bring untold economic benefit to Madison and Wisconsin residents.

Please protect Madison, Milwaukee, Chicago, and the entire lower half of Wisconsin and upper half of Illinois by opposing that resolution and fully supporting the effort to obtain the F35 Mission.

Sincerely,

Bruce D. Schrimpf
1944 Blacksmith Road
Cedarburg, Wisconsin 53012

Tell 262 377 0765

Veldran, Lisa

From: Greg Larsen <glarsen1821@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:19 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 mission

I live on the north side of Madison and all of Madison's aldermen should oppose the resolution to not have the f-35 in Madison. The sound of the jets taking off is the sound of freedom

From: Alex King <akinger97@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:20 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Do not oppose the F-35

Hello,

It has come to my attention that some Madison Alders have recently taken action to oppose the 115th Fighter Wing receiving the F-35 aircraft by drafting a resolution in opposition of such. I am also aware that this resolution will be considered on Tuesday. I oppose the resolution that is in opposition to basing the F-35 at Truax Field for several reasons. I currently live in Madison and have lived in either Madison or Sun Prairie since I was 4 years old.

I attended the public comment session held last Thursday. I was surprised by how many people in opposition to the F-35 fail to understand the impact getting this aircraft has on the base. The base currently flies F-16s that are nearing the end of their life span. Upgrading the airframes to continue flying is becoming very costly and time consuming. Besides this, the F-35 is meant to replace many of the aging F-16s and F-15s the Air Force currently operates. If the 115th does not receive the F-35, it is anybody's guess as to how long the base continues to exist. While the Air Force may transfer slightly less old aircraft to the base, this is only a temporary fix to delay the inevitable - the permanent closure of the 115th Fighter Wing. The base employs over 500 full time personnel as well as over 700 more traditional "one weekend a month, two weeks a year" guardsmen who stand ready to deploy and serve their country. The closure of the base would mean 500 people from the local community lose their jobs, the airport loses the current fire department, and many state resources comprised of guardsman such as the Urban Search and Rescue Team, Explosive Ordinance Disposal unit, and Haz-Mat response teams all housed at Truax are no longer available in the event of a state emergency. Losing the 115th Fighter Wing because a small minority of the larger Dane County community doesn't like it would be catastrophic to the City of Madison and to the State of Wisconsin.

The F-35 secures the future of the 115th Fighter Wing for many years to come. It is imperative that every Madison Alder recognize the complete impact its continued presence has on the City of Madison, Dane County, and the State of Wisconsin. Again, I strongly oppose the resolution recently drafted that is in opposition to bringing the F-35 to Madison. I encourage every City Alder to support the 115th Fighter Wing's selection to house the F-35. By opposing the F-35, whether you want to admit it or not, you are putting at great risk the loss of 500+ full time jobs that support Madison and Dane County residents, as well as all 1,200 guardsmen who may be forced to move out of Dane County and possibly Wisconsin to continue their service to our nation.

You all should support the 115th Fighter Wing and the basing of the F-35 at Truax Field.

Sincerely,

Alex King

Veldran, Lisa

From: Robert Bour <rkbour@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:42 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for the F-35

I am a Madison resident and I support the F-35 at KMSN. I would therefore ask that you oppose the upcoming resolution against the F-35 base.

Thanks for your consideration,
Rob Bour

From: EZOP - Rose <rmolz@ezop.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:49 AM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: I Support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission

After writing what seemed like a dissertation justifying why the F-35 mission ***should reside*** at Truax in Madison, WI I decided that, in the end, what is most important right now, is to write to the group email of ALL alders showing my support. In other words,

- **I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing**
- **I reinforce *my support* for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission**

Rose Molz

PS: My neighbor's lawnmower is *very loud*. And when two or three (neighbors) are gathered in its name on the same day at the same time, it is very very very loud. I don't plan on writing to my alder about that.

Rose Molz

From: Randy Deering <rdeering77@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:05 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Please support the 115th fighter wing and F35s

To all Madison Alders:

I was born in Madison and have never left because I love it here. And that includes the fact that we have an awesome group of men and women that help protect our area of the country. The 115th. And that includes their jets.

The sound complaints have been greatly exaggerated as I saw first hand at last Thursday's meeting. I believe this is an attempt to push an anti-military agenda, and not actually the sound of the jets.

I have personally seen the F35s takeoff from Truax while attending our garden at Reindahl Community Gardens at the end of my street (where we have lived for 34 years). I did not hear any more sound than the F16s. I personally thought the sound was actually a little deeper and not as loud.

Please support the 115th like the vast majority of Madison residents do.

Sincerely
Randy Deering
3812 Ridgeway Ave
Madison WI

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Sent from Randy's iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Alan Ausel <alanausel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:16 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Progress

I fully support the continued existence of the 115 Fighter Squadron (One of the most respected units in the Air Force.) at Truax Field and the great opportunity of the introduction of the advanced aircraft: the F-35. The impact on the local economy is positive and far reaching. The ramifications of an elite base in our area is immeasurable.
God bless you and God bless America.

Thank you!

Alan R. Ausel

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Carol Cushing <carolacushing@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:08 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: I support the F-35

Good morning

I am over the flight pattern of Traux and Dane County Airport. I fully support bringing the F-35 to Madison.

If you have any questions for me or need further information from me you can reach me on my cell phone at 608-206-0666

Thank you for your time in advance

Carol Cushing

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

From: Brad Schuchardt <bschuchardt3@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:28 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 Basing

Good Morning,

I am opposed to the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and want to communicate my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. I can think of no better place than Madison, WI for this to be based out of. Please support it as well and make sure we bring that to Madison.

Thank you,
Brad Schuchardt
McFarland, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Michael Wallace <michael.wallace88@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 15, 2019 10:09 PM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support F35 basing at Truax

Good evening,

I oppose the ban being voted on to oppose and I fully support F-35s being based at Truax Field/Dane County Regional Airport.

Thank you,

Michael Wallace

Veldran, Lisa

From: Steve Wipperfurth <steveipper@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:49 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Support the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Robert Hull <mrhowell955@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:56 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35a Resolution

To all of Madison Alders and in particular Alder Abbas I am opposed to this resolution against the F35a jets being brought to Madison these new planes will mean nothing but good for this city it keeps our airbase relevant and open. An airbase by the way that has been an important part of this city and whose members are an important and vital part of this community. You should strike down this resolution. I have lived on Myrtle street my whole life and this is one of the most ridiculous things I have ever seen in that time wanting to not have the economic benefit of the airbase continue into the future.

Sincerely,
Robert W Hull

From: John Addison <pvillebadger@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:11 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposition to F-35's Locating in Madison

Dear City of Madison Alders;

I am writing this note to you to state my opposition to Madison's quest to have the F-35's located here.

I am against this due to their likely affect on the quality of life on the North side. We have F-16's. Let's be satisfied with that.

Thanks,

John Addison
1209 Burning Wood Way

Veldran, Lisa

From: Chris <christopherlschatz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:13 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35s

To the Alders:

I respectfully encourage you to stand in opposition of the addition of F-35 planes and their planned flights from Truax Field. This will detrimentally impact all of us on the east side, and I anticipate needing to leave the area should this happen. Moreover, the proposed noise maps seem misleading, as noise from the F-16s is already above accepted thresholds in the Emerson-East neighborhood; recently, on a Sunday evening of all times, my parents and I could not hear each other talk over dinner—indoors—because of the F-16s overhead. Indeed, abatement of the existing noise problem must be undertaken before this should ever be considered!

Sincerely,
Chris Schatz
2429 Hoard St.
Madison, WI 53704

From: Anthony Fleres <fleres4u@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:25 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

It is my understanding that you are considering a resolution to oppose the F-35 Basing in Madison. This email is to let you know the following:

1. I oppose any such resolution!
2. I support the 115th Tactical Fighter Wing based in Madison!

If you lose this Air National Guard wing in Madison, which I fear we may if this aircraft cannot be deployed here, you will lose an economic resource that you will regret. I can no longer sit quiet while I watch the City Council continue to make poor decisions (not just concerning the F-35)!

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Bill Kennedy <bkennedy53@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:28 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 Support

City of Madison Alders,

I am in support of the F35 coming to Madison due to the overall impact that it will bring the Madison area. Not only will it bring millions of dollars in construction projects that will benefit all the local vendors, suppliers and construction companies, the military and its members also help with the local economy and charity organizations and bring a lot of support that the surrounding area needs.

Thank you

Bill Kennedy

From: Philip Hinkle <frogmanproductions@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:28 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for the 1156th fighter wing

I have been silent on this issue until now. I do not live in Madison but do live in Dane County and understand the full impact of the 115th Fighter Wings contributions to the community of Madison, Dane County and the entire state of Wisconsin. I understand that many of the Alders of Madison are planning a vote for a resolution opposing the F-35 basing in Madison. The tax impact of the fighter wing is large in Madison. It provides many jobs, not just to military personnel, and provides a sizable tax income to the city. Not to mention all the ways the fighter wing contributes to the community. When there are storms around the state and damage the fighter wing is there to help. When there was a huge fire at a few of the electric transformers around the city the Fighter Wing fire fighting unit was there to assist (did you forget about that one). The fighter wing also provides the firefighting for the Dane County Regional Airport. How is the city of Madison going to afford placing another fire fighting unit at the airport if you tell them they are not welcome in Madison and that service goes away? I assume the answer will be the favorite method of raising taxes on Dane County residents.

Please consider all the good the fighter wing provides for the citizens of Dane County and the entire state above the inconvenience of a few seconds of noise a handful of vocal residents deem inconvenient. I love the sound of freedom over our city and they can fly over my house anytime they want. Your job as an elected official is to act on things that are best for the overall constituency and not just a few vocal residents. At the gatherings discussing the fighter wing opponents have been greatly outnumbered at every meeting. Consider what the overall community wants. Vote based on the desires of the majority and not the a vocal few.

Thank you and I trust you will do what is right for the community.

Philip Hinkle

From: Kdipietra <kdipietra@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:29 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support F35s and 115th fighter wing

To the Madison alders,

I support the F35s and our men in uniform. I ask that you oppose any resolution to remove this program from Madison. The F35s will help keep the 115th Fighter Wing jobs here in Madison.

Our men in uniform shouldn't have to return from their current tour of duty in the Middle East to find that the citizens of Madison have removed their future job security. Keep the F35s in Madison please!

Karlie DiPietra

From: Brian Pass <bmpass63@att.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:33 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution opposing the F-35

Alders-

I oppose this resolution. The F-35 needs to be in place at a location that is capable of supporting it. The 115FW is a premier fighter unit, and the Volk airspace (Hardwood Range) is readily available for optimum utilization. It is inevitable that the F-35 be placed with Air National Guard units, and it is unprecedented that an ANG unit receive a first-line aircraft. It has taken decades for the ANG to get to this point, where the DOD and the Air Force trust us with a top-of-the-line, latest technology aircraft. It would be a waste of talent, opportunity, and economic benefit to oppose basing the aircraft in Madison.

Brian M. Pass
5056 Autumn Leaf LN
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Gary Molz <gmolz@ezop.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:33 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: I Support the F-35 Basing

Good Morning,

I understand there will be discussion regarding the basing of the F35 in Madison.

I live in the Southeast side, District 16.

And I fully support bringing the F-35's to Madison.

We as a community should show our FULL support.

Gary Molz | Vice President | (608) 310-4300 | GMolz@ezop.com
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From: Norm Sannes <norman.sannes@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:35 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

My wife and I support the basing of F35s in Madison. I remember, back in the day, the F102s that were based at Truax. They regularly made more noise than the current F16s. They flew high over Lake Mendota and broke the sound barrier. I know, I saw them, and heard them. We also lived within ½ mile of the airport, and no one was complaining back then.

The F35s will not use afterburners as often as the current F16s, which will actually result in LESS noise.

</ Norman Sannes >

From: Aaron Lunderville <aaronlunderville@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:41 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support F-35 basing at Truax

Alders,

I am writing to you to voice my overwhelming support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the Air Force's proposal to base F-35 aircraft at Truax Field. Basing F-35s at Truax will ensure the viability of the 115th FW as a state and federal defense partner while keeping the significant economic impact of the base right where it is needed - on the East side of Madison.

Please support the F-35 basing at Truax!

Additionally, please reject the resolution coming before you tomorrow which opposes the F-35 basing action.

Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Regards,
Aaron Lunderville

Veldran, Lisa

From: Rodney Ryan <rodneyryan@att.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:01 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35 Madison

I oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and I am reinforcing my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission coming to Madison.

Rodney Ryan
305 Acewood Blvd
Madison, WI 53714

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Sent from Outlook Email App for Android

Veldran, Lisa

From: RICHARD F. WARD <RFWEIRD@AOL.COM>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:04 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: SUPPORT THE 115th fighter wing and the F-35

GOOD MORNING,

My complete family and I are SUPPORTING the 115th fighter wing and the F-35 program to be located here at TRUAX FIELD. The benefits to our community far out weight any potential negative issues.

Please support the F-35 program.

Have a GREAT day,

Richard F. Ward
Stoughton, WI.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Laura Berger <laura.jane.berger@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:05 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support resolution opposing F35s

Morning,

My address is 3318 Gregory St. in Madison.

An appropriate cost/benefit analysis would include making >1000 homes uninhabitable. The costs would, as has been noted, fall disproportionately on lower income residents. They would also fly over and disrupt teaching in elementary schools.

They say the noise is 4x greater than the F16s?? Wow!

Please oppose the siting of F35s here by supporting the resolution.

Thank you,

Laura Berger

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tom Weber <WeberT@firstweber.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:14 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support for 115th Fighter Wing: F-35

I am a home owner in the northwest corner of Grant Foster's District 15. My property, 122 Farrell St., lines up nearly due south of the North/South runway.

I am in full support of the 115th Fighter Wing continuing to base in Madison. The economic impact of forcing the fighter wing out of Madison, is simply unacceptable. The economic impact of not having the fighter wing a part of upkeep for our regional airport facilities, is simply unacceptable.

The fighter wing was here long before purchasing my property, as with most effected owners, and is a part of what I accepted when purchasing this home. Noise pollution in my area currently is most impacted by the commercial airline traffic not military. And I am not I'm opposition to either one.

I understand that on approach the F-35 is louder than an unmodified F-16 (same as the Pratt Whitney engined F-16). In my option the difference in decibels from the F-16 to the F-35 is not enough to change any impact on my property.

Please **do not support** any resolution to oppose the 115th Fighter Wing's use of the F-35.

Tom

Tom Weber

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Dave McLean <davem151@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:20 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 at Truax Field

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dan Bertler <Dan@supremestructures.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:27 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35 Resolution

All:

I am writing to you asking you to **oppose the Resolution** that opposes the F-35 based in Madison. I am in 100% support for the 115th Fighter Wing to be in Madison and bringing the F35's here! The reason are endless however just in case you need to know more:

- 1) There are currently 1200 directly employed employees by the base and it creates and annual economic activity of 100 Million
- 2) They provide more than 1 million in annual tuition payments to local colleges helping airmen return to the private sector
- 3) They provide fire protection and EMT services at Dane County Airport as well as responding to emergencies in the community.
- 4) This base has been here for 70 years and it truly is a representation of Madison Wisconsin.

Sincerely,

Daniel J Bertler

From: Libby Gerds <libbygerds@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:32 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please do not oppose the F35s coming to the 115th

Dear Alders -

I'm writing as a constituent and having just celebrated the 19th anniversary of moving to the City of Madison. I appreciate your service to the city and all the work you do to make this a great place to live.

I'm writing to ask that you NOT oppose the F35 coming to Madison and the 115th Fighter Wing. I am proud to have the members of the Fighter Wing as our friends and neighbors, and I know that they share the values that we hold dear in our community. I would much prefer that Madisonians be the ones stewarding the resources involved in the F35 - I know they care about the environment, the safety and livability of our neighborhoods, and the financial resources they are entrusted with. It would be short-sighted and incredibly detrimental to discourage this opportunity from coming here.

Please consider the long-term economic sustainability of the base and region, and show your trust in our neighbors and friends in the 115th to manage this new aircraft with the contentions we expect and value in our community.

Thank you,

Libby Gerds

From: Dave McLean <davem151@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:33 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 at Truax Field

I want to let you know that I support Truax Field receiving the F35. This will add 60+ new jobs in the community and continue to provide an economic impact of almost \$100 million dollars per year which the community cannot afford to lose if Truax should lose the flying mission. The F16 will be retired in the near future and that means Truax will be without a mission and most likely will close down. Unless the Madison Common council has jobs for these women and men of the 115FW, I would strongly urge you to reconsider your position and pass a resolution to support the aircraft at Truax Field.

My first house was in Eken Park neighbor hood and yes, the jet noise is a nuisance but most of the noise was from commercial flights, not military flights. I no longer live in that neighborhood but understand the issue. I do currently live in the flight path and hear every take off and to be honest, I look up in awe and recognize the sacrifice the men and women make to help preserve our freedom.

Also keep in mind the Environmental Impact Study is a "worse case" study and the majority of the military flights will take off to the north and most will not be afterburner take offs which produce most of the noise. The F35 has a higher thrust to weight ration which means the aircraft will not use the afterburner except on very hot and humid days when more lift is required to get the aircraft in the air.

Again, I urge you to reconsider voting to support the F35 and the value having this unit adds to our community, Dane County and all of Wisconsin. The men and women that work there, both full and part time, live all over Wisconsin, so your vote not only impacts Madison, but all of Wisconsin.

Respectfully,

Dave McLean
DeForest WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Craig <mayer1161@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:35 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Support

City of Madison Alders-

As a resident of the city of Madison, I support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.

I am very proud that my community and many of its residents play a critical role in the defense of our country. I am very proud that our community has the 115th Fighter Wing as one of its members and partners.

Thank you,
Craig Mayer
1548 Jefferson St
Madison

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Madtowngal_1006 <madtowngal_1006@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:34 AM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35s in Madison

Hi,
I support the F35s staying in Madison. Thank you military personnel for your service!

I love hearing the planes. It's loud but so is everything else around here. Please don't let some bad eggs ruin everything.

Thank you.
Cheri Pasch
City of Madison homeowner

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

From: Tom Spitz <tspitz@settlerswi.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:37 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for the 115th Fighter Wing

Dear Alders:

My understanding is that you may consider a resolution that does not support the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown. Please do not vote in favor of this resolution.

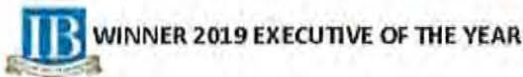
My business is in the direct flightpath for take offs and landings to the north of the airport on Highway 19. Regardless of flight frequency, these planes do not disrupt business being conducted or the quiet enjoyment by clients and staff of the outdoor patio that is part of our property. When comments occur they center around "the sound of freedom" or "I feel safer knowing they are here". I have never felt or hear a negative comment about the flight operations.

I respect that not everyone feels as I do that the F-35 mission is a win for the City of Madison and Dane County but a resolution against by such an esteemed body such as yours makes a blanket statement that suggests opposition is unanimous which it is not.

Thank you for your kind consideration of my view.

Best regards,

Thomas E. Spitz | Founder & Chief Executive Officer | **Settlers bank** | 4021 Meridian Drive, Windsor, WI 53598 | ☎ 608.842.5011
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timely decisions, lenders you know

Veldran, Lisa

From: BLAESER, VAUGHN B <vb2175@att.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:42 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support Our 115th Fighter Wing,

Worthy Alders,

Please consider giving support to our 115th Fighter Wing program to preserve the rich and lengthy history by supporting Truax Field selection as the new home for the 5th Operation Bed-down. This economic boost to our local economy cannot be underestimated. We have an opportunity to be equipped with the best aircraft and long-term commitment to keep our 115th Fighter Wing here in Madison. Please strongly consider supporting the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. Lets work to mitigate noise concerns and not throw away this opportunity to remain relevant. I would hate to see the operation at Truax go the way Oscar Meyer's and other North Side business that we have lost.

Regards,

Vaughn Blaeser
Sun Prairie, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: larry gempeler <gempelersandbar@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:51 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

I fully support basing the F-35 at Truax!!!!

From: alareda <alareda@gmail.com> on behalf of anita@lifehistoryservices.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:52 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Madison City Council Resolution to oppose the F-35s at Truax

Dear All Alders!

I am writing in hopes that you vote to oppose the F-35s at Truax. I believe their deployment here threatens the health and safety of our community and the negative impact for families and our community does not align with our (or your) values. Thank you for doing the right thing. We can bring much better jobs to our community through sustainable and renewable energy efforts.

Best,
Anita Hecht

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Anita Hecht, LCSW
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Honor the Past, Capture the Present, Inform the Future

From: Lyla Fell <ptlyla2000@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:53 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35's

I would like to state that I do not think having F-35's near a city is a wise choice. For the neighborhoods that are nearby the sound level that they will produce will be very disruptive. Please do what's best for those people.

Respectfully

Lyla Fell

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kimberly <kimberly8231@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:54 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for F-35

Sir or Ma'am,

I am writing to let you know that I am in support of the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.

Thank you for your time and consideration. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at kimberly8231@gmail.com or 608-797-2818

Very Respectfully,
Kimberly Krejchik

Veldran, Lisa

From: Trisha Nelson <trishanelson78@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:55 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposition to resolution that opposes the F-35

Good morning,

I do not support the passing of the resolution to oppose the F-35 in Madison.

The city of Madison will be set to lose millions of dollars into the local economy if the 115th Fighter Wing closes.

Trisha Nelson

Veldran, Lisa

From: LINDA KOPMEYER <miki0810@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:56 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35's

Please do not oppose the F35's to be based at the 115th fighter wing at Truax. It would be devastating to the Madison and Dane county economy.

We support the Truax field and the people and the planes for our security.

Again we strongly ask not to oppose the F35's.

Thank you

Richard and Linda Kopmeyer

From: Josh Gest <gestj@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:56 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Together Truax
Subject: Support for F-35 Beddown of the 115 Fighter

Good Morning,

I am writing to share my overwhelming support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the proposed F-35 Beddown in Madison. I have lived in several neighborhoods on the East side of Madison for 20 years. Prior to that, I grew up in the Windsor township. Whether here or there, I have been in the flight path of F-16's, F-35's, commercial jets, etc for 39 years. The only impact I have experienced is a positive one. It's been a sense of pride for my city every time I look up and see/hear those planes. Knowing the 115th Fighter Wing is here in our city is a joy for me and makes us a better community. Economically, the impact to our city is tremendous. The 100 million dollar figure being proposed is on the low side from the research I have done. This opportunity will pay dividends to Madison and surrounding neighborhoods for decades to come. The 115th has been in Madison for 70+ years and I hope it will be here a fixture here for the decades to come. Please consider the facts when voting for the resolution being proposed against the F-35 Beddown. Please don't let a small minority of emotional voices hurt our City, our residents, and the future economical balance. Thank you for your consideration. God Bless.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Pendleton, Kyle <Kyle.Pendleton@harley-davidson.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:58 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: I Support the 115th Fighter Wing & the F-35 Mission

To whom it may concern,

Please know that I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.

I do however, SUPPORT the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission.

Sincerely,

Kyle Pendleton

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Dave Kemp <bumpakemp@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:01 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposition to Resolution opposing selecting Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown.

I want to reinforce my support for bringing the F35 mission to Truax Field and encourage you to not support any resolution opposing this decision Dave Kemp Middleton WI

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Colin Murray <cmurray22@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:02 AM
To: All Alders; BadgerAir@gmail.com
Subject: I Support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission

Hello

I work directly behind the airport runway. I hear the planes taking off each day. When I hear the roar of the F-15's now taking off, I know my country is safe and we are providing jobs to people here in Madison.

When I rented an office on the Northside I was well aware of the noise from the airport. I work around it. I expect it to happen. And my rent is a touch lower, because of this "inconvenience". If this had bothered me, I would have rented office space in a different part of town.

I *oppose* the resolution that *opposes* the F-35 basing

I reinforce *my support* for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission

Colin Murray
Madison, WI

From: Rick Johnson <rickyj1264@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:03 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: 115th Fighter Wing

I would like to show my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. I grew up on the far east side of Madison and always enjoy the sound of freedom coming from the jets.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jim Gottschalk <gottschalkjim.9700@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:06 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: I Support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission

- I reinforce *my support* for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission

Jim Gottschalk
City of Madison
Have a Great Day

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jeremy McGlothlin <jeremymcg2281@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:54 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: FW: Urgent!!! It's just a quick email!!!

I support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission and oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.

Our ask is to **immediately send a short email** to All the Madison Alders via the allalders@cityofmadison.com email address;

- (1) **Opposing the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and**
- (2) **reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission**


Thank you from Nick! If you want to pass along to others, they can use as much help as possible.

Thank you all!

Annie

Sent from my IPBegin forwarded message:

From: Together Truax <badgerair@gmail.com>
Date: September 15, 2019 at 8:14:42 PM CDT
To: anniemadson@gmail.com
Subject: Urgent Assistance: Alder Contacts Needed!
Reply-To: badgerair@gmail.com



TOGETHER TRUAX

Urgent Assistance: Alder Contacts Needed

Madison Alders will be voting on resolution to oppose F-35 Basing on Tuesday



BADGER AIR
COMMUNITY COUNCIL

TO: Members & Friends of the Badger Air Community Council
FR: Chris "Desi" Arenz, Executive Director of the BACC
RE: **Urgent Assistance Needed: Alder Contacts Needed**

Thank you!!! That was an amazing display of support on Thursday. As a former F-16 pilot and member of the 115th Fighter Wing, and someone who grew up on the East Side of Madison, I was completely overwhelmed by the level and intensity of support, and I know the men and women of the 115th Fighter Wing were as well. Thank you!!

I was hoping my next communication with you would be just one of appreciation but unfortunately we again need to demonstrate the depth of support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Several Madison Alders (Grant Foster, Rebecca Kemble, Marsha A. Rummel, Patrick W. Heck, Tag Evers, Syed Abbas) have authored a **resolution** that will be debated before the Madison City Council on Tuesday, September 17th. That resolution concludes with the "**Madison Common Council does not support the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown.**"

Again, despite our overwhelming turnout of support on Thursday night; 300 hats (*and we are working on more for those who didn't get them*) and over 700 stickers distributed to supporters, where we completely outnumbered the opponents and demonstrated broad community support, there are still concerns about the level of support for the basing amongst some

Alders. Opponents have generated over 100 emails into allalders@cityofmadison.com this weekend and that volume is apparently resonating with some Alders.

Our ask is to **immediately send a short email** to All the Madison Alders via the allalders@cityofmadison.com email address;

- (1) **Opposing the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and**
- (2) **reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission**

That one email address (allalders@cityofmadison.com) goes to all the Madison Alders.

Also, please share this with your friends, family and other social networks so that the vocal minority doesn't drown out the overwhelming support we demonstrated on Thursday for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 selection.

If you are comfortable ccing or bccing the badgerair@gmail.com on your emails, we would like to be able to keep track of the volume of contacts.

This is an issue that impacts more than the City of Madison, so if you do not live in the City of Madison, we still need you to email your support, and if you live in the City of Madison, please make sure to highlight your residency.

Sorry to make an ask so shortly after last Thursday's event, but thank you very much in advance for your quick attention to this request!

Desi

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From: sharkatac66@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:14 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution to oppose F-35A in Madison

Alders of Madison:

I am writing to you to oppose this proposition before you to oppose the F-35A coming to Madison.

The F-35 is a replacement for the current F-16 which has been operating at Truax Field/Madison Dane County Airport for the past 27 years. The F-35 will continue a mutually beneficial relationship with the Wisconsin Air National Guard and the City of Madison that has been ongoing for the past 70 years.

I strongly support continuing this fine tradition between the citizen soldiers of the WIANG and Madison by welcoming the F-35 with open arms.

Respectfully requesting your support,

David Turner
Waunakee, Wisconsin

Veldran, Lisa

From: Brian Colby <bcolby@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:15 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing

Dear Alders,

I am writing in opposition to The Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing at Truax, planned for debate on Tuesday. We need the 115th and all of the economic benefits of basing the F-35 here in the Madison area.

Please reconsider the resolution and support bringing the F-35 to Madison.

Thank you,

Brian

Brian C. Colby
847-812-9072
bcolby@tds.net

Connect with me on LinkedIn:
www.linkedin.com/in/brianccolby

From: Sheri Eakins <mnseakins95@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:16 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the F-35!

Truax Field and its 1,200 members are an important part of the future of Madison and I fully support their conversion to the F-35.

I believe that the most contested issue is the concern of increased noise, but the Mayor's F35 EIS Staff Analysis states that the "long-term impacted area will likely be smaller than the geography shown."

At the public hearing, it was stated that the EIS is drafted as a conservative/worse-case scenario and that the historical flying at the 115th Fighter Wing is actually 20% less than reflected in the report.

The EIS public hearing information in addition to the Mayor's report tells me that noise won't be the issue it has been portrayed to be.

Thank you for your time and supporting the great city of Madison!

Sheri Eakins

Veldran, Lisa

From: Karla Martinez <kkjmartinez@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:17 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 basing

I AM FOR THE F-35 BASING

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Veldran, Lisa

From: BLAKE HEBERT <blakejhebert@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:19 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35 Resolution

All:

I am writing to you asking you to **oppose the Resolution** that opposes the F-35 based in Madison. I am in 100% support for the 115th Fighter Wing to be in Madison and bringing the F35's here! The reasons are endless, however just in case you need to know more:

1. There are currently 1200 directly employed employees by the base and it creates an annual economic activity of 100 Million
2. They provide more than 1 million in annual tuition payments to local colleges helping airmen return to the private sector
3. They provide fire protection and EMT services at Dane County Airport as well as responding to emergencies in the community.
4. This base has been here for 70 years and it truly is a representation of Madison Wisconsin.

Sincerely,

Blake Hebert

Veldran, Lisa

From: Mary Jo Walters <waltersmaryjo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:19 AM
To: All Alders; board@madison.k12.wi.us; county_board_recipients@countyofdane.com; Mayor
Subject: Fwd: F35s not in Madison

My address is 2313 Fremont Ave, my children live on the flight line at 137 Corry Street. Please consider a vote against the F-35s when the board members drafts their resolution. And to the alders vote for the Foster resolution unamended. We don't want a watered down resolution.

Thank you,

Mary Jo Walters

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

From: **Mary Jo Walters** <waltersmaryjo@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Sep 13, 2019 at 11:38 AM
Subject: F35s not in Madison
To: <county_board_recipients@countyofdane.com>

We need to stop these F-35s from coming to Madison. The city can't afford to share the skies with these machines. Many people spoke in opposition by citing the EIS repeatedly with facts that the Air force themselves point out in the EIS. A city council that is unified behind this resolution will be a great show of solidarity to Burlington, Vermont and other urban areas that also do not want a beddown of these jets. I live on the eastside of Madison and have to deal with the F16s on a regular basis. It causes much stress and worry about where these jets go after training on our skies. What harm are they designed to cause? Why do they train over an urban area? Where do they dump their fuel?

I attended the Air Force public meeting on September 12th and listened to people on both sides of the issue. The people who were in opposition that cited the EIS and the harm that bringing the F35s here will cause. Those that are for them are also for a strong military and therefore see somehow that having the jets practice our skies is a form of sacrifice that we the people can offer up. Children losing hearing is harmful. But so is the normalizing of jets in skies to all of us, children the most affected it is upsetting. As happens over Lowell Elementary where my youngest son attends. The commercial flights are enough of a distraction and an assault. We should want to see birds are the skies, not jets.

Please support the resolution, especially for our children. I have addressed the Madison School Board, alders, and county board supervisors in this email to bring attention to the resolution that is going before the counsel THIS TUESDAY and to the importance that each member take a stand on this issue as we citizens are being asked to do. Here is a good website that has more information: <https://www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org/> Hope to see the board members speak on Tuesday.

Thank you to the authors, you heard our voices of asking for a resolution, not just a letter.

Mary Jo Walters
Mother of 3
Eastside/northside resident

From: Russ Johnson <russj465@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:20 AM
To: All Alders

What if a 9-11 happens in Madison, oh were a sanction city, don't bomb here.
We have a opportunity to have first rate military aircraft in Madison!
Don't Blow It
Support the F-35
Did I mention the economic support for this!!!
Thanks Russ Johnson

Veldran, Lisa

From: Polly Elder <eldertown@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:21 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35 support

I completely support the location of F35 aircraft in Madison at the 115th fighter wing.

I also oppose any resolution by the city council in opposition to the F35 in Madison.

Sincerely

Dave Elder

Veldran, Lisa

From: Allison Markoski <allisonmarkoski@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:22 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Oppose F-35s

Good Morning,

Please oppose the F35 plan for Madison. The Staff Report on the plan captures well the reasons to oppose this proposal.

Thank you.

Kind regards,

Allison Markoski
402 Rogers St
Madison 53703

Veldran, Lisa

From: Cole Slominski <cole.slominski@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:23 AM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: I Support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission

- **I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing**
- **I reinforce *my support* for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission**

Cole Slominski
Madison, WI

From: Brad Thompson <bet85@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:28 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support 115 Fighter Wing

Dear City Alders,

I am writing to oppose the resolution against 115 FW basing. My family has owned three homes in Madison over the past 20 years, we love Madison! We are in support for the 115 FW and the F35 mission.

How can you vote against an organization that's been a community partner for 70 years? Employed thousands of jobs and protect our nation and provides emergency response to our state communities during natural disasters.

Please vote in support of the F35 mission and our proud Air National Guard history.

Respectfully

Brad and Deb Thompson
CMSgt, USAF (Ret)

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: Chris Henshue <shue13@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:29 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Together Truax
Subject: Approve F-35's for Madison!

To whom it may concern,

My name is Chris Henshue and having been a resident of Madison nearly my entire life I fully understand Madison "politics." However, I simply cannot believe that there is even a debate on this matter due to the economic and enhanced safety bringing these next generation of fighter's will have for the immediate and surrounding area.

As representatives of the community, I strongly urge you to do the right thing on this topic and not let the vocal minority skew what is best for all of us whether or not the aforementioned in opposition realize it or not.

I CANNOT STRESS HIGHLY ENOUGH MY GREAT SUPPORT FOR THE F-35'S COMING TO MADISON!

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kaelyn Lopez <kaelynkae@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:32 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: please allow F-35 basing

Hello,

Just sending a note to say that I oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing in Madison. I totally support the 115th fighter wing and the F-35 mission and hope you will vote "no" to the proposed resolution.

Thank you!
Kaelyn Lopez

Veldran, Lisa

From: AnnMarie Liesch <am.m.liesch@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:32 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Beddown

Madison Alders,

I urge you all to support Alder Grant Foster's resolution to oppose the F-35 beddown at Truax. Given that this beddown would have so many harmful effects on the residents in the affected areas, **it is absolutely unconscionable and unacceptable to throw your north and east side neighbors under the bus in the name of supposed economic benefits by supporting the F-35s here at Truax.**

The unhealthy levels of noise, harmful effects on children, disproportionately significant effects on low-income and minority residents, reduced property values, municipal water poisoned with PFAS, as well as the high cost to the city/county for sound abatement and water treatment....all of these reasons illustrate how this beddown would be harmful to your north and east side neighbors as well as the city itself. **To support the beddown suggests at best that you are uninformed about the negative impacts to this community, and at worst that you simply do not care about your less-affluent neighbors. This is absolutely unacceptable for a city leader.**

Again, I strongly urge you to support Alder Foster's resolution and not any watered-down resolutions. The F-35s would hurt too many of your fellow residents all in the name of a questionable economic benefit, and this goes against all that Madison stands for. **Please follow the lead of those of us who stand most likely to be negatively impacted by the beddown and say NO to the F-35s.**

Sincerely,

AnnMarie Liesch
919 N Fair Oaks Ave
Madison, WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: Anna Bakken <lefsegundy@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:33 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: SUPPORT for the 115th fighter wings and F35 mission

Anna Bakken

From: Emily Peterson <epeterson@arthritis.org>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:34 AM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: The sound of freedom!

Bring on the F-35's! I live and work (remotely) in Maple Bluff and hearing the F-16's fly over always brings a smile to my face. The noise is a poignant reminder of the sacrifice made by many so that we can enjoy the freedoms we have today. As a community, welcoming the F35's is the very least we can do.

Emily

Emily Peterson

Arthritis Foundation

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Join me at the [Walk to Cure Arthritis 2020!](#)



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From: Jerry Thorsen <thorsenjerry@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:37 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing in their quest for selection as one of the bases to house the F-35 jets. To complain about the occasional short bursts of noise seems a rather small sacrifice some residents may be making. Military members have given their lives for our freedom, some have been horrifically injured, and others have willingly put themselves in harms way serving their country. To put up with noise for short periods of time certainly pales in comparison to the aforementioned sacrifices soldiers have made. There are many reasons that have been submitted supporting the 115th, but for me it is quite simple. Is tolerating noise too much to ask for our safety and our freedom? I think not. We have been fortunate for a fairly long period of time in America to be reasonably safe from attack. Perhaps some are lulled into feeling that this will continue indefinitely. It would be wonderful if we could be certain of that, but we can't. Also, the Base at Truax has been there for 71 years. For almost all of the residents affected by the noise, the noise was there when they chose to purchase homes near Truax. It seems wrong to now complain about the noise. Although I don't live in the Truax residential area, I do live where both military and commercial planes fly over regularly. I hear them, but the noise doesn't bother me at all. There has also been a rather significant increase in commercial flights in recent years, and the noise that the planes make. We certainly don't want the airport discontinued as well just because airplanes make noise. The many services that the 115th provides for our community makes these soldiers deserving of our support. The 115th is a great benefit to this area, and it is my hope that they are rewarded with selection as one of the bases to house the F-35s.

Sincerely,

Jerry Thorsen



Virus-free. www.avg.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sime, Debra <Debra.Sime@wpsic.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:39 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Mission

Please support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Thank you

Debra Sime
1942 La Sierra Way
Madison, WI
53716

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Steve Kensick <skensick@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:39 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 resolution

Sir/Ma'am

I am a long-time resident of Madison. I'm writing to give my full support for the F-35 coming to Madison. I has come to my attention that there is a resolution opposing basing the F-35 to Madison. I urge you to oppose this resolution.

Thank you

R/

Steve Kensick

From: Dan Young <day6553@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:40 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Mayor
Subject: Alder Foster's resolution on F-35s

Dear Alders,

Please support Alder Foster's resolution, (and not the alternative), regarding the F-35 planes potential coming to Madison.

Like most people, I love to see planes fly over. I also support our military. But, the middle of an urban area, close to people's homes, is not the place to have the F-35 planes. I am among the many whose lives will be adversely affected by such a placement. Our quality of life will be ruined and the values of our homes, (lifetime investments/"nest eggs") destroyed. Many of us in the Carpenter-Ridgeway neighborhood have invested decades into our homes, yards and neighborhood. **Please do not support ruining our lives. Please support the Foster resolution.**

Thank you

Daniel Young
3322 Quincy Ave
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Brian Rupert <bl Rupert58@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:40 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

I am opposed to the resolution to keep the 115th wing and the F-35 out of Madison and I want to pledge my support to have the 115th and the F-35 brought to Madison Truax field

Sincerely
Brian Rupert

Veldran, Lisa

From: lynn hellmuth <lhellmuth@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:40 AM
To: All Alders; chris@taylorforassembly.com
Subject: Jets

We do not need these jets! They are an added source of air pollution and noise pollution to our fair city, no matter how much money they bring to the city! Madison needs to keep up our ecological standards, and they don't help with that.

Sent from my iPhone

From: Tim Flatley <timflatley@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:42 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Badger Air Community Council
Subject: Opposing the resolution opposing F-35 Basing

Alders,

I oppose the resolution regarding opposition to the F-35 basing in Madison. I also want to reinforce my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Sincerely,

Tim Flatley

Info for USO Wisconsin

www.usowisconsin.org

Info for U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps

www.seacadets.org

Info on **Support for new F-35 aircraft at Madison WI Air Guard**

<http://togethertruax.com/support#sthash.Gc6YmslP.dpbs>



From: Dave Schroeder <dave.schroeder@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:37 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support for F-35A basing in Madison at 115th Fighter Wing
Signed By: dave.schroeder@wisc.edu

Hello,

I am writing to strongly SUPPORT the basing of F-35A fighters at Truax Field with the 115th Fighter Wing, and to strongly OPPOSE the Madison Common Council resolution titled "Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

Basing of the F-35A in Madison is not just a Madison issue or a Wisconsin issue, nor is it just about jobs. It is a national security issue -- one in which the 115th Fighter Wing and Madison's and Wisconsin's citizen-Airmen have long participated. It is important to note that Wisconsin's entire Congressional delegation supports the basing of the F-35 at Truax in Madison. There are compelling, concrete geographic reasons to have an air superiority fighter wing in this area because of the Air National Guard's air defense mission for North America. Air National Guard fighter aircraft are the first aircraft in the sky, within minutes, in the event of any airspace incursion or threat, to include those which may originate over the North Pole.

The statements which refer to "four times louder than F-16" are contextually false -- they take a statement out of context which refers to the maximum possible sound levels when the afterburner, a system which injects fuel into the jet exhaust, is used.

But afterburners will almost never be used in F-35 takeoffs as they are routinely in F-16 takeoffs, because the F-35A turbofan is more powerful without afterburners. The engine used in the F-35A develops 40,000 lbf of thrust while the engine used on the F-16C develops around 30,000 lbf -- the F-35A weighs about 30,000 lbs (max takeoff 60,000 lbs) while the F-16 weighs about 20,000 lbs (max takeoff 40,000 lbs).

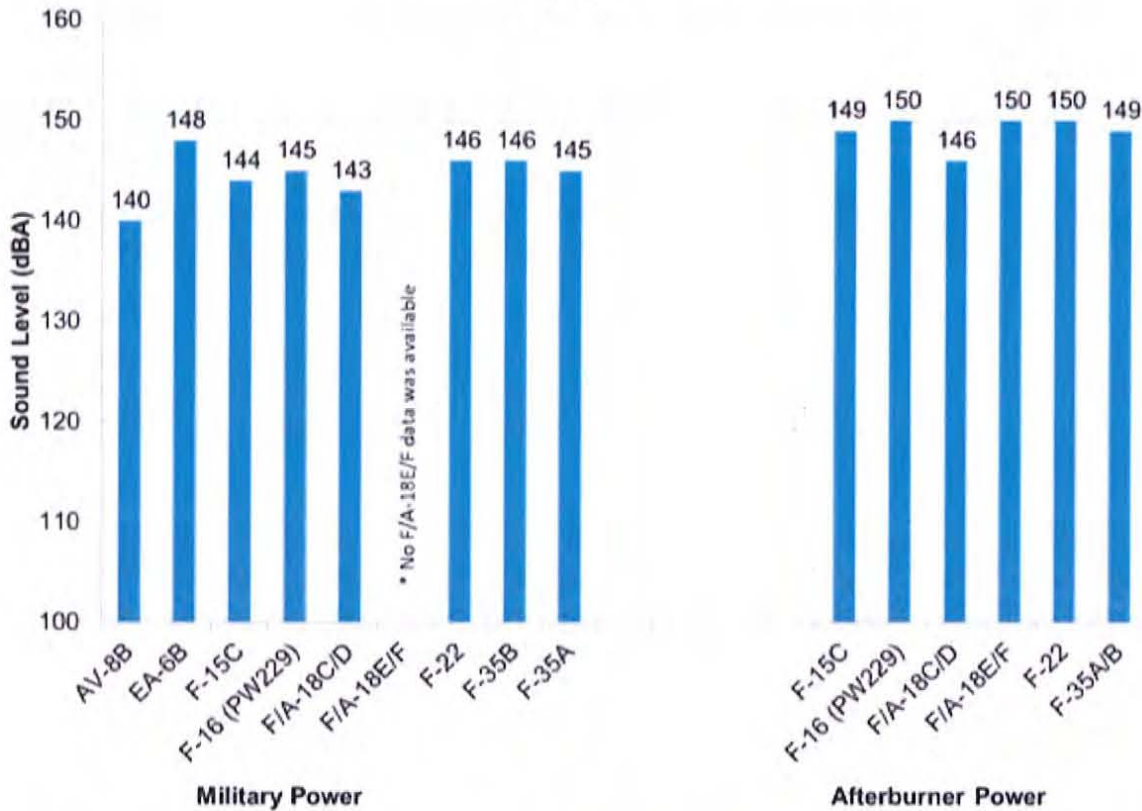
Using military power (no afterburners), both the Block 42 F-16C with the PW229 engine and the F-35A with the F135 engine are 145 dBA at 100% thrust on takeoff. Where it is different is compared to the F-16C/D with the PW220 engine, not used here, which is 103 dBA for military power takeoff. Afterburner takeoffs approach 150 dBA, which do not need to be used for F-35A takeoffs, but are used for more than half of the F-16 takeoffs from Truax.

In routine flight operations, the F-35A does not need to use the afterburners on takeoff except in emergency (alert/full load) situations. Therefore, F-35A flight operations will approximate the same noise level as F-16 -- within 1 dB. Pilots also won't be able to "just use the afterburners because they want to". During takeoff, the F-35A is almost identical in noise level to the F-16 with the PW229 engine, and it is lower in most routine flight conditions.

**Takeoff and Flyover Noise
Table 1**

Condition	F-35A Comparisons				F-35B Comparisons			
	F-35A1 ^{MS}	F-35A ^{MS}	F-16C/D (PW220)	F-16C/D (PW229)	F-35B ^{MS}	F/A- 18C/D ^{MS}	F/A- 18E/F ^{MS}	AV-8B ^{MS}
	L _{max} (dB)	L _{max} (dB)	L _{max} (dB)	L _{max} (dB)	L _{max} (dB)	L _{max} (dB)	L _{max} (dB)	L _{max} (dB)
Mil Takeoff (1000 ft AGL)	112	111	103	110	110	108	113	105
Arrival (non-break, thru 1000 ft AGL, gear down (F-16 data with gear up)	95	93	79	90	92	103	108	90
Low Approach and Go, downwind leg, 1500 ft AGL, gear down; (F-16 data with gear up)	91	89	79	103	87	97	104	85
Radar Pattern (downwind leg, 2000 ft AGL, gear up)	79	79	75	89	77	81	91	85

**Aircraft Ground Noise
Figure 1**



Finally, on the issue of PFAS for firefighting foams, "We should be cautious, but not concerned: there's little evidence PFAS exposure harms our health": <https://theconversation.com/we-should-be-cautious-but-not-concerned-theres-little-evidence-pfas-exposure-harms-our-health-122044>

We should applaud the Air Force, Air National Guard, and 115th Fighter Wing for their transparency on issues like environmental impact of the F-35A -- transparency that likely would have revealed the same issues when the F-16 was first based at Truax. The national defense of the United States must always be in someone's "backyard". It transcends politics and politicians, and I am proud that our neighbors are a part of this mission.

Regards,

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Martha Pings <wi218@ameritech.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:46 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35s in Madison

I live in the airport flight path. No to more noise. If the military is committed to these wasteful planes, there are areas without residential impact where they can locate.

This is not a matter of patriotism. It is a matter of common sense. Why locate in an urban center, where impact is most destructive?

As alders, you should be making our city more livable, not less. The provision of jobs in an economy with low unemployment is not a convincing argument.

It's embarrassing that quality of life issues—water quality, livable noise standards—are on the table for negotiation. These are issues that will impact Madison for generations to come.

Long-term thinking, not short-term impulses, are required.

Sincerely,
Martha Pings
218 Oak Street
Madison 53704

Sent from my error-prone device; apologies abound. Martha

Veldran, Lisa

From: Susan Barthel <sabisbar@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:46 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please Oppose F-35s

As a constituent of Marsha Rummel's district, I am urging Madison Alders to support the Madison City Council Resolution to oppose the F-35.

Thank you,
Susan Barthel
2045 Atwood Avenue, #310
Madison, WI 53704

From: Debra Olson <lvf16s@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:47 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposition to resolution to oppose F-35 // I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission

Good morning

This email is in response to a resolution opposing the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown (bringing the F35s to Madison).

I am opposed to this resolution. Instead, I fully support the mission the 115th Fighter Wing and all it represents to Madison, Wisconsin and our nation.

The 115th Fighter Wing and its F-35 mission is critical to the residents of Wisconsin as well the United States. The Fighter Wing has been in the community since 1948 and has added so much to the community. During the attacks on 9-11, the jets were one of the first to be activated to protect us and our nation. The Wing brings in millions of dollars to the community through their employment of military and non-military members (through salaries, housing, taxes and all other community expenses).

I live in McFarland but work at Madison College and feel fortunate on any day that I get to see or hear the jets. They are an amazing reflection of the dedication of our military members who are willing to give their lives to protect our freedoms. **Freedom is not free!** For those individuals opposing this transition, they need to consider the loss of jobs that will eventually come, the lack of protection to our community and our country and the overall impact to the community as a whole. The F-15s and the F-35s are an amazing display of protecting our country. The "noise" that they make is minimal compared to the constant noise of the airliners. Jets do not fly all day, every day like airliners and they are spectacular to watch. If you live by the airport, you should be accustomed to the noise of the airliners. **Open your mind to what the F-35s really represent – your freedom.**

Support the Operation to bring the F-35s to Madison and support the freedom it will continue to allow us to have in Madison, Wisconsin and our nation.

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Deb Olson
LVF16S@gmail.com

From: Di FRANCIS <dfrancis@biotech.wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:50 AM
To: badgerair@gmail.com
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Once Yes-Now NO - 115th Fighter Jet and F-16 Mission

To Whom It May Concern:

I was in support of everything to do with this project, until I was informed about the attitude Truex Field has taken in regard to their responsibility for the contamination of the water that flows from the airfield into the community.

Apparently, they can find the money for the Fighter Jet Project, and will stop at nothing to implement it, but as far as anything to do with helping to clean up the pollutants they are leeching into our water - they're broke. Too broke to take responsibility to assist in the clean-up and too broke to protect the community, not to mention those on the base itself, from the chemicals given off by the fire retardants used on a regular basis. This is not even taking into account other chemicals & materials that are used to maintain machinery on the base.

Now, even though you aren't taking responsibility for what you've done in the past, or present, you are asking the people of the community to support you bringing even bigger, no doubt more toxic aircraft into our future.

As much as I once loved the idea of having this in my area. My answer is NO. Until you help clean up the mess you've helped to create, you can't be allowed to do anymore damage.

Protecting us doesn't only involve flying high cost airplanes around. It also has to do with helping to protect us from any known danger - including the poisons spewed into our environment.

I was taught that actions speak louder than words. In the present, I see you avoiding responsibility for past mistakes. I won't support future ones.

With deep regret,

Dianne P. Francis
18 Fallview Ct, Apt D
Madison 53704
608/669-8663

From: Aaron Hoff <cucooking123@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:51 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

This is directed to all Madison Alders, the reason I'm writing you is I and all of my family want to show our support for the F35 being selected into the 115th WI ANG. Not only is it an entire state benefit but it's more so a benefit for the Madison area. I have read the entire EIS and wish the people who oppose the F35 would understand that yes it does have a larger area of impact of sound than the current F16 but that in normal flying operations it in fact will not even be noticed by the folks who live here. The area that's impacted is at worst case scenarios which very rarely ever happen It's funny because F35s have actually flown out of Madison several times and nobody has even noticed. That is a fact. I hope that you take into consideration before you try to put a road block on this great asset that people just dont get that the F35 is needed and if the 115th deserves this. They are by far the face of the Air National Guard. Their reputation precedes themselves everywhere they go. Also take into account this doent only effect Madison all the surrounding communities and communities all over the state. Strategical placement of the air bases are crucial to the military. So the argument that they just need to be placed in the boonies where they wont bother any one is not an option. You also have to take into consideration that if you were to do that nobody would want to or be able to work there. I fully support the 115th as the next F35 base!

Veldran, Lisa

From: Scott Johnson <sdjohnson2133@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:52 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35 Resolution

Good Morning!

I am writing to you asking you to **oppose the Resolution** that opposes the F-35 based in Madison. I am in 100% support for the 115th Fighter Wing to be in Madison and bringing the F35's here! The base has been part of the fabric of our community for more than 70 years. It supports 1,200 jobs, with an additional 64 jobs expected as part of the new mission. It creates \$100 million in annual economic output (#3.3 billion over the life of the F-35A). It also provide tuition support for area students who serve in the Guard. These are just a few of many reasons why it's a great asset to our community.

Thank you,

Scott Johnson

From: Eileen Harrington
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:53 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: From a North Side resident: Oppose the F35s

Dear Alders,

I live on the North Side. I urge you to support the resolution in opposition to the F35s at Truax.

Some of my North Side neighbors will be adversely impacted if the F35s are based at Truax. The neighborhoods most impacted are also among the neighborhoods least represented and most often overlooked in the operations and life of our city. I know this because of my work as chair of the Task Force on Government Structure. At whose expense are policy decisions made in the City of Madison? Even though this decision is not being made by the City, the City government should strongly oppose it. Stand up for the interests of our neighbors whose interests are most often overlooked or discounted. Do it, Alders!

I am fortunate to spend four winter months each year in Tucson, AZ. Tucson is home to the Davis-Mothan Air Force Base, which is very large and not in the middle of a residential neighborhood. Military jets regularly fly over the city as they fly in and out of the Air Force Base; it's a fact of life there. The Tucson community and Davis-Mothan really wanted the F35s, yet were not chosen. This decision was political. When the Air Force came up with the list of finalists for the F35s, John McCain was one of Arizona's U.S. Senators and was on the outs with Trump. Ron Johnson and Scott Walker, on the other hand, were doing all they could to cozy up to Trump (think FoxConn and the F35s). Why on earth would the Air Force not chose a large Air Force Base - not National Guard, but a real, full-on Air Force Base - that wanted the F35s, based in a city where folks wanted the F35s and where there would not be adverse effects on residential neighborhoods? Because the Air Force is headed by a Presidentially appointed Secretary of the Air Force who was likely rewarding Trump's allies and punishing his opponents. It makes no sense to put this next generation of America's air defense in Wisconsin, at a dinky Air National Guard Base in the middle of a residential area. This is pork barrel and politics and we don't want it.

3. Frankly, this whole program is just another waste of resources on a military-industrial complex that benefits shareholders and corporations while making the world less, not more, safe. The more we spend on war, the less we spend on caring for people.

Thank you for considering my views.

Eileen Harrington
4209 Veith Avenue
Madison, WI 53704
202-256-5337

From: Kevin Philpot <csphilpot@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:53 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 resolution

I would like to voice my opposition to the city of Madison creating a resolution opposing the F35.
Truax has been a part of Madison for over 70 years
Truax brings federal dollars to the city of Madison and the state of Wisconsin
Truax is one of the largest employers on the north side of Madison
Truax provides free college to kids who may not be able to attend w/o assistance
(or more importantly provide graduates that do not have crushing student debt)

Please consider the benefits to our city over the perceived inconvenience of a few.
As a body, you represent all of us, not just a few.

Kevin Philpot

From: Carrie Baranowski <cabarano@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:58 AM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Oppose F-35s

Good Morning,

I write in support of the Madison City Council resolution opposing F-35s at Truax Field, File #57364v2.

I live in the Sherman Neighborhood and I no longer trust the City of Madison or Dane County to provide a safe environment or clean water for its residents. The Sherman Neighborhood is directly West of the airport and the current F-16s shake my house when they fly over. I now buy my water because the runoff from Truax Field is contaminating our wells. Sherman Neighborhood isn't even the hardest hit with this noise and water pollution. How traumatizing must the impact of the current jets be to residents of Eken Park and anyone else directly in the path of Truax Field's runways? These neighborhoods are home to many low income minority residents – where will they go when their houses are uninhabitable? Classes at Madison College Truax Campus and Mendota Elementary – note that these two schools lie on opposite sides of the airport indicating that the noise is not limited to the length and width of the runway - come to a halt when the jets fly over; teachers cease the discussion and students cover their ears because the noise is so deafening. The F-35s are louder and will fly more frequently.

I've heard time and time again that this is a federal decision, that the city and county have no say. As my elected officials, I expect to be represented in any communications between the county, city, and federal officials. Tammy Baldwin has certainly lost my vote and I will make decisions during the next election based on how I'm represented during this decision; I'm asking you to please represent my opposition to the F-35s.

Please do not bring these weapons to our community.

Thank you,

Carrie Baranowski

1817 Vahlen Street

Madison, 53704

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Veldran, Lisa

From: jesse.ganz@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:59 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Please do not oppose the F-35 and please support the 115th.

It is a great opportunity for our community and will bring additional jobs.

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Jesse Ganz
US: 310-849-3808

Veldran, Lisa

From: Steven Hanna <steven.hanna548@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:01 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support the F-35

I am in support of the F-35 being stationed in Madison at Truax Field. I am against the resolution to oppose the F-35 basing in Madison at Truax Field.

Steven Hanna

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jim Sacia <jimsacia@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:04 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Basing F35 in Madison

We live in northern Illinois just 55 miles south of Madison, certainly in the protection distance of the 115th mission. My family and I are opposing the resolution that opposes the F 35 basing in Madison. We strongly support the 115th and the F 35. Mission. Jim and Jenny Sacia. 5269 Kasch Rd, Pecatonica, Illinois 61063

Veldran, Lisa

From: Paula Hanna <paula.hanna548@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:05 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support the F-35

I am in support of the F-35 and am against the resolution that would stop the F-35 from coming to Madison.

Paula

From: Tim Rogers <trogers393@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:09 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose the Resolution

Greetings Alders of Madison,

I'm writing you in hopes that you will oppose the resolution regarding the F-35. And that you all will support the 115th Fighter Wing by all means necessary to include the mission of the F-35. I used to work at the 115th when I was in the Air National Guard loved every minute of it. The Airport Fire Department gets a good deal of funding from the United States Air Force. There really won't be much noise difference. We already get F-18 and F-15 flying into Madison. Traux has been here in Madison for a long time. It would be really nice see the F-35 here so one day I can take my children to see them as my father took me to see the F-16.

So please support the F-35.

Thank you

Tim

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bill Ryan <definitivedetailer@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:09 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Resolution

Dear City Alders:

I am writing this email to ask that you oppose the resolution against the F-35 beddown at Truax Field.

The 115th has been in operation since 1950, and the prevention of the F-35 beddown endangers many jobs and the increased economic activity that come with them.

I believe that for the vast majority, airport operations and the short-duration noise are not a concern, and that the ANG has overwhelming support in the local community of Madison and surrounding communities.

I ask that this resolution be voted down so that the 70-year relationship between Madison and the ANG can continue.

With respect,

William Ryan
Waunakee, WI

Sent from my iPhone

From: srmueller1970@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:10 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s in Madison

Hello,

I respect your willingness to represent and support the citizens of the City of Madison. Thank you for your efforts.

The people who work for the Air National Guard and US Air-force at Truax Field are Madison people. Let's not forget that. Having the US Government consider Madison for placement of F-35 fighters is a great honor. It speaks to the history of the hard work, dedication, and preparation Madison people have put into protecting our country, our region, and our state. It speaks to the expertise they have developed. It speaks to the professionalism of our community members who support the F-16s, the county employees who work supporting the Dane County Regional Airport, the City of Madison employees and [County of Dane](#) employees who support the area around the airport, and others who make everything work at a high level of efficiency and excellence. It's a true honor to be considered for placement of our country's most valuable, expensive, and advanced air defense systems.

The City of Madison played a roll in placement of low cost housing near the airport. If you don't want low cost house near the airport, don't approve it. But, airport users should not restricted by the mistakes of the City of Madison government.

The reality is that F-35s have very likely already flown out of our airport and no one noticed. No one complained. I live directly beneath the flight path of the main north / south runway of the Dane County Regional Airport. Passenger jets and fighter jets alike routinely fly over my home at approximately 1000 or less feet above. I see a wide variety of military aircraft fly by and experience no discernible difference compared with the F-16s. I know what the environmental impact study says. That's worst case scenario. But in the real world experience, no one will know the difference. That is my personal experience.

But the benefits of financial impact of Madison upgrading to F-35s will far outweigh any negatives of noise created. Not only that, but the financial impact goes far beyond the borders of the City of Madison. Dane County, and South Central Wisconsin could all be impacted positively by the financial impact of millions of dollars of supporting funds. Our governments need this funds, our businesses need those funds, and our people need those funds.

In conclusion, I am a Dane County resident and county employee. I know our employees are facing serious insurance cost increases. I am confident that Madison employees will likely be facing similar increases. Do you have a plan to cover those costs? Wouldn't additional tax revenue due to the financial impact of such a large governmental investment into our community make a difference in caring for your employees? I know it would help ours. Solidarity is more than just a slogan on a marching sign. It's something to be dedicated to.

Please support F-35s in Madison. Possible changes in negative impact over F-16s is minimal. Every other impact is good for all of us.

Respectfully,

Steven Mueller

Veldran, Lisa

From: Rummel, Marsha
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:11 AM
To: Veldran, Lisa
Subject: Fwd: F-35s

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Karen Cornelius <reporting@cityofmadison.com>
Date: September 16, 2019 at 8:33:17 AM CDT
To: <district6@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: F-35s

General Information

Name: Karen Cornelius

Address: 426 Clemons Ave

City: Madison

State: WI

ZIP: 53704

Phone:

Work Phone:

Email:

Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I am completely horrified about and completely against the possibility of F-35s at Truax Field for all the obvious reasons:

- Pollution of air and water.
- Noise. This neighborhood is extremely noisy already what with commercial jets, sirens, F-16s, trains.
- I don't want nuclear-capable jets in my backyard.
- I don't support the Military-Industrial-Congressional complex. It's corrupt.
- The F-35s have already cost us 1.4 trillion. Too much.
- I deplore the misleading terminology about the F-35s and decibels, i.e., decibels vs DNL. Neither the F-16s nor the F-35s sound like any vacuum cleaner, which seems to be the prevalent example.
- Extreme noise has been proven to be a health hazard.
- Extreme noise has been proven to adversely affect children's ability to learn.
- I am opposed to the racial and economic discrimination involved in the F-35 proposal.
- The F-35s could supposedly create 64 jobs. That seems extremely insignificant, given the overall cost.

I ask you to oppose the F-35s.

Recipient:

Marsha A. Rummel



From: Jamie Hustad <rosej1294@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:12 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for the F-35 Mission at Truax Field

Good Morning,

Word has spread that the Madison City Counsel will be submitting a resolution that opposes the F-35 Mission, and this truly baffles me. The Madison City Counsel is supposed to promote the safety, health and well-being of the community, and I don't see how opposing the F-35 Mission accomplishes that entirely. Sure, about 150 homes will be inconvenienced by the louder jets, however how many of those people are home during the day while 90% of the training flights are being conducted? I would confidently guess maybe only 20, if that. Are they required to live close to the base and airport? No. They specifically chose to buy/rent close to an air base/airport when they moved in. They have always been well aware of the noise that exists and would come in the future. They, and now you, are more concerned with the "what-ifs" than anything else, and more concerned over a select group of individuals than the greater good. This is unacceptable as elected personnel. The **proposed** environmental impact is just that, proposed, and based on a worst-case scenario. Where is your optimism? Where is your loyalty to the State you live in, not alone the City, when you promote 150 peoples' concerns over the greater good? The F-35 Mission will bring hundred of jobs, permanent and temporary, military and civilian. Without the F-35 Jets, the base will decline and eventually become a vacant base due to becoming a no-flying base. These are the first types of air bases to shut down as they are not seen as important as competitive flying air bases. This is undeniable. No F-35 jets will result in over 3,000 Military members transferring to another base for duty, and bringing in money to another city in time. Can Madison withstand to lose millions of dollars and thousands of personnel whose sole job is to assist the public in all ways possible? No. Who assisted with the flooding last spring or the fires downtown? You may not have known the National Guard is everywhere assisting the public without publicity of their actions. No F-35s will also result in thousands, military and civilian, losing their jobs that are associated with Truax Field. I guarantee if this happens, you will have a lot more pissed off people to deal with, than those who *chose* to live next to an air base and airport. These people complain that they can't move. Have they tried? The F-35 Mission wouldn't begin training flights until 2023. Are you really telling the public, and feeding into the mouths of those opposing this Mission, that within the next FOUR years they can't or won't be able to move? That there won't be more housing and apartments built in surrounding areas? Yes, people are forced to move out of their existing homes, I would be upset in the moment, too. I won't deny that. However, most, myself included, realize that 150 people thinking they are more important than thousands and the entire state of Wisconsin is ludicrous.

I support the F-35 Mission at Truax Field. You should too.

Jamie L. Hustad

*I do not consent to any reply emails regarding this message of SUPPORT for the F-35 Mission at Truax Field.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Stephen Gosch <stephengosch9@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:15 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 War Planes

Dear Alders,

I am writing in support of City Council Resolution #57364 opposing the deployment of F-35 war planes at Truax Field. The noise produced by these planes will impair the health and destroy the peace of mind for many residents living on the north side of town. Minority people who live near the airport will be disproportionately affected. (Even though I live on the far west side, I will also be affected. Noise from the flights of the F-16s is an unwelcome reminder to me of the folly of American militarism. In addition, the ongoing contamination of the groundwater at Truax, which has already caused the shutdown of one well, a well intended to supply residents with clean drinking water, promises to continue and intensify as a result of the toxic substances that will be used to service the F-35s.

But I ask that, in addition to the very important environmental issues, the Council consider two others in order to advise the federal government regarding local concerns. First, the ruinous cost of the F-35 (estimates vary from \$80 million to \$158 million), when combined with the rest of the colossal Pentagon budget, deprive us of funds to address glaring needs in infrastructure repair, education, green energy, health care, public housing, mass transportation and student debt, to list only a few such needs. Second, and most important of all for me, is the matter of the purpose of the F-35. Why is it being built? Its supporters claim it will protect us. From what? From whom? I submit there is no credible answer to these questions because we - Americans - are already far overprotected. Seven to eight hundred U.S. military bases worldwide (does anyone know the exact number?) and an annual "defense" budget of more than \$700 billion are far, far in excess of what we need. If the Council were to advise the federal government that the people of Madison think the F-35 is not needed, it would be taking a small but significant step toward halting the militarization of American life. It would also be taking a small but significant step toward reaffirming our threatened democratic institutions.

Sincerely,

Stephen S. Gosch
73 Oak Creek Trail
Madison, WI 53717

Veldran, Lisa

From: Stephanie Wolfe <jacandsteph@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:15 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35 plane

I would like to have it be known that I am in support of the F35 plane at Truax base in Madison Wisconsin.

Thank you

Stephanie Wolfe

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Laurie Vanderbloemen <Laurie.Vanderbloemen@summitcreditunion.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:16 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: 'badgerair@gmail.com'
Subject: Supporting the 115th Fighter Wing

Dear Madison Alders,

I'm sending this email in **opposition** of your proposed Resolution that opposes the F35 base at Truax Field. The benefits of Truax Field being chosen as the site for the F35th far outweigh any opposition that has been brought up during the discussions on this matter. We as a community should feel proud that we are included in the final selection and feel a bit safer to have this talent so close to home. Above that imagine the economic impact that we can benefit from by having them based here in Madison.

Laurie Vanderbloemen

Veldran, Lisa

From: Matthew Underwood <matt@underwoodlegal.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:16 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: 115th Fighter Wing

Dear Madison Alders:

I strongly oppose your resolution opposing the F-35 basing. The F-35 wing provides tremendous economic support to the greater Madison area, and it would be a loss to the community if this program were to be based in another city. I live on the east side of Madison and fully support bringing the F-35 program to Madison.

Matthew J. Underwood | Attorney

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Monona, WI 53716

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Jeff Sudmeier <jsudmeier@accuray.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:18 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 basing

Good morning,

I urge you to support the F-35 basing. We should be proud as a community to receive these jets.

My home is in the flight path, each time we hear them we look to spot the aircraft.

I fully support the F-35 basing.

Sincerely, Jeff Sudmeier

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Larry Liesen <Larry@1servicetitle.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:19 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 Mission

Good Morning,

As a Wisconsin resident and prior Military I believe this would be a great addition to the State of Wisconsin.

I ask that you give it much thought and to not oppose the F-35 basing. I would like to add that I support 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission, and hoping that you can do the same.

Sincerely,

Larry



Larry Liesen

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Lyndsey Dewing <LBannow@bollervaughan.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:19 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support of F35s

Dear Alders:

I am writing to express my support of the 115th Fighter Wing and the F35s coming to Madison, WI. My husband works for the National Guard at Truax, and this will directly impact him. I feel this is a huge boost for Madison and it is something to be excited about! The pros of the F35s *greatly* outweigh the cons.

Thank you for listening to everyone and in making the right decision.

All the best,
Lyndsey Dewing
Paralegal for Attorney Matthew Boller
Boller & Vaughan LLC
605 W. Main St.
Madison, WI 53703
(608) 268-0268
F (608) 268-2682

Veldran, Lisa

From: john.dowling191@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:20 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 plane

I am in support of the F-35's being stationed in Madison at the truax airfield. I am also against the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing in Madison.

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Greg Gottschalk <ggottschalk624@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:21 AM
To: All Alders; BadgerAir@gmail.com
Subject: I Support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission

- **I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing**
- **I reinforce *my support* for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission**

Greg Gottschalk
Lodi WI 53555

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kathy Albrecht <kfa50@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:22 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Vote YES to F-35s

Vote YES to the F-35s. The F-35s secure having a military base in the area. YES to the F-35s. The military base is beneficial to our area for many reasons!

I lived there when Truax was alive with activity.

NEWSFLASH:

People MOVED into the area NOT the Air Base.

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Veldran, Lisa

From: Terry Ross <tross.madison@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:24 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposing F-35s at Truax

Hello Alders,

I am writing in support of our communities and in support of Madison City Council resolution #57364 OPPOSING F-35s at Truax.

I am a former employee at Madison College and have friends and family members in the communities that would be directly and negatively affected by this initiative. As a resident of Madison, I am opposed to having the F-35s because of these impacts and for public health and safety reasons.

You know all the reasons why the F-35s are inappropriate for our city at this time.

I am writing to ask for your support of this resolution.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Terry Ross
555 S Midvale Blvd, 322
Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Raffel, Jason <jason.raffel@uwss.wisconsin.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:24 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Bring the F-35 TO TRUAX FIELD

Dear Madison Alder Persons,

Please reconsider your stance on OPPOSING the F-35 being based here at Truax Field. This will help the Madison/Dane County economy by keeping jobs (which will increase) and ensure a great future for the Madison Economy. The Slight increase in noise will be negligible to all living in the area. I have been a resident of the Eastside of Madison my whole life. Listening to the sound of not only Military Jets but also Civilian Air Liners. I see that more civilian air liners are running more flights out of Madison like never before but nothing is said about that. At least the Air National Guard is up front about what they are trying to accomplish. Please support this mission. Hundreds of jobs depend on your influence.

Regards,

Jason Raffel

From: Brian P <brianxpook@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:25 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: I Support having the 115th Fighter Wing at Truax

Hello,

I believe having the 115th Fighter Air Wing stationed at Madison's Truax Field aligns nicely with where Madison and the surrounding suburbs are heading as a Midwest technology hub and future-looking innovation hub.

Attracting the best-and-brightest is multifaceted. Adding these high profile aircraft to the Madison "brand" can only continue putting Madison "on the map" of being a happening and forward-looking destination, that's not on an overpriced, overcrowded coastal city.

Additionally, Madison could be seen as a safer place to park such assets, away from the more militarily vulnerable coasts.

I do understand that the noise and fuel usage may raise the hackles of some, but the stronger *Brand Perception* of the city of Madison should bring in investors and people wanting to live in a high-tech city with a high-tech Air Force Fighter wing.

Thank you for reviewing my humble opinion. I hope I have helped make your decision more clear.

Thanks,

Brian J Pook
Cottage Grove, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Maggie Wallace <barwmc24@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:25 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the F35

Good morning,

I oppose the ban being voted on to oppose and I fully support F-35s being based at Truax Field/Dane County Regional Airport.

Thank you,
Maggie Wallace

From: Kristopher Loy <loy.kris@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:28 AM
To: Abbas, Syed; All Alders
Subject: F-35 Support

Good Morning,

First I would like to thank all of the City of Madison Alders for their tireless work in supporting our community. With that said, I do not agree with the recently proposed resolution by Alders Rebecca Kemble, District 18, and Grant Foster, District 15, that is in opposition to the F-35's coming to Madison. In fact, I strongly oppose their resolution.

I have lived and worked on Madison's beautiful Northside for 19 years. The 115th Fighter Wing is part of and plays an integral role in our community. Whether it's their employees who support our local businesses and economy, or the financial contribution(s) provided to the Dane County Regional Airport. Many individuals who live in the area are unaware that the 115th Fighter Wing also provides fire protection to not only the base and their aircraft, but the Regional Airport as well. This fire protection is essentially provided at no cost to Dane County (an approx. \$1.5 million annual value). If the F-35's are not chosen to come to Madison, the financial impact to Madison would be significant. These are some of the reasons I oppose the resolution in opposition to the F-35's. Thank you for your time.

Kristopher Loy
2353 Superior Street
Madison, WI 53704
608.358.7399

From: Katelyn West <katelyn.l.west@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:31 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: We support the F-35 Mission!

Good morning,

I'd like to voice my unwavering support for the F-35s and the incredible revenue they will bring to Madison and the surrounding communities. The opposing resolution not only hurts our local economy, but it goes against the one thing we should all be unified in- supporting our troops and the defense of this nation. Especially following remembrance of September 11, 2001, it should be fresh in our minds what the enemies of America are capable of and the importance in have a strong military and unwavering civilian support of our troops.

We support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission!!!

Respectfully,

Katelyn West
katelyn.l.west@gmail.com
608-770-1377

Veldran, Lisa

From: Craig Rapp <rapp.craig.b@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:35 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

Dear Madison Alders,

I am writing to ask you to vote against the resolution opposing the F-35 basing in Madison. The Air Force presence is an extremely important part of the local economy and the additional approval of the F-35s will bring even more jobs to our local economy. I strongly believe the benefits outweigh the downsides and I hope you all make the correct decision at the council meeting this Tuesday, September 17th.

Best,

Craig Rapp

Veldran, Lisa

From: Alice Schneiderman <alice.maxink@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:39 AM
To: All Alders; Melissa Sargent; Sen.Miller@legis.wisconsin.gov
Subject: We oppose F-35's at Truax

We are very concerned about water & air quality in Madison.

We oppose F-35's at Truax.

Alice, David, & Elizabeth Schneiderman
4314 Prairieview Dr.
Madison 53704
608/241-4677

Ronald, Harriet, & Stephen Dinerstein
2006 Anhalt Dr.
Madison 53704
608/246-9783

From: Ruth Elmendorf <ruthel@fullcompass.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:41 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the F-35 Mission at Truax Field

To whom it may concern,

I support the F-35 Mission coming to Truax Field. It will bring economic growth to the area in the form of many permanent jobs and also in the form of the construction jobs and personnel to build the facility.

I feel this growth far outweighs any negative impact to the area. The airport has been operating on this site for over 60 years and Truax has been in operation since 1942. Why, suddenly, do you feel that this is not a good fit for Madison?

The EIS Represents the Maximum Potential Impact

Specific to the noise contour maps, the modeling used to create the maps overestimates the potential impact of the F-35s for the following real-world flight operations;

- The noise contours are modelled based off the projected number of operations. The modeling in the EIS unnecessarily enlarges the area of the noise contours by assuming, falsely, that all flights will happen from Truax field, which never happens.
 - Historically 20% of flights occur elsewhere because of a training exercise outside of Madison or because of overseas deployments.
 - 10% of operations are cancelled due to inclement weather.
 - 10% of operations include a refueling by the KC-135s out of Milwaukee, which gives the wing an extra flight without the need for a takeoff from Milwaukee.
- Further still, the modeling further assumes that an increase in flights that will take place because the F-16s will need to maintain the alert mission while the F-35s arrive will not end. The noise contour represents two styles of jets flying out of Truax. Once the alert mission is transferred to the F-35s the noise contour will further shrink.

Not getting the F-35 Mission will negatively impact the 115th Fighter Wing

Opponents have argued that the 115th Fighter Wing will carry-on, not impacted if they do not receive the F-35 mission. That is not true.

- The 115th Fighter Wing flies the oldest F-16s in the Air Force and they have a shelf-life and it is approaching. F-16s are being replaced with F-35s.
- When the F-16s are gone, not every Air National Guard unit is getting F-35s. When they go away, nothing is replacing them except the F-35s.

We could lose the airbase altogether!! That would be devastating – in the form of a lost economy, lost service personnel who come to our aid in emergency situations such as fire abatement, and lost security, not just for Madison, but for our entire state!

Economic impact

Opponents of the basing have highlighted the net increase of 64 jobs as too small of increase to support the basing. We strongly disagree with this disingenuous framing. The economic impact of this investment is the continuation of the \$100 million of economic output (not including the multiplier of economic impact to the community of conservatively 3 times that amount), 1,200 +64 jobs, 300-400 construction jobs, \$30 million in improvements to the airport, \$1 million in tuition reimbursement annually... totals up to over \$3.3 billion in economic impact to the region over the lifetime of the F-35s. It is not about only 64 jobs, it's about potentially losing another Oscar Mayer, GM in Janesville or Chrysler in Kenosha... plus the spill over impact to Volk Field and the 128th Air Refueling Wing in Milwaukee.

The effort has the support of elected officials who are rarely found to be in agreement: Republican U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson and former Gov. Scott Walker are on board with the F-35s along with Democratic U.S. Sen. Tammy Baldwin and former Gov. Jim Doyle — not to mention state lawmakers who represent the Madison area.

As the community and the Air Force take the next steps toward a final decision, we have an opportunity to work together to propose solutions, reach compromises and forge a partnership that benefits all of Madison.

Please support the F-35 Mission for the 115th Fighter Wing at Truax Field.

Thank you.

Ruth P. Elmendorf

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bill Buchholz <billmbuchholz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:44 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 proposed resolution.

I oppose your resolution not to support the the F-35 wing at Truax. You must support the F-35 project. I will be watching very closely how each of you vote.

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Siegert <msiegert@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:44 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 in Madison

I am a supporter of the 115th Fighter Wing getting the F-35 and oppose the Madison Common Council Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing! The pros greatly out weigh the cons in the debate over basing the F-35 in Madison!

Marvin Siegert

From: Renny Clukas <reyncluk@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:48 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

To all Madison Alders:

Truax Field has been in Madison for long enough that everyone within ear-shot of the field must know about it! If those folks who are upset with the "possible" increase in noise levels are so worried, I believe the market for houses is still a "buyers" market. Please allow the F-35 squadron to operate here. I, for one, would enjoy watching (and hearing) the best military fighter in the air!

Renny Clukas

Veldran, Lisa

From: John Payette <john.payette@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:48 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 Vote

All:

I am writing to voice my support for Truax Field hosting the F-35 fighter program. The 115th Fighter Wing has been an integral part of Madison's fabric for decades, going back to the propeller age. The 115th has been on the leading edge of Air Force technology numerous times during that 70 year span. Maintaining that status is important for Madison both politically and economically. The ripple effects of rejecting the F-35 program and losing the 115th would reverberate through not just the east side, but the entire City of Madison, for decades.

I ask you to reject the upcoming resolution that opposes F-35 basing. Please support the 115th Fighter Wing as it moves into the future with the F-35.

Sincerely,

John T. Payette
Madison Resident since 1992.

From: Brandon Strand <strand.brandon@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:48 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Against Resolution Opposing F-35 basing

Good morning:

I'm contacting you today to urge your opposition to the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and to voice my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

The 5th Operation Beddown would bring additional investment to our community and result in over 60 new permanent jobs as well as hundreds of temporary construction jobs. This will also ensure that the Truax airfield, with 1,200 employees and \$100 million estimated annual impact, would be protected next time the military considers which bases to close.

I live in Waunakee and commute by the airport daily for work. Our office is also about five miles from Truax and can attest that the noise inconvenience of take-offs/landings are minor compared to the great benefit this continued relationship brings to the economy.

I support the 115th Fighter Wing and strongly urge your opposition to the resolution opposing the F-35. Thanks for your careful consideration,

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Brandon Strand

From: Joshua King <joshua.king@histosonics.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:49 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Alder Resolution Opposing F-35 Mission: Realizing the opportunity at hand

Dear Madison Alders,

It is with a great sense of urgency that I am compelled to write this message strongly supporting the 115th Fighter wing and the F-35 mission as it has been proposed for the greater Madison area. The F-35's capabilities as a force deterrent and precision strike technologies alone are more than sufficient reasons for the entirety of the Madison population to champion being home-based in the greater Madison area. These capabilities, when trained and ready, are extremely valuable in avoiding conflict when avoidance is viable, but are also valuable in ensuring that any force required can be delivered with surgical precision thereby avoiding unintended damage to life or property. I am proud to have our American women and men train to those objectives here in Madison and I am surprised that those opposing the F-35's don't share those same values.

I trust that all of the Madison Alders share the same pride in our Armed Forces and the benefits I have outlined above in regards to providing the 115th Fighter Wing with training capabilities that only Truax and Volk Fields can provide. As a business person in Madison, I also recognize the benefit of having the F-35's based in Madison and the positive economic impact for decades to come. All people of Madison will benefit from the F-35's and with the steps the 115th have provided to mitigate any noise issues I believe that any resolution opposing the F-35's mission here in the Madison area be objectively denied.

I am available to discuss further if any further questions are requested.

Respectfully,

Josh King
Vice President
HistoSonics Inc.
608.332.8124

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From: Andy Weidert <andyweidert@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:51 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Opposition

Dear Alders,

I'm writing to oppose the F-35 jets. The current military jets are already too loud. I live in the Eastmorland neighborhood, and you cannot talk to the person next to you when they fly over, even when indoors. There have been many times when I'm on a phone call for work, and I have to hang up and call back when they are done because the person on the other line can't hear me over the jet noise. I can't imagine even louder jets. Please do what you can to stop the F-35s.

Thanks,

Andy Weidert

Veldran, Lisa

From: JJJ <jjjones51@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:52 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

I Support bringing the F-35's to Madison!

Jeffrey Jones, 5406 Brookshire Ln, Madison WI 53714

Sent from my iPhone

From: Judy Bannow <judybannow@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:55 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

We would like to express our appreciation for all that had been done and is being done to bring the F35's to Madison. We are 100% behind this plane and the fact that Wisconsin is helping to keep us safe. We certainly hope there will never be a reason to defend our country at home. We realize the importance of drills that are required and find it comforting when we see them flying. We need to keep this plane in Madison!

Thank you,

Mike and Judy Bannow

From: Madonna Bigelow <madonna.bigelow@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:55 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Vote YES for F-35s

Please vote YES to bringing the F-35s to Madison. This secures our Truax base for years to come.

A few years back there was a possibility of losing our Truax military base. That would be a serious economic loss to the Madison area, affecting the money brought in and the housing market.

Bringing the F-35s here secures having the military base here for years to come.

VOTE YES!

Thanks you.

Madonna Bigelow

From: Maria Powell <mariacpowell@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:55 AM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Cc: Maria Powell (MEJO)
Subject: Resident concerns about F-16s & F-35s

Please also read the testimony of MEJO's vice president Touyeng Xiong, who grew up in the Truax apartments and still lives there with his large family:

<http://mejo.us/mejos-touyeng-xiong-testifies-against-proposed-f-35s-at-truax-base/>

Thank you for listening to these residents' concerns about the F-16s and F-35s.
Maria

On 9/15/2019 12:51 PM, Maria Powell (MEJO) wrote:

Hello Alders and Mayor:

I have heard F-35 proponents and others claim that low income residents near the base are "used to" the jet noise, implying that it doesn't bother them. So yesterday I spent a few hours walking around in the Truax Apartment area talking with people about the F-16 jet noise and how they feel about the F-35s.

One woman I talked to really wanted to share her thoughts about the F-16s and F-35s with public officials, and was upset that she wasn't aware of public meetings last week. So I video-taped her (at her request). See the video here (a little over 1 minute):

[Truax Apartment residents on F-35s](#)



Thanks for listening to her input on this. Almost all of the other residents I spoke with expressed similar concerns.

Maria

Maria Powell, PhD
Executive Director, Midwest Environmental Justice Organization
Madison, WI 53704

From: gstorck@tds.net
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:59 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Vote NO on F-35 deployment

Dear Madison Alders,

I am writing to ask that you stand up for what is right and good and support the Kemble/Foster city council resolution regarding deploying F-35 fighters in Madison.

Deploying these noisy, polluting war machines will irrevocably alter Madison for the worst. Madison area residents already are coping with the noise of other warplanes and the polluted wells from the Air Force putting PFAs in our drinking water.

If you vote to support this you will be supporting creating multiple crises. A crisis for property values. A crisis for affordable housing. A crisis for education, for small business, for developing brains of our children.

There is no upside to this deployment for Madison whatsoever. Our quality of life will be permanently downgraded.

No local elected representative can support this without grossly betraying the constituents they claim to represent.

This is a stark choice, either stand with the citizens of Madison and what is best for our community and future, or stand with the Military Industrial complex against the people.

This is the most important decision you will ever make. You can choose to be the hero, or you can be the goat. History will remember your vote. If you support this, that vote will follow you like a millstone around your neck. Whenever their overwhelming noise drowns out all conversation, your vote will be remembered. Your constituents will make a note of it. They will call you out on it if you vote to betray them.

When the cost of housing, unaffordable for so many already rises, it will be on you because you voted to support making large parts of the north and east sides very painful to inhabit. When this forces more people into homelessness, it will be on you. Each time these F-35s screech overhead, it will be in your name, because you voted to support this.

Think long and hard about this decision if you have the slightest intention of voting yes. This decision is about the future of our city and region. Don't blow this vote. Your legacy is on the line. You are a city of Madison alder. Your first responsibility is to Madison. Please uphold your office and do the right thing.

Sincerely,

Gary Storck
POB 3410
Madison WI 53704

From: William Otis <wgotis1215@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:59 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support of 115th Fighter Wing and F35 Mission

Alders,
I support the F35 Mission and the 115th Fighter Wing in Madison! The future of the National Guard in Madison and the overall economic benefit of the base in the Madison and Wisconsin is critically tied to the F35 initiative! Please support this critical initiative to allow for a bright future for the 115th Fighter Wing.

Sincerely,

William Otis

From: Amber Arb <amber.advocates@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:03 AM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: Please say no to F-35's!

Dear Mayor and Madison Alders,

In 2017, I achieved my personal dream of buying a home. It took me three years of searching, seven offers, and years of saving up. Currently, I am a proud owner of a beautiful ranch home on Melrose Street. I love my home, I love my neighborhood, and I love my community. For years, I have been watching the renaissance of the Madison Northside community and have appreciated the repainting of pedestrian tunnels, the relocation of the Willy's Co-op, and all the new businesses springing up over the years.

Your decision to allow f-35's will destroy my neighborhood, my future, and my home. Those who can afford to leave will do so, and allowing the f-35s will completely destroy our community, the housing values, and all of your own investment over the last few years. I strongly encourage you to stand up for our community, and not allow the usage of f-35's.

As I'm sure you are aware, the long term noise and environmental pollution connected with these military planes will make the surrounding area uninhabitable. If you have any understanding of social determinants, this decision could cost the Madison community hundreds of millions in lost property values, increased health care cost, environmental damage, and increased crime and public safety costs. **How is there any other answer than a ban of the f-35s?!**

Please do the just thing and block the use of F-35's in Madison.

Sincerely,

Amber Arb
amber.advocates@gmail.com
1906 Melrose Street
Madison WI

608-206-4333

From: Kalynn Baumann <kbaumann527@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:05 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support for basing of F-35 planes at Madison Truax Base

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my support for the basing of the F-35 jets at the Madison Truax Base and oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.

I was born and raised in the Madison area and so proud that our community has a long history with the Truax Air Force Base. My Father, Wayne Harvey, was based at Truax for many years as a Master Sergeant and had the responsibility of being the procurement specialist for the 115th Fighter Wing. He was proud to serve this country and proud to be a part of Truax in the community. I also have the honor to be friends with many men and women who serve at the Truax base and have families that support them in this community. The services the base provides for the community and the jobs that the base supports for our men and women in the military are priceless. For many years the base has been honored to keep and service the F-16 jets. The community has supported this honor. We should be honored that the base has been selected as one of two in the country to continue the service and upgrade to the enhanced F-35 jets that will continue to protect our country. Without the basing of these jets, the current services of the base will become obsolete and countless jobs will be on the line because of our failure to embrace change. To those men and women who serve at Truax, it isn't just a job. It is the honor to serve their country right in their own community. If we don't support the basing of these jets, their ability to serve within their own community and the way of life their families know will be at jeopardy. While I understand that those opposed to the basing of the new jets are concerned about the noise level, the very short term noise, which is really no louder than the current F-16 jets produce, is a small price for continued country protection, continued community job growth and keeping our military service members and their families in this community.

Please be very mindful of your voting actions as you discuss and decide on this important matter. While some are concerned about the short term noise level, the majority are concerned about the long term future of our Truax Base here and want to keep it thriving in this community.

Please consider opposing the resolution that opposes the basing of the F-35 jets at our base. Your vote for support matters for so many.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kalynn Baumann

Sent from [Outlook](#)

Veldran, Lisa

From: kellspell13 <kellspell13@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:06 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for F35s

I support bringing the F35s to Madison.

Thank you!!

Kellie Spellman
c: 608-338-8545

Sent from my phone; please excuse any typos.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Marty Timmins <mmtimm@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:07 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F 35s

I live off River Rd north of Madison. The F16s regularly fly over my house. I encounter their noise from time to time. I am a Korean War veteran and believe a little noise is a small price to pay to defend our liberty and freedom with the latest military equipment. And that's what the F35s will do. I definitely support their being based at Truax and oppose any Madison action to prevent that basing. A lot more than Madison is involved in this issue.

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jill Oelke <jilloelke@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:07 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Support

Good morning to our local Alderpersons.

I grew up on the North side of Madison, just 4.3 miles from Truax Field and 3 miles from the Airport. (We moved to our house in March of 1970)

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The noise has never bothered anyone in this house. And I love it when I have the chance to be passing the runway off of Hwy CV and the F-16s are taking off! I really like watching the training flights.

The addition of F-35s to our local air base would be welcomed by me. I cannot thank our military personnel enough for protecting and defending our country! The opportunity to be the home base for these new "creatures" is something I believe we should embrace whole-heartedly!

We cannot please everyone. But we CAN protect everyone!

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Linda Fleming <linda.fleming2633@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:07 AM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 Mission

Alders,

I support The F-35 mission. It is good for the city, county, and state.

Richard Fleming

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kevin Wagner <kvnwgnr@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:08 AM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: 115th

Hello,

Would like to state my opposition to the resolution opposing the F35 base at Truax. I am a near east side resident, (live near the spot where the Yahara river enters Monona). There is constant large jet traffic overhead but only occasionally F16 traffic. It appears that if residents are concerned about noise, we should look into changing all air traffic including large commercial and passenger jet traffic.

I believe the opposition to the new F35 base is due to an anti military stance versus noise issues. Let's all be honest. If you are against the new F35 base at Truax, then say that. Otherwise, let's do something about all the jet noise in the area.

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Thank you,

Kevin Wagner
[608-335-2831](tel:608-335-2831)

Veldran, Lisa

From: Shannon Phillips <sdunkel84@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:09 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: I Support the F 35

Full support for the F 35 jets coming to Madison, WI. The resolution opposing the F 35s needs all alderman to oppose it. It is an honor that the 115th unit was chosen to receive the F 35 jets! The benefits far outweigh the negatives and extend beyond the Madison area.

Support the F 35 and support the 115th!!

~Shannon Phillips

Veldran, Lisa

From: Amy Owen <amyowen@hushmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:10 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the resolution against F-35s

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Dear Madison Alders,

I have learned that the military is considering bringing F-35 jets to Truax, and I ask that you do all that you can to oppose this. I support the city council resolution outlining the reasons why these planes are deeply inappropriate for our city. This proposal has the potential to render my home and neighborhood unlivable. We cannot displace our residents and further disrupt learning in our schools. We cannot pursue plans that will disproportionately harm residents of color and low income residents in a city that already has too many barriers to ensure everyone thrives. Please do what you can to prevent the economic devastation that will occur for businesses in the affected area as well, many may need to close do to the noise disruptions.

Thank you,
Amy Owen
3129 Buena Vista Street
Madison, WI 53704

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Nick Berigan <nberigan@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:11 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

General Information

Name: Nick Berigan
Address: 5521 Marconi St
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53705
Phone: 608-446-4466
Work Phone:
Email: nberigan@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

It's only "the sound of freedom" if you believe that freedom comes from pork barrel politics. It's only the "sound of freedom" if you think that the best way to run an economy is to parcel out contracts for the purpose of keeping incumbents in their positions by giving them bragging rights to bringing home makework projects. It's only "the sound of freedom" if you think that the resulting hodge podge product which WILL crash on American soil sometime soon, place your bets couldn't pass standard Defense Department testing regimens but went ahead anyway because... "jobs" but actually, embarrassment. And it's the "sound of freedom" if you believe that the best way to build solidarity with supposed "allies" is to cram purchases down their throats in a competition that pits the world market against those products of our apparent enemies See Turkey.

It's only the "sound of freedom" if all these dynamics require you to ignore the needs of folks living close under the flight because it's just easier than demanding justification for these kinds of economic "drivers" against the backdrop of real human needs. And it certainly is NOT the sound of freedom as it requires us to continue making economic decisions in the same old tired way we've been doing it, the way that has brought us to the point where we decide to pay exorbitant ammounts for instruments of death rather than rebuilding an economy that addresses the real threats we are facing. We're just enabling more of the same. Voices you will soon hear are asking you to consider better ways.

It is at this local level rather than the national stage, where we can begin to send the message that those ways don't cut it anymore.

Thanks
Nick Berigan

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Darci Molitor <5150life@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:13 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: I oppose the F-35 basing at Truax Air Base, 53714

Hello,

My family, friends and neighbors strongly oppose the F-35 basing at Truax Air Base!
Please do not allow this to happen!

Darci Molitor
1213 Mendota St
Madison, WI 53714

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bryan <outerlimitsbab@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:12 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Horrible F-35s

Madison Alders,

Do NOT approve the F-35s! Don't do that to Madison! Worst idea of the century! Thank you.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Vicki Berenson <vicki.berenson@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:18 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Vote YES on resolution opposing F-35s at Truax
Attachments: Madison Friends Meeting Statement on F-35s.pdf

I ask you to support the original resolution 57364 with the language that the Madison Common Council does not support the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown.

The alders who authored the resolution have researched the issue thoroughly and have listened to their constituents, who will be most affected by the increase in noise and air traffic, which has been clearly documented.

I also oppose on moral grounds. The proliferation of the F-35 jets as part of the US strategic nuclear bomber force serves only to escalate the nuclear arms race, enrich arms manufacturers and make the world less safe by engendering fear and creating more enemies.

Although we have been told the jets at Truax would not be nuclear-capable, pilots here will be training to fly the F-35s. The Air Force is not required to inform us if they decide to have nuclear-capable jets or nuclear weapons here.

I have attached a statement approved by the Madison Friends Meeting (Quakers) opposing the F-35 jets. I hope you will summon the faith, courage and resolution to approve this resolution.

Thank you,

Vicki Berenson
vicki.berenson@gmail.com
608-279-5508

Minute opposing F-35 fighter jets at Truax Air National Guard base September 1, 2019
Madison Friends Meeting, 1704 Roberts Court, Madison, WI 53711 clerk@madisonfriends.org

We, the Madison Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) call on our elected officials and community leaders to oppose stationing F-35 fighter jets at Truax Air National Guard base in Madison, Wisconsin. As Quakers, we seek to remove the circumstances that foster war, based on our belief there is that of God in everyone. That belief has been shown to turn adversaries into friends, while to prepare for war creates a threat, making enemies of people who might otherwise be our allies.

The nuclear-capable F-35s have been designated a part of the US strategic nuclear bomber force. They can each carry 2 nuclear warheads up to 4 times more powerful than the bombs that destroyed Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which caused hundreds of thousands of deaths. We object to Wisconsin allowing Truax Air National Guard to house these jets and to train pilots to fly them. If the Truax F-35s are given a "nuclear mission", the Air National Guard will become complicit in the nuclear bombing of other nations, and Truax itself will become a military target.

We are also very concerned about the day to day impact of F35 flight operations on the residents of East Madison. According to the draft Air National Guard Environmental Impact Statement released in August 2019, the expansion of the Truax base to accommodate the F-35s will cause increased noise levels. State and local government will bear the cost of much of the relocation of families and soundproofing of homes. Low-income residents in surrounding neighborhoods will have their communities disrupted. Young children and vulnerable adults in homes and schools in the area will be subject to unacceptable noise levels. Residents in the periphery will have to cope with increased flights and noise, and the impact on property values.

There have already been serious threats to water quality in NE Madison due to PFAS contamination from Truax firefighting activities. We fear further contamination of Madison well water by Truax expansion and maintenance of F35's. Those living near Truax will also have to contend with the health effects of air pollution due to increased jet exhaust from F35 "backburner" or auxiliary engine use. Finally, the fossil fuel expended by each F35 flight will contribute significantly to climate change.

We applaud our elected officials who are working to increase diplomacy, and urge all to follow their lead. We are also grateful to members of the Wisconsin National Guard, who work to keep us safe. We honor them with our respect and compassion, but we do not support the use of violence as a means to this end. Our National Guard serves us by offering a range of domestic support services, including disaster relief regionally and nationally, firefighting and water assistance, and help with civilian aircraft issues. By redirecting tax money from the F-35 program, the Guard could supplement these and add other missions including cybersecurity and anti-terrorism work. Every dollar spent on healthcare, education and the environment creates up to 3 times as many jobs as the same amount spent on the military.

In the words of Albert Einstein: "You cannot simultaneously prevent and prepare for war. The very prevention of war requires more faith, courage and resolution than are needed to prepare for war." We urge our elected officials to summon the faith, courage and resolution to reject the F-35 aircraft being located at Truax Field. As members of the Religious Society of Friends, we also advocate for an end to the nuclear capable F-35 program and for US compliance with international treaties to eliminate nuclear weapons. Surely Madison can attract clean energy and other sustainable industry that will create jobs without threatening the health and safety of Madison residents. We wish to see Wisconsin as a force for peace in the nation and the world.



Veldran, Lisa

From: Rachel Wilberding <rachelwilberding@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:19 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please OPPOSE the F-35 basing in Madison

Dear Madison Alders:

I am writing to ask that you PASS the resolution OPPOSING the basing of the F-35 jets here in Madison. The noise impacts to the north and east sides of the city are NOT worth the 65 jobs that will be created. As you well know, the neighborhoods most affected would be some of Madison's most economic and racially diverse. One could reasonably assume that most properties on the north, east and far east sides of Madison would see increased noise levels that could detrimentally impact quality of life and property values in these areas.

Given our city's issues with economic and racial diversity as well as our dearth of affordable housing, the F-35s are NOT a good choice for Madison.

Please vote to OPPOSE bringing these planes to Madison.

Sincerely,
Rachel Wilberding
4814 Onyx Lane.

From: Michael Thompson <tomsonmg@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:21 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 planes and 115th fighter wing

I urge all Madison city council member to support the addition of F-35 planes to replace the F-16s at Truax Field. Please consider the "greater good" and do not adopt the narrow viewpoint of "not in my backyard".

First, this is part of a national military strategy to replace aircraft that are becoming non-competitive with potential adversaries in the world. Secondly, the economic impact of the 115th fighter wing is significant to Madison and Dane county. The future of this unit is questionable, without the F-35's.

Those people that must be relocated because of the noise level must and will be treated fairly and given assistance from the federal government. The eminent domain laws of the state of Wisconsin should be followed.

Thank you for your consideration

Mike Thompson

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jim Goronson <sonofgor@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:23 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: I oppose F-35s at Truax

Dear Madison Alders,

I have learned that the military is considering bringing F-35 jets to Truax, and I ask that you do all that you can to oppose this. I support the city council resolution outlining the reasons why these planes are deeply inappropriate for our city. We cannot displace our residents and further disrupt learning in our schools. We cannot pursue plans that will disproportionately harm residents of color and low income residents in a city that already has too many barriers to ensure everyone thrives. Please do what you can to prevent the economic devastation that will occur for businesses in the affected area as well, many may need to close do to the noise disruptions.

I live on the south side but know several people (and businesses) who could be drastically/needlessly affected by this all for the sake of this ultimate pork barrel defense boondoggle project that for some reason is supported by our representation in Congress.

Thank you,
Jim Goronson
1306 Gilson St.
Madison, WI 53715

Veldran, Lisa

From: Andrew Wagner <andwagner1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:24 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35s and 115th Fighter Wing

City Alders,

I completely oppose the resolution to stop the F-35 from coming to Madison. I fully support the conversion of the F16 program to the F35 program at the 115th Fighter Wing. I cannot believe you are drafting an opposition to this program. A new rejuvenated program will continue to bring a huge amount of income to the local community for years to come and continued support of the crews flying with noise abatement procedures will keep the noise to a minimum. These men and women protect our country and enjoy living in the Wisconsin area. I really hope you can see the positives outweigh the negatives with this new program and you can move forward and stop trying to prevent such an amazing piece of technology from coming to the Madison area.

Respectfully,

Andrew Wagner

Veldran, Lisa

From: Adam Baker <bakera57@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:25 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: OPPOSE THE RESOLUTION AND SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

To whom it may concern -

This email is to voice my opposition for your proposed resolution to not support Truax Field and the proposed F35 Mission.

Please do not let the vocal minority override the clearly overwhelming support for the proposed F35 bed down at Truax. The Base's positive impact to Madison and the surrounding companies should not be thrown aside!

Adam Baker

From: Jill Oelke <jilloelke@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:25 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Re: F-35 Support

PS - my address is 4901 Comanche Way (4 doors down from Blackhawk Middle School)

On Mon, Sep 16, 2019 at 10:07 AM Jill Oelke <jilloelke@gmail.com> wrote:
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Veldran, Lisa

From: Al Bagwell <awbagwel@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:27 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's at Truax

Please vote yes to bring the F-35's to Truax Field!!!!
[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dennis Skogen <dennis@skogenengineering.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:35 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution Opposing F-35s

Good morning:

I strongly oppose any resolution that opposes the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown.

Best regards,
Dennis Skogen

From: Aurelia Sanders <aureliasanders@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:36 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please OPPOSE F-35 jets

Dear Madison Alders:

I am writing to ask that you PASS the resolution OPPOSING the basing of the F-35 jets here in Madison. The noise impacts to the north and east sides of the city are NOT worth the 65 jobs that will be created. As you well know, the neighborhoods most affected would be some of Madison's most economic and racially diverse. One could reasonably assume that most properties on the north, east and far east sides of Madison would see increased noise levels that could detrimentally impact quality of life and property values in these areas.

Given our city's issues with economic and racial diversity as well as our dearth of affordable housing, the F-35s are NOT a good choice for Madison.

Please vote to OPPOSE bringing these planes to Madison.

Sincerely,
Aurelia Sanders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Judy Siegert <jsiegert08@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:36 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

I firmly support the 115th fighter wing to bring the F-35's to Madison. Please vote to make this happen.

Thank you,
Judy Siegert
Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jerry Julson <jerryjulson@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:37 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Fighter Base

Please support the F-35 Fighter Base and the 115th Fighter Wing currently located at Truax Field. It is so nice to hear those jets and know that they are ours.

Thank you,

Gerald Julson
Madison 53718

Veldran, Lisa

From: bjohnson257@charter.net
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:37 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 basing at Truax Field

Good morning,

I was not able to attend the community meeting at the community meeting regarding the basing of F-35's at Truax Field held last week. I want to let you know I fully support the basing of F-35's at Truax.

Billie L. Johnson
2313 Ravenswood Rd
Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Whitney Justin <2bluesheep@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:39 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s at Truax Field

Hello,

I would like to write in support of the resolution opposing the F-35 Fighter Jets being housed at Truax Field. I am worried about the environmental impact, noise pollution, and my home value as I am so close to the airport. As it is, current air traffic contributes enough noise that I need to pause conversation in my own backyard until the plane has passed. The F-35s are more powerful, and the noise would be unbearable. We have been told that there is no money allocated for environmental clean-up due to waste. Lastly, with the increased amount of noise, I may be unable to sell my home when the time comes, as no one would knowingly move into a neighborhood with that amount of noise.

This is a densely populated metropolitan area. F-35s belong elsewhere.

Thank you,
Whitney Justin
2629 E Dayton St, Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Monica Geurts Hall <monashall@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:41 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Opposing the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing

To Whom It May Concern,

I ABSOLUTELY DO NOT SUPPORT THE RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE F-35 BASING IN MADISON!

It is really disheartening that a few locally elected officials would decide to ban and not support Wisconsin's 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission in Wisconsin. I was born and raised in Wisconsin and work in Madison and find that there is little consideration given to the ramifications of not supporting our volunteer armed forces and what it takes to keep our Country free. Freedom is not free and if we continue to destroy what has kept our country united and free for well over 200 years we will soon look like Venezuela. Those who hold office need to hear the voices of the many and not their own political point of view. To stay united and free in our State there will be choices that you will have to make that you will not like. The decisions you make today affects us all and you need to remember to do what is right for our State and our Country and to leave your own personal views out it.

Sincerely,

Monica

Veldran, Lisa

From: Brian Carroll <bkcarroll2566@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:42 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Truax

Good morning, I would sincerely like to request that you support basing the F-35 at Truax Field. It is my belief that the Air Guard is a vital member of our community, and a great asset to have. We cannot afford to lose the money the personnel employed there spend locally. Thank you, and have a great day.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Mike Swanson <mike@atlantisvalley.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:45 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Beddown at Truax Air Force Base, Madison, WI

To: All City of Madison Alderman

I am writing in support of the F-35 program for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. I participated in the public forum on the F-35 program last Thursday. That forum was substantial evidence of the support for bringing the F-35 to Madison. As a matter of fact there were many residents living near the airport who registered and spoke in support. I am a lifelong resident of the east side of Madison and the sound of any of the aircraft either Air Force or airline has never been an issue. As a matter of fact I am proud of the fact the Air Force has chosen to station these aircraft in Madison and I am in full support of their mission. In addition the economic impact by having the 115th Fighter Wing in Madison is substantial in terms of employment and spending and would be a terrible negative impact to our community without the 115th Fighter Wing.

I am aware there is a resolution to come before the Madison Common Council this week. **By this writing I am registering my opposition to this resolution!** Some significant points have been conspicuously forgotten in this resolution; WHEREAS Truax has been the home of jet fighter aircraft since the 1950s and the growth and development of residential, commerce and schools around the airport has been substantial, WHEREAS residents who spoke and submitted comments at the Alliant Center Forum, Sept. 12, were overwhelmingly in support of the siting of the F-35s in Madison, WHEREAS the economic impact on our city, county and state, in terms of jobs, spending and overall economy is tremendously positive!

Sincerely;

Mike Swanson

3321 Mound View Rd.

Verona, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jerri Robinson <jerrirobinson@frontiernet.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:46 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Truax Field resolution

Please support keeping the Truax Field as the location for the 5th Operation Beddown & support the 115th Fighter Wing & F35 mission.??

Opposing their staying, hurts our military.

Sincerely,

Jerri Robinson

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bob/Barb Arnold <2barnolds@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:48 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support the 115th Fighter Wing and F35 selection.

I am emailing you today to let you know that I oppose the Resolution which opposes the F-35 basing in Madison, WI. I am in full support of the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Barbara Arnold

From: Erik Jaeke <erik.jaeke@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:49 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 Mission Support

Madison Alders,

Let it be known that I support the F-35 Mission, and oppose any resolution which opposes the mission. This is a great benefit for the city of Madison and its residents, with noise concerns not dissimilar to the currently existing conditions. The benefits far outweigh the costs, so please consider these as you discuss any resolution.

Thank you,
Erik Jaeke
608-279-3503

From: Heather Green <hagreen2002@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:50 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Truax F-35 opposition

Dear Alder-people,

Please support the Common Council Resolution Opposing the F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field.

Our family finds the present noise from Truax air-flights difficult during fly overs. Increasing the fly-overs with even louder craft is reason for concern, on many levels.

Madison residents are actively working to improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods and encourage more people to live in the city. Madison and Dane County currently lead Wisconsin in population growth. Rather than encouraging people to live where they work and play, the F-35A squadron will make the city a less desirable place to live and promote urban sprawl, unsustainable lifestyles and global warming.

Please support Madison residents and approve the resolution opposing the use of Truax Field for the proposed F-35A fighter jets.

Thank you,

Heather Allison Green

2441 Upham St
Madison, WI 53704

From: Keith Kobs <keithkobs@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:51 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35s

General Information

Name: Keith Kobs
Address: 2042 helena st.
City: Madison
State: Wi
ZIP: 53704-5520
Phone: 608-242-5578
Work Phone: 6082425578
Email: keithkobs@aol.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

It's not about patriotism it's not about the jobs. if you lived underneath the area where these planes fly over daily you would understand it's about the noise and disruption to otherwise peaceful neighborhoods. Daily commercial planes fly overhead, at ALL times of day, I except that and appreciate that they are relatively quiet other than when taking off. But, the military jets are ALWAYS louder, and fly much faster coming and going than the commercial planes. If you want this to remain a pleasant and progressive community, one that by the way, is becoming one of the more expensive places in the state to live, VOTE AGAINST the plan to add F35s to Truax. Thank you

Recipient:
All Alders

From: Judi Blodgett <jablodgett1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:53 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support the f-35 base and live on the air line approach path on east side.

Urgent attention needed: Several Madison Alders have authored a resolution opposing the F-35 basing. That resolution will be voted on this Tuesday at the Council Meeting. Our ask is to immediately send a short email to All the Madison Alders via the allalders@cityofmadison.com email address;
(1) Opposing the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and (2) reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. Please consider cc'ing or bcc'ing the badgerair@gmail.com on your emails, we would like to be able to keep track of the volume of contacts. Thank you for your continued support!



BADGER AIR
COMMUNITY COUNCIL



Madison City Council is Considering a Resolution to Oppose the F-35 Basing

Please contact Madison Alders at
allalders@cityofmadison.com
and tell them to oppose this resolution and
share your support for the 115th Fighter Wing
and the F-35 mission

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Darrin Arnold <dcarnold8@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:53 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for F-35s

Hello,

I am writing to voice my support for Truax Field as a future home for the F-35 as part of the 115th Fighter Wing. I am opposed to any resolution that would not allow this.

Thanks,
Darrin Arnold

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sarah Klasen <seklasen@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:54 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support of F-35 Mission

Good Morning,

The intent of this email is to express my support to the F-35 Mission and support our Air Force and the 115th Fighter Wing. Noise is not an issue for me and I feel that the positives far outweigh negatives. Please consider supporting this!

Thank you,
Sarah Othmer

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Glori Sabin <kdietzman@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:54 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Basing

This is to notify all of the Alders for the City of Madison that we strongly OPPOSE the RESOLUTION that opposes the F-35 basing that we were informed that you are to be discussing. Our family has been life long east side residents including years in the subject flight pattern. As such, we are TOTALLY committed in support of the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission at Truax Field. We urge and expect you to accept the F-35 mission as your constituents have displayed in their attendance, notification and support of this mission. Thank you.

Mrs. Glori D Sabin and Mr. Kim Dietzman
10 Jubilee Circle
Madison, Wi 53718

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: SC <sclark53715@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:57 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35 issue

I am disappointed that some alders are considering a resolution against basing F35 jets at Truax. The issue of noise is greatly overblown. More than 50% of airport noise complaints have come from one home and only 8% of the complaints have been over military jet noise. That means that the vast majority of complaints are against commercial aircraft. That makes a lot of sense since commercial aircraft noise is consistent, beginning early in the morning and ending late in the evening. In contrast, military jet activity is limited to two narrow windows of less than 30 minutes each day. Furthermore, the F35's improved performance means that, unlike the current F16s, they do not need to use the noisy afterburners during take off.

The noise complaint is way overblown and ignores the source of the real complaint, that is commercial air activity. Do not make a bad decision on basing the F35s in Madison based on overblown and distracting complaints.

Steve Clark
Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: longdrm@charter.net
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:58 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: City County Resolution to Oppose F35s

I do not support the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown.

Mary Anne Long

From: Nancy Ferguson <theferghouse@googlemail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:58 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: In support of F-35 basing

All Alders-

I would like to state my opposition to the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing in Madison.

I support the 115th Fighter Wing and would like to see the F-35 based in Madison.

My family is a two generation military family. My husband served 26 years in the Army as an aviator and my daughter is now serving in the Air Force and is currently in flight training. It is very important that the F-35 be brought to Madison as it is a strategic location. There are many other bases that would like the opportunity to support the F-35 but to not have the necessary runway to do so. Madison should be honored that they have been short listed for this. The sound footprint would only increase marginally, a small price to pay to support our military, freedom and way of life.

Again- I support bringing the F-35 to Madison.

Nancy Ferguson

Veldran, Lisa

From: Valerie Jashinsky <valjashinsky@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:01 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support the F-15 mission F-35 Basing

(1) Opposing the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and (2) reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. Thank you Valerie Jashinsky.

9203447618

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Robert Beck <Robert.Beck@tekni-plex.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:01 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Hello,

To whom it may concern. I would like to urge you to support the F-35 basing in Madison, WI. I am all for having them in our skies around Madison. I support all of our military men, and women
And what they do to protect us.

Thanks you,

Bob Beck
Maintenance Coordinator
608-243-7226 Direct line
608-416-3425 Cell
Robert.Beck@tekni-plex.com
4101 Lien Road
Madison, WI 53704



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Veldran, Lisa

From: Paul Mergen <drmergen@madisonchironorth.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:02 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support for F35s

Good Morning Madison Alders,

I am emailing to express my support of the 115th Fighter Wing and the F35s coming to Madison. As a business owner on Madison's Northside and resident at 931 Spaight Street in the Wil-Mar Neighborhood, I see these planes coming to Truax Field a major asset to this city. 65 new jobs, means 65 new families moving in, 65 more families supporting Madison business. Also the continued funding and support of the airport fire department the US Air Force is a big deal as they were even able to help with the recent MG&E fire with tools that the other Madison Fire Departments did not have. We need to keep jobs coming into Madison rather than push them away, especially on the Northside as Oscar Mayer is still sitting mostly vacant.

I oppose any resolution that opposes the F35 basing here.
Please Support the F35s.

Thank you,

Paul Mergen, DC

Madison Chiropractic - North
2205 North Sherman Ave.
Madison, WI 53704
Phone: 608-244-0044
Fax: 608-244-2773

Veldran, Lisa

From: Scott Heller <mbsheller@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:03 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposition to the Resolution

I am opposing the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and reinforcing their support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. It would be a shame to lose this opportunity for Madison Wisconsin. I am a resident of Fitchburg Wisconsin. I think it is imperative we keep the F-35 mission a consideration for Madison.

Scott Heller

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bill Buchholz <billmbuchholz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:03 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution concerning the the F-35's.

Please be advised that I oppose the proposed resolution opposing the basing of F-35's at Truax.

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Karen Greenler <kgreenler@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:04 AM
To: All Alders

Please vote against bringing the F-35s to Truax field. They are an economic boondoggle, they are terribly noisy for those on the flight path, and they are immoral. There are many more effective ways to diversify our city's economy. It's been shown that military operations have one of the lowest economic paybacks. No F-35s please!

Karen Greenler
3638 Tulane Ave
Madison WI 53714

From: Robert Liedl <rsliedl@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:07 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: File 57364 - Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown

I am writing you to state my **opposition to the resolution** against the F-35A fighters being staged in Madison. My son graduated from the Air Force Academy, served in the Air Force and is now in the air national guard and I struggle with the continued anti military sentiment in this country.

Without bases and military presence nearby people feel divorced from the sacrifice and commitment of our service members.

Please support the 115th Fighter Wing, the F-35 mission and our community. As the Madison Common Council, please support the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown.

Thank you for your time,

[Robert S. Liedl](#)

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dennis Springer <dms6106@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:09 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

To all,
I want to let all know that I completely support the 115th Fighter Wing & the F-35 mission.
I'm asking that you oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.
Thank you,
Dennis Springer

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kristin WM <kristinwebstermccormick@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:10 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support of F35's in Madison

Good Afternoon,

I'm reaching out today to reinforce my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. This is a wonderful opportunity for our area and will offer growth to our community, KMSN airport, and support to our local businesses.

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All The Best,

Kristin McCormick

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kelly Lawler <kelbel2440@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:11 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35s

Just wanted to send a quick email to let you know I support the F35s coming to Madison!

Thanks,
Kelly Lawler

From: David Younk <dyounk@genbev.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:11 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 basing

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing this in support of the Wisconsin Air National Guard getting the F-35 based at Truax Field. As a Dane county resident and taxpayer and long time Madison area resident, I find the opposition by some of you to the plan to replace an aging F-16 with the new F-35 very short sided. The base at Truax provides a huge yearly boost to the local tax base, one that we can ill afford to lose in this present economy. Their impact touches all aspects of our local economy from property taxes to sales taxes. By opposing this project you are asking the rest of us to essentially contribute more taxes to make up the difference as we all know you won't trim the budget to account for the loss. This will hurt both big and local businesses as well as private residents.

While I'm sure you feel you are acting on behalf of your constituents, it's a very small amount in comparison to the majority that want to keep this base and its employees viable for many more years to come. The airport, and the base specifically, have been there for a lot longer than any of the housing in that area. I used to live on the east side not far from that area and the noise associated with aircraft in general, and the military jets specifically, was not impactful to our quality of life or the ability to sell our house when we did. The impact of losing the base and its employees would be far greater than the impact to the residents who live there.

Please reconsider your opposition to this plan. I guarantee you will lose many more voters when you are up for re-election than you will gain from this misguided decision.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

David A. Younk
Sent from my iPad

From: Sandy Bennett <bennettsand@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:16 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution "Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement...of F-35s"

I am a frequent visitor to my brother's home in the Whitetail Ridge sub-division off Packers Avenue. From what I understand, Whitetail Ridge is not included in the area designated as being impacted at the decibel level of the F-35s. And yet, even now, when the F-16s go over his house the noise is deafening. Furthermore, it's not just that one plane goes over once a day, it can be four planes one after another, twice a day. When my elderly mother was alive and living with my brother, the sound of the F-16s was really upsetting to her. I hate to think what the F-35s will be like. And, please don't forget that F-35s have crashed on more than one recent occasion.

I urge you to oppose bringing the F-35s to Madison. They have no place so close to our homes.

Thank you,
Sandy Bennett
4210 Brown Ln
Madison, WI 53704

From: Doug Arnold <dwarnold108@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:17 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: 115th Fighter Wing and F35 Selection

To whom it concerns,
I would like to reach out and express my support to you for the 115th Fighter Wing and the selection of Truax as one of the new locations for the state of the art F35 program. Bringing this to Madison would bring state of the art technology to the area as well as bring safety and security to the region. The F16 jets from this base have provided security all over the Midwest for years, and with your help the F35 fighter jets will continue to do so. A vote against the 115th Fighter Wing is a vote against the safety, security and stability of the region.

Thank you,
Doug Arnold

From: Terrie and Gary <trglkurtz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:17 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: KEEPING THE F35 mission in Madison

My wife and I both OPPOSE the resolution to oppose the F35 basing in Madison.

We reinforce by saying we support 100 percent the 115th Fighter Wing and the F35 mission in Madison.

It would be a GREAT Loss to the Madison area's financial outlook with out the new mission and it would be a greater loss to the security of our nation to not have the F35's positioned in this location for the protection of the Midwest.

From: Satiya Buell <satiyabuell@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:19 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Re: Basing F-35s at Truax

Just a quick note:

I forgot to include my address: 534 Maywood Street, Madison, Wisconsin

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 14, 2019, at 5:01 PM, Satiya Buell <satiyabuell@yahoo.com> wrote:

Hello, my name is Satiya Buell and I am writing to you in support of Madison City Council resolution #57364 which opposes basing the F-35s at Truax. I am a retired MMSD elementary school teacher who currently works with preschoolers with Autism. I feel I must speak up for the children since they will not be contacting you themselves.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jim Gehrman <jjgehrmann@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:20 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: I Oppose any resolution opposing the F-35 in Madison

Dear Sirs:
I oppose any resolution by the Alders of Madison opposing the F-35 assignment at Madison. I further reaffirm my strong support for the F-35 being assigned to the 115th FW.

Jim Gehrman
President

James Gehrman Homes, Inc.
6713 Gaylord Nelson Rd
Middleton, WI 53562
608-234-1736
jjgehrmann@charter.net



Veldran, Lisa

From: Stephen Lyrene <salyrene@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:19 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s at Truax

Sent from my iPhone

I oppose stationing F-35s at Truax on moral grounds as I oppose this preparation for war at huge expense and I oppose the noise pollution, and the huge carbon footprint of these machines.

From: Ellen Turgasen <eturgasen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:21 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

General Information

Name: Ellen Turgasen
Address: 1110 N Sherman Ave #304
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53704
Phone: 608-255-9355
Work Phone:
Email: eturgasen@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

F35's

I oppose the proposed Truax location of the F35 fighter aircraft.

I attended the US Air Force public meeting regarding the F-35 operations.

The reasons and goals for the F-35 stated by the Air Force spokesman include "increased lethality". Are not the F-16's currently in the Air Force arsenal not sufficiently 'lethal'? The increased lethality of these weapons carriers include the volatile compounds and carbon emissions of each F-35 that holds and burns 18,250 lb of toxic fuels. This increase in lethality included the public expense of 100 million each at the expense of social programs and public good. The increased noise levels will have detrimental effects on the human nervous system of everyone in the path of flight. These increases in lethality have already begun to affect our community, creating conflicts between community members, neighbors and friends.

Government foreign policies reliant on weaponry and coercive force as the sole means of dealing with conflicts are indeed lethal for all of our society.

"Increased lethality" has all of us in the cross-hairs. Military power and weapons of mass destruction do not solve the social problems that generate wars. Only diplomacy and mediation can ensure peace and security for all.

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jeremy Morris <jeremymorris74@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:22 AM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35's = YES

We support this in Windsor, WI!!!! UNANIMOUS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Jeremy Morris
Windsor, WI resident
GM, Salvatore's Tomato Pies

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jack Kear <jackkear@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:22 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: oppose F-35A beddown

City Leaders:

Please add my name to the many Madisonians opposed to the beddown of F35A fighter jets at Truax Field.

Plain and simple, this will destroy the quality of life for too many in this City especially children and the poor.

We are a better city without the jets.

Thank You,

Jack Kear

Veldran, Lisa

From: Todd Volkman <toddvolkman@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:23 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

Alders,

I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing at Truax Field and I proudly support the 115th Fighter Wing and F-35 mission.

Thank you

Todd Volkman

Sent from my iPhone

From: Mark Acker <ackermd65@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:23 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for the 115th Fighter Wing

The proven economic impact of the air guard on the city of Madison and Dane county is something that seems to be ignored by the vocal minority that is against the 115th Fighter wing. If your resolution to vote against the air force decision goes through and Madison and Dane county lose the air guard, how will you replace the economic impact, tax dollars collected from the air guard spending locally plus those 1,200 plus employees spending their payroll dollars locally in most cases local small businesses. You must consider that you will have bigger issues with less tax dollars collected than the minimal environmental impact that of the F-35 being housed at Truax.

Respectfully,
Dane county taxpayers and small business owners

Mark Acker

Veldran, Lisa


From: Sue Gilbertson <suegilbertsonrealtor@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:24 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposing the Resolution


I oppose the resolution to stop the F35 Basing.
I support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F35 mission.
Sue Gilbertson


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Realtor

 608-576-4488

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 www.homesinmadison.net

RETAINO & ASSOCIATES

From: Terrie and Gary <trglkurtz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:29 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Re: KEEPING THE F35 mission in Madison

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It would be a GREAT Loss to the Madison area's financial outlook with out the new mission and it would be a greater loss to the security of our nation to not have the F35's positioned in this location for the protection of the Midwest.

Gary and Terrie Kurtz

From: Jess Pernsteiner <jess.pernsteiner@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:32 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council Resolution Opposing F-35 Fighter Jets

Dear City of Madison Common Council:

I am writing to voice my strong support for the Common Council resolution opposing the F-35 fighter jets in Madison.

I attended the F-35 hearing on Thursday evening, and am strongly against the presence of F-35 jets in Madison. I have significant concerns regarding the EIS, and the impact of F-35 jets in my community, particularly, as noted on page 26 of the Executive Summary: "There would be significant disproportionate impacts to low-income and minority populations as well as children. The increase in noise exposure to the south of the airport would disproportionately impact low-income areas and the increase in noise exposure to the east of the airport would disproportionately impact a low-income minority population."

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Jess Pernsteiner

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tracy Aiello <tfaiello@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:33 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: RE: Truax as a Preferred Location for the F-35

Dear Madison Alders,

I am writing you in order to register my support for the F-35 coming to the 115th Fighter Wing and respectfully request that you withhold your support from the resolution that will be debated before the Madison City Council on Tuesday, September 17th. That resolution concludes with a statement that the Madison Common Council does not support the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown, i.e. the F-35.

Given the eventual phase out of the F-16 fighter it is imperative that the Wing receive the F-35 in order to remain in existence. Once the F-16 is retired then the Wing will be a Fighter Wing without an airframe or mission, therefore making the Wing a prime candidate for closure during the next Base Realignment and Closure process.

For decades the Wing has had a positive impact on both the City of Madison and the County of Dane. The Wing, with its full time and drill status guard members, injects tens of millions of dollars a year into the economies of both the City of Madison and the County of Dane. The Wing also covers the firefighting services for the Dane County Regional Airport. If the Wing were to close, then the Dane County taxpayers would have to bear the cost of this all important safety and lifesaving service, a cost which totals over one million dollars per year. Finally, the Wing is also there to serve the citizens of the entire state, as proven by the members who volunteered during the 2018 flooding in the northern parts of Wisconsin.

I am confident that whatever concerns have been raised in the EIS report, especially those related to the decibel level of the F-35 and expanded noise contours, can and will be abated to the greatest extent possible by the Wing. It is my understanding that the EIS contains "worst case scenarios" as well as scenarios which are likely never to come to fruition, e.g. doubling the amount of sorties and flying hours by having six to eight F-16s and six to eight F-35s flying combat training missions either at the same time or during the same four day period of the week. Many Wing members live in and around Madison, and they care just as much about the quality of life in Madison as non-Wing members.

I am a resident of the City of Madison, and (full disclosure) as a Senior Master Sergeant with over 19 years in the Wisconsin Air National Guard I am also currently a member of the 115th Fighter Wing. Thank you for taking the time to listen to me, and for registering both my support and my request.

Respectfully,

Tracy Aiello

3133 Thorp St., Madison, WI

From: Steven Klafka <sklafka@wingraengineering.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:34 AM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Please support the Madison Common Council on Resolution Opposing F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field.

On behalf of Madison residents, please support the resolution entitled, Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown. It is sponsored by Alders Grant Foster, Rebecca Kemble, Marsha A. Rummel, Patrick W. Heck, Tag Evers and Syed Abbas.

Worse Location - I am a long-time city resident, professional environmental engineer for 40 years and city business owner for 30 years. Having read the draft Environmental Impact Statement prepared by the Air Force, it is clear that Madison is the worst site for these new jets. It will have the greatest environmental impacts among the five sites being evaluated. For example, while Madison will have nearly 3,000 people exposed to noise above the 65 dB DNL noise level, the proposed site in Florida will have no people exposed to this noise level. What kind of logic selects the location where the most people will be hurt?

Environmental Racism - The EIS concludes that Truax Field and the county airport are surrounded by poverty and families of color who will receive the greatest impacts. It was only last year that Madison created an Economic Opportunity Zone due to this poverty. The few jobs created by these new jets will likely be filled by white folks from Dane County suburbs while the poverty surrounding Truax Field will worsen. We should not support a project that promotes environmental racism.

Children - The EIS concludes that children will be especially hurt if the jets are stationed here. That is an understatement. The EIS relies on a 65-decibel noise standard to assess noise impacts. This standard was first adopted by the FAA in 1964. It is over 50 years and doesn't reflect current studies on the effects of noise on children. The World Health Organization reports that: 1) 50 % of children exposed to 65 decibels will develop noise induced cognitive impairment, 2) over 20 studies have shown negative effects of noise on reading and memory in children, and 3) noise exposure during critical periods of learning at school could potentially impair development and have a lifelong effect on educational attainment. Our school board wants to close the achievement gap between white and minority students. This project will only expand that gap. We should not support a project where children are the primary target.

Mitigation Cost - Unlike the other four sites, there are nearly 60,000 people living within 3 miles of Truax Field. Having lived on the airport flight path for 25 years, I know from first-hand experience that the noise standards used to evaluate the proposed jets are inadequate. While in modern times, we expect that the polluter pays, the Air Force and Air National Guard will provide no funds for noise abatement. They say we'll need to rely on the county airport to provide noise mitigation. The county airport has shown it is no friend to Madison residents. While it has unlimited funds for expansion and improvements, the airport has provided no noise mitigation to city residents, including the 551 people the EIS shows are currently living within the 65-decibel noise level. The Minneapolis Airport provides up to \$20,000 per home for noise mitigation and the Louisville Airport has relocated over 2,000 families. Will the city pay to purchase the 1,318 homes impacted by these new jets, or do we plan to expand poverty and the Economic Opportunity Zone?

Truax Doesn't Need these Jets – The Air National Guard has made it clear that if Truax Field is not selected for the F-35A fighter jets, the base is in no danger of closing. The base has a strategic location and there are many options which do not require these specific jets.

Madison residents are actively working to improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods and encourage more people to live in the city. Madison and Dane County currently lead Wisconsin in population growth. Rather than encouraging people to live where they work and play, the F-35A squadron proposed for Truax Field will make the city a less desirable place to live. It will promote urban sprawl, unsustainable lifestyles and global warming. The addition of F-35A jets to Truax Field would have a devastating effect on Madison residents, especially low-income and minority children.

Please send a clear message to the Air Force that you oppose this project. Please support Alder Foster's proposed resolution.

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Bob Queen <madmax406@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:33 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s at Truax

Alders,
We support the resolution opposing the F35s at Truax. These military aircraft should be deployed to uninhabited areas not thriving urban centers. This is unprecedented and a threat to our safety and quality of life.

Respectfully,

Bob Queen, Nancy Kathman, Max Queen, Alex Queen, Lucinda Queen and Owen Queen

Veldran, Lisa

From: Greg Scalzo <gscalzo@goodkarmabrands.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:34 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 in Madison

I am a supporter of the 115th Fighter Wing getting the F-35 and oppose the Madison Common Council Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing!

Greg Scalzo

Greg Scalzo | Marketing Consultant/ Host
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Veldran, Lisa

From: Travis S. Van Zile <tsvanzile@kollegetown.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:35 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 in Madison

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Travis Van Zile

Travis Van Zile
tsvanzile@kollegetown.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jeff D. Handlen <jdhandlen@kollegetown.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:37 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 in Madison

I am a supporter of the 115th Fighter Wing getting the F-35 and oppose the Madison Common Council Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing!

Thanks,

Jeff Handlen
Vice President
Kollege Town Sports
608-556-6246

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sita Diehl <sitadiehl@bellsouth.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:38 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose the F-35A at Truax

General Information

Name: Sita Diehl
Address: 5729 Elder Place
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53705
Phone:
Work Phone:
Email: sitadiehl@bellsouth.net
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Please support the ORIGINAL resolution 57364 opposing F-35A fighter jets at Truax in Madison. The EIS notes that benefits to employment and income are negligible while Operation Beddown poses significant hazards and risks to quality of life for residents in surrounding areas, including many who do not have financial means to relocate. As a Quaker, I seek to remove the circumstances that foster war, based on Friends' belief there is that of God in everyone. That belief has been shown to turn adversaries into friends, while to prepare for war creates a threat, making enemies of people who might otherwise be our allies.

Beyond squandering our federal tax dollars on something I strongly oppose regardless of where it is located, allowing the F-35A in Madison makes no sense given everything you as the Council, and we as citizens, are doing to make our community one of the most livable in the nation.

Recipient:
All Alders

From: Alex Aulisi <aaulisi1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:40 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s Opposition

Dear City of Madison Alders,

Please make note that I support the City Council resolution lead by Foster/Kemble opposing the F-35s.

As a resident of Schenk-Atwood-Starkweather-Yahara, I can attest to the fact that the existing F-16s already deliver a disturbing decibel level to my neighborhood, which is solidly outside of the range of the closest, affected neighborhoods.

It is incredibly short-sighted to favor a handful of jobs and some perceived status for the displacement of hundreds of Madison residents and the erosion of property values. It's time to step up and support the PEOPLE of this city and not capitalism. We have enough of that already - just look at the gentrification of the east Isthmus.

Thank you.

Alexandra Aulisi
2134 Rusk Street, 53704

From: Terry Cohn <terrycohn@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:40 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the Resolution to Oppose F-35s in Madison, WI

Dear Alders,

I want to thank the 6 alders for listening to citizens at Sherman School, for studying the Environmental Impact Statement and the city's analysis for housing the F-35s here. There is much misleading information in the Air National Guard's environmental impact statement and a lot of numbers, costs, and data missing. We can not accept this type of incomplete work.

For all the statements enumerated in the resolution, I urge you to support this resolution to oppose having the F-35s here.

I listened to those in favor of having the planes and realized that most serve, served or have family members that currently serve in the Air National Guard.

But things change, just as everything does. The recognition and acknowledgement of increased environmental and social justice impacts, the appropriateness, and the necessity for these planes now comes into question.

In the weighing of the pros and cons of continuing to have military planes within a city, I can't come up with enough positives to tip the balance of the scale to outweigh the negatives. The increased noise, the environmental hazards of PFAs, the cost to examine for contaminants and then remediate, a possible accident over a city, whether these planes will or will not carry weapons if called upon at a time of threat, and the questionable cost of the entire F-35 project. Do 64 or 65 jobs outweigh these negatives? Can one really claim to feel safer in this age of terrorist warfare which will probably not be fought in the skies?

I want to hear the justification for having these planes within a metropolitan city, not the allegiance to what has been here in the past. It is not a matter of being proud, of telling others to move, or to claim this is a "not in my neighborhood issue", or to possibly turn off voters in future elections, it is about forward thinking. It is about caring for our fellow Madisonians and our planet.

Thank you,
Terry Cohn
2135 Linden Ave
Madison, 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Ian Gort.<iangort@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:40 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: I've shared my opinion with my Alder

And I'd like to share it with the entire city council.

Alder Kimble -

I'm writing to you to add my voice to the F-35 debate.

I oppose the F-35 program's very existence. It's an expensive boondoggle. It has no place in the country. Period.

I'm happy to expound upon that, but I'm sure you have better things to do.

Best,

Ian Gort
3430 Marcy Rd, Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Chris Schuller <cmschuller84@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:42 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: Chris Schuller
Subject: F-35 support

"Dear Madison Alders,

I support the arrival of the F-35 at Truax Field in Madison."

Respectfully,

Chris Schuller
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: heather g <hbunny411@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:43 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: In Support of the F35s

I support the F35s and our men in uniform. This helps keep their jobs here in Madison. They shouldn't have to return from their current tour of duty in the Middle East to find that the citizens of Madison have removed their future job security. Let's show them how important they are to our city, and state!

Respectfully,
Heather Greenley

Veldran, Lisa

From: Matt's Charter <mmccunn@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:44 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support for F35

I would like to state my whole hearted opposition to your proposed anti F35 resolution. As a long time resident of the Madison area I support the military, it's global mission and its personnel who are our friends and neighbors.

Matt McCunn

Sent from my iPhone

From: Carly Philpot <cphilpot@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:45 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for bringing the F-35 to Madison

Good Morning,

I just want to send an email to voice my support for bringing the F-35 to Madison. I grew up in Madison and am now a student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. There are so many things I love about being part of this community, and working as an Airman at Truax Field is one of them.

When applying for college, the Wisconsin Idea was something that drove me to choose a University of Wisconsin university over other universities - the idea that my education should be used to better my community. I have tried to embody this through contributing to research as an undergraduate assistant, volunteering with numerous charities in Madison including Porchlight homeless shelter and the River Food Pantry, and enlisting in the WI Air National Guard. Upon graduating high school, I enlisted in the WI Air National Guard because I wanted the opportunity to serve my community via the unique dual mission of the National Guard both domestically and abroad. As an Airman in the WI Air National Guard, I have been inspired by my coworkers' contribution in our community not only as Airmen but in their civilian careers as well - as social workers, nurses, police officers, transplant researchers and firefighters to name a few. Truax Field has a long history of involvement in and support for our community, and bringing the F-35 to Truax would allow us to continue this mission for decades to come in addition to serving in our community in our civilian careers as well.

Thank you for your service to our community and for allowing our voices of support to be taken into consideration. I'm proud to be part of this community and hope that you will choose to support bringing the F-35 to Madison.

Respectfully,

Carly Philpot

From: randlbasting@charter.net
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:46 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 controversy

As resident of Madison for 45 years we have lived on Madison's East and North side and have always been subjected to airport noise both commercial and military. In spite of this we totally support the bringing of the F-35's to the Truax airbase. The F-16 currently fly directly over our home and their flight is so fast that the noise is not as bad as the loud and long humming from commercial jets at the Madison airport or the med-flight helicopters that also pass over our home. Madison should be proud that our base has been considered for this upgrade.

Sincerely Richard and Linda Basting

From: Carol McMahon <cblue02@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:49 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Resolution of F-35 Basing in Madison

Alders/To whom it may concern;

Please be advised that I DO NOT AGREE with the Resolution opposing the F-35 basing operations in Madison. I wish to reinforce my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. It should be with great honor that we continue to support the base of operations and the men and women who serve.

Carol McMahon
W11322 Red Cedar Dr.
Lodi, WI 53555

From: JS Roberts <roberts607jamie@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:52 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support F-35 Upgrade, 115th Fighter Wing in Madison

Dear Alders of Madison,

I am writing in **support of the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Upgrade Mission at Truax** and wholeheartedly without reservation oppose the resolution recently co-authored by Grant Foster, Rebecca Kemble, Marsha A. Rummel, Patrick W. Heck, Tag Evers, Syed Abbas. Their endeavors are short sighted and show a lack of faith in the Madison community to grow and accommodate the vital improvements needed to secure the viability of the 115th.

I attended the entire public comments session on Thursday, September 12, 2019 and listened to comments from everyone. The benefits were well-defined and clearly outweigh the potential detriments.

I have faith that together the great city of Madison will embrace these positive changes and be even stronger in the future.

Thank you,
Jamie Roberts
608-850-5155 (home)

From: Robert Michalak <micha306@umn.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:53 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35s at Truax

Good Morning,

My name is Rob Michalak. I am a member of the Wisconsin Army National Guard, once as a drone technician and now as a cavalry reconnaissance officer.

I am emailing you in support of the installment of F35s at Truax Field. Military aviation has a strong history within the Madison area. This history has provided jobs within the community and a relatively scaled down exposure opportunity for those in the community to learn more about what it is to be in military service versus communities like Killeen, TX or Pensacola, FL - communities defined by the presence of the military. Although present in our great state's capital city, the footprint is still small, but effective in the overall strategic placement within our national defense system. As part of that system, I know that I appreciate having that capability near on hand if needed.

My civilian job is working for Sierra Nevada Corporation on Madison's West Side. So, I am also a tad biased as no matter how many times I see a 777, A330, or F16 fly over, I still get excited as an engineer. Planes are an inspirational feat of human ingenuity, whether civilian or military.

I appreciate you taking the time to read my appeal and I hope you take it into consideration.

Best Regards,

Rob Michalak

Veldran, Lisa

From: drhesse@uwalumni.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:54 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose f35s

I am writing in support of the City Council resolution opposing F 35s in Madison.

Diane Hesse

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: RMcMahon@generalheating.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:56 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Resolution of F-35 Basing in Madison

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Please be advised that I DO NOT AGREE with the Resolution opposing the F-35 basing operations in Madison. I wish to reinforce my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. It should be with great honor that we continue to support the base of operations and the men and women who serve.

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Lodi, WI 53555

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From: LLK <knoche1129@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:59 AM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: 100% support for the 115th Fighter Wings & F-35

Dear Alders,

This is an email to let you know that I oppose the resolution opposing the F-35s.

Further more I am in strong support of the 115th Fighter Wing and F-35s.

I grew up on the Northside of Madison (formerly Berkley Heights) and chose to return here after living 24 years elsewhere in our State. The noise has never been an issue for me-I welcome the brief interruption and I will typically pause for a moment to think about what's happening and why.

Our country and the men and women who fight for our freedom is something I value deeply, as should EVERYBODY!

Sincerely,
Laura Knoche

From: paula mohan <paulamohan@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:00 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: support for resolution opposing the siting of F35s at Truax Field

Dear Alders:

I strongly support the resolution to oppose the siting of F35s at Truax Field that the Common Council is scheduled to vote on in Tuesday, 9/17/19's meeting.

As a resident on the near east side of Madison, I would not be as adversely affected as the many residents who live within the direct vicinity of Truax Field and who will be expected to endure the excessive noise and damaging effect of the presence of F35 weaponry. But, the demographic make-up of the neighborhoods most affected and the lower average incomes in those neighborhoods who are expected to 'take it' makes this an issue of environmental racism.

It's also clear that the abatement procedures and the mitigation measures offered would not begin to meet the needs of the people most affected. The shortage of affordable housing in Madison means that many of the residents in the area most affected would be unable to move or find alternative housing in a quieter section of the town.

Given our rapidly growing city, it seems unlikely that an expansion of military weaponry, with its assorted noise and pollution potential, could ever be compatible with a location at Truax Field.

Please send a message, on behalf of your residents, and vote yes on the resolution to oppose the siting of F35's at Truax Field.

Thank you for your attention.

Paula Mohan
1135 Williamson St.
Madison, WI53703

From: bill stacy <rofstacy1@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:01 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Madison Common Council resolution rejecting the F-35's

I strongly support the presence of our military aircraft at Truax Field and urge you to reject the resolution to oppose the F-35's coming to Madison. Many people protesting the F-35's have lived near the F-16's for years after choosing to live near the airport. If the newer planes are indeed louder, there is remedy available for soundproofing of residences.

The economic impact of having the 115th Fighter Wing here is tremendous not to mention the pride in having the Madison area supporting our national defense.

Please vote down this resolution. Do the right thing !

Bill Stacy

1202 Iowa Drive

Veldran, Lisa

From: Don C. Krisher <dckrisher@kollegetown.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:01 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: FW: F-35 in Madison

To: allalders@cityofmadison.com
BCC: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 in Madison

I am a supporter of the 115th Fighter Wing getting the F-35 and oppose the Madison Common Council Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing!

Don Krisher

From: Carol Bethel <csbethel@frontier.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:01 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Opposition

To All Alders,

I am writing to ask you to support the placement of the F-35 (and the 115 Fighter Wing) at Truax Field in Madison. Though there is overwhelming support for this placement in Madison some of the alders still want to oppose it. Your "job" is to make your districts wishes known NOT to advance your own thoughts. The F-35 placement in Madison would have little environmental effect on Wisconsin and it would have a great economical boost. I am a 68 year old lifetime Madison area resident and I ask you to please support the F-35 Mission. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Carol Bethel

Veldran, Lisa

From: Denise Lamb <madmiz4009@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:04 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: F-35s at Truax

I am writing to express my opposition to placing F-35 fighter jets at Truax Field, outlined in *Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown*.

Denise Lamb
4409 Mineral Point Rd.
Madison, WI 53705



From: Vicki Berenson <vicki.berenson@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:05 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Vote YES on resolution opposing F-35s at Truax
Attachments: Madison Friends Meeting Statement on F-35s.pdf

I forgot to include my address in my previous email. I live on the east side of Madison, a few blocks from the flight path, and I am affected but not eligible for any noise abatement - although it won't help any of us if we go outside.

Yesterday I spoke to a man who lives in Phoenix, 5 miles from their base. In his words the F-35s are "thunderously deafeningly loud."

I ask you to support the original resolution 57364 with the language that the Madison Common Council does not support the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown.

The alders who authored the resolution have researched the issue thoroughly and have listened to their constituents, who will be most affected by the increase in noise and air traffic, which has been clearly documented.

I also oppose on moral grounds. The proliferation of the F-35 jets as part of the US strategic nuclear bomber force serves only to escalate the nuclear arms race, enrich arms manufacturers and make the world less safe by engendering fear and creating more enemies.

Although we have been told the jets at Truax would not be nuclear-capable, pilots here will be training to fly the F-35s. The Air Force is not required to inform us if they decide to have nuclear-capable jets or nuclear weapons here.

I have attached a statement approved by the Madison Friends Meeting (Quakers) opposing the F-35 jets. I hope you will summon the faith, courage and resolution to approve this resolution.

Thank you,

Vicki Berenson
145 Jackson St
Madison, WI 53704

vicki.berenson@gmail.com
608-279-5508



Minute opposing F-35 fighter jets at Truax Air National Guard base September 1, 2019
Madison Friends Meeting, 1704 Roberts Court, Madison, WI 53711 clerk@madisonfriends.org

We, the Madison Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) call on our elected officials and community leaders to oppose stationing F-35 fighter jets at Truax Air National Guard base in Madison, Wisconsin. As Quakers, we seek to remove the circumstances that foster war, based on our belief there is that of God in everyone. That belief has been shown to turn adversaries into friends, while to prepare for war creates a threat, making enemies of people who might otherwise be our allies.

The nuclear-capable F-35s have been designated a part of the US strategic nuclear bomber force. They can each carry 2 nuclear warheads up to 4 times more powerful than the bombs that destroyed Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which caused hundreds of thousands of deaths. We object to Wisconsin allowing Truax Air National Guard to house these jets and to train pilots to fly them. If the Truax F-35s are given a "nuclear mission", the Air National Guard will become complicit in the nuclear bombing of other nations, and Truax itself will become a military target.

We are also very concerned about the day to day impact of F35 flight operations on the residents of East Madison. According to the draft Air National Guard Environmental Impact Statement released in August 2019, the expansion of the Truax base to accommodate the F-35s will cause increased noise levels. State and local government will bear the cost of much of the relocation of families and soundproofing of homes. Low-income residents in surrounding neighborhoods will have their communities disrupted. Young children and vulnerable adults in homes and schools in the area will be subject to unacceptable noise levels. Residents in the periphery will have to cope with increased flights and noise, and the impact on property values.

There have already been serious threats to water quality in NE Madison due to PFAS contamination from Truax firefighting activities. We fear further contamination of Madison well water by Truax expansion and maintenance of F35's. Those living near Truax will also have to contend with the health effects of air pollution due to increased jet exhaust from F35 "backburner" or auxiliary engine use. Finally, the fossil fuel expended by each F35 flight will contribute significantly to climate change.

We applaud our elected officials who are working to increase diplomacy, and urge all to follow their lead. We are also grateful to members of the Wisconsin National Guard, who work to keep us safe. We honor them with our respect and compassion, but we do not support the use of violence as a means to this end. Our National Guard serves us by offering a range of domestic support services, including disaster relief regionally and nationally, firefighting and water assistance, and help with civilian aircraft issues. By redirecting tax money from the F-35 program, the Guard could supplement these and add other missions including cybersecurity and anti-terrorism work. Every dollar spent on healthcare, education and the environment creates up to 3 times as many jobs as the same amount spent on the military.

In the words of Albert Einstein: "You cannot simultaneously prevent and prepare for war. The very prevention of war requires more faith, courage and resolution than are needed to prepare for war." We urge our elected officials to summon the faith, courage and resolution to reject the F-35 aircraft being located at Truax Field. As members of the Religious Society of Friends, we also advocate for an end to the nuclear capable F-35 program and for US compliance with international treaties to eliminate nuclear weapons. Surely Madison can attract clean energy and other sustainable industry that will create jobs without threatening the health and safety of Madison residents. We wish to see Wisconsin as a force for peace in the nation and the world.



From: Sherry Reames <reamessherry@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:04 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please, no F-35s at Truax

Dear alders,

I am deeply concerned about the low-income members of the Madison community, especially the children, whose lives will be seriously impacted if F-35s are based at Truax.

The Air Force itself has admitted, in its environmental impact statement, that the increase in noise exposure would disproportionately impact the already-disadvantaged children and families to the east and the south of the base. "Sound mitigation" cannot solve the problem for the many families who live in trailers, and of course better windows won't provide any noise abatement for children playing outdoors.

I would protest that living in Madison is already hard enough for low-income and minority families. Are we really prepared to make their daily lives even more stressful, causing further harm to their health and their children's performance in school, for the sake of siting these fighter planes here and whatever economic benefits derive from that? This is a question of human health and environmental justice, and I urge you to consider that carefully before you vote.

Yours sincerely,
Sherry Reames,
522 Virginia Terrace
Madison 53726

Veldran, Lisa

From: Anika Rice <amrice2@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:09 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposing the F-35s!!!

Hello,

I oppose the F-35s in Madison. Please support the resolution to oppose them, for the well being of the residents of this lovely community!

Best,
Anika Rice

Veldran, Lisa

From: moon pep <moonpep@webtv.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Foster/Kemble F35 resolution

I strongly support the Foster/Kemble resolution regarding F35s at Truax.

Peppi Elder

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tom Fullmer <tommfullmer@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:10 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: Opposition to F-35 Beddown

Hello,

I'm a D12 resident and am writing to express my firm opposition to the Air National Guard's tentative plan to beddown an F-35A squadron at the Dane County Regional Airport. I believe the negative health, environmental, and economic impacts outlined in the Environmental Impact Statement far outweigh the potential economic benefits of housing the squadron in Madison.

While I understand the final decision will not be made by the City of Madison, I strongly urge the Common Council to pass a resolution opposing the F-35A operational beddown in Madison.

This spring, I moved into an apartment in the Eken Park neighborhood from my old apartment in the Vilas neighborhood. I work in Marketing/PR at Olbrich Gardens, and my partner, Mackenzie, is a new 4th grade teacher. We are nearing our savings goal for a down payment on a house, and while we love our new neighborhood, the F-35A beddown would make me strongly reconsider purchasing our first home in the Eken Park area.

Thank you,
Tom Fullmer

811 North St
District 12

From: J Pensinger <jpensinger@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:12 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support the 115th and F35s

I urge you to support the mission of the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35's.

The loss of the 115th would be like losing another Oscar Mayer for Madison, or like Janesville losing GM. But this loss gets personal for hundreds of families. If you vote against the F-35s, you are also telling hundreds of families of the Fighter Wing that you don't want them in our neighborhoods. You would be saying that you don't want their kids in the schools, or the spouses working at those schools, businesses, hospitals, etc in our communities. It says you don't want these families shopping in Madison or anywhere in the greater Dane county area. These families who are part of the 115th Fighter Wing need the F-35s based here. They want to stay in the communities that they love and live in.

The 115th Fighter Wing is a part of the community for many other things, like providing the fire security at the airport for Dane County, and helping with tornado damage up north, or helping to put out the transformer fire in Madison. Of course, their main duty is to help provide safety and security of our state, region and country. We need the military. Don't say - just not here.

Jan Pensinger

Veldran, Lisa

From: Taylor Spellman-Fife <taylor.spellmanfife@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:12 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

To whom it may concern,

As a resident of downtown Madison and a student at Madison College, I support F-35's coming to Madison.

Thank you,

Taylor Spellman-Fife
(608) 695-4420
taylor.spellmanfife@gmail.com

Sent from my iPhone

From: kenneth saville <kensaville.1951@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:13 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's at Truax

I remain in total support of the F-35's. I live short distance from the airport for around 35 years and have no problem with the little extra noise. It seems that new evidence was brought out that indicates that the homes in questions won't be "unlivable" but may very well need some extra insulation. I think this is a very solvable problem and relatively inexpensive.

I support the F-35's and look forward to seeing (and hearing) them flying over Madison.

Ken Saville

Veldran, Lisa

From: esolson@talentcpa.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:16 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Supporting the 115th Fighter Wing

As a business owner in Sun Prairie, I have many clients who are employees or relatives working at the 115th Fighter Wing whose jobs may in jeopardy if the F-35 mission is not supported. This may have a negative impact not only on my business, but many Dane County businesses that these fine men and women support. Please consider changing your position, and supporting the F-35 mission.

Thank you!

Emily Olson, CPA
Financial Advisor

Talent Insurance & Financial Solutions, LLC

100 Wilburn Rd., Suite 103

Sun Prairie, WI 53590

esolson@talentcpa.com

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Jeff Meyer <jeffmeyer11@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:16 PM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 Mission

I would like to urge all Madison Alders to oppose the resolution being authored that opposes F-35 basing in Madison. I completely support the mission of the 115th Fighter Wing in Madison and look forward to their continued presence here. The 115th has a long history of exemplary service to the security of our country.

The current F-16's are reaching the end of their operational lifespan and if we are not selected as a base for the new F-35 aircraft, it is very possible that Truax may close and we would lose as many local jobs as we did when Oscar Mayer closed up shop here. No matter what you think about the F-35 program as a whole, it will be deployed somewhere. I hope it happens here.

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Thanks,

Jeff Meyer
5002 Stagehouse Trl
Madison, WI 73714

608-219-5229

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jason Stude <jpstude@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for F - 35 and 115th

Dear City of Madison Alders,

I want to extend to you my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. In my opinion there are far more positive impacts that the F-35 will bring to Madison and the entire State of Wisconsin than any of the negative things that seem to keep getting discussed.

Please rethink your decision on opposing the F-35 basing, educate those in your district and move to support the next mission of the 115 FW.

Thank you for your time and support.

Jason Stude

Waunakee Resident

Supporter of the 115 FW

From: Ashley Meyers <ashleynicolemeyers@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:19 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission

Sir or Ma'am,

I am writing to let you know that I am in support of the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.

Thank you for your time and consideration. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at ashleynicolemeyers@gmail.com.

Very Respectfully,
Ashley Meyers

From: Donald Pfau <donpfau@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:24 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 basing

Good afternoon,

It has come to my attention that there is consideration of shutting down the basing of F35s at Truax. I am recommending that they stay due to the fact that there will be over 100 million in lost revenue should they be forced to close. This is quite a large amount for the city. Not to mention lost jobs.

There has been some concern as to whether these are the only things, or the majority, causing pollution in the city's wells or not. I'd like to see a study that actually verifies this. To date, I've only seen suppositional abstracts with no real evidence or proof that this is the case.

Please consider this email as a plea to vote against shutting down the F35 basing.

Sincerely,
Dr.Donald Pfau, DC, FIACN

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tom Wangard <tom.w@cartridgesavers.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:25 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for F-35 Program at Truax

Good Afternoon:

Cartridge Savers is a Madison-based business that is located under one of the flight paths for the F-16s currently stationed at the 115th Fighter Wing.

I am writing to you today to voice our support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. We are thus also writing to voice our opposition to the proposed resolution Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown, or any other statement from the Council that opposes the F-35 program at Truax.

Thank you,

Tom

Thomas R. Wangard, President

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From: Rachel Langenohl <rachellangenohl@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:26 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposition to resolution that opposes F-35 Basing

Dear All Madison Alders,

I am writing to have my opposition registered to your resolution that would ban the F-35's being based at the Madison Airport. There were hundreds of people who came out in support of having the F-35s based at Truax, at a recent hearing, and it is simply unconscionable that you would propose such a resolution knowing that. Certainly there are a vocal **few** opposing it, but if you were honestly representing the majority of your constituents, you would not be proposing this ban at all. Not only has the fighter wing been a good neighbor in Madison for many, many years, but they provide a service that benefits every citizen of this city, county, and quite frankly the entire nation. We should be proud and thankful of the work they do, and if there are any concerns, work directly with them to find solutions. This ban is a very poor choice and I hope it fails resoundingly.

Rachel Langenohl

From: Paul Leverich <pleverich1970@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:28 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 Resolution

I support the F-35 coming to Truax Field for many reasons.

1. The F-16 aircraft has been out of production for the US since 2005. The current models are block 30 and one block 32 were all built in 1987. We will not get newer F-16s when these aircraft hit their max hours which is quickly approaching. Without a replacement aircraft the Unit will lose its flying mission which in turn will make the base more likely to be closed in the next round of closures.
2. The 115th provides the primary fire and emergency services including EMS, HAZMAT, and technical rescue for the entire airport at both higher staffing and equipment levels than required for an Index C airport. The fire department also provides mutual aid to the surrounding area. If the flying mission goes away so will the Fire department which will cost the airport much more while providing less protection.
3. The F-35 noise will in most cases actually be lower than most of the current aircraft using Dane county regional. I have watched a F-35A which is the Air force variant take off without afterburner and was off the ground with a shorter rollout than the current F-16s using afterburners, this is due to the fact the aircraft has a larger wing thus lower wing loading than the F-16 along with a more powerful engine that will require afterburner less often,

In short Truax field provides both an economical and life safety impact to not only the airport itself but to the surrounding communities.

Thank you,

Paul Leverich

Veldran, Lisa

From: Matthew Nafranowicz <matthew@thestraightthread.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:28 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s at Truax

Dear alders of Madison,

I am writing to support the resolution to oppose the F-35s being housed here in Madison.

Matthew Nafranowicz
202 N. Marquette St.
Madison, WI 53704

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The Straight Thread
2033 Atwood Ave.
Madison, WI 53704
608-250-5135 (shop)
Hours: 7:30-3:30 M-Th
Fridays by Appointment

From: Edward Kuharski <ekuharski@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:30 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: Resolution on proposed basing of F-35 fighter jets @ Truax Field.

To the Mayor and Alders on the Common Council, I wish to add my voice to the many who are in favor of Resolution #57364 and opposed to the potential basing of F-35 offensive fighter jets at Truax Field. I have been a peace activist and advocate for non-violence for over 50 years. It is important to me to contain the growth of the US military whenever possible, and to seek demilitarization as an ultimate goal.

For anyone who seeks to reduce the carnage of gun violence within our borders, who supports nuclear disarmament or who supports urgent actions to counter the growing threat of climate change, it is inconsistent to support the deployment of the advanced killing technology that is the F-35 fighter jet.

This aircraft has no defensive purpose. It would violate the spirit if not the letter of our long-declared stance here in Madison as a nuclear-free zone.

The primary mission of our military is the projection of force and threat of force around the globe to secure our access to the world's resources, principally those required to support the fossil fuel-based economy. So the most effective way to support the necessary move to a carbon-free economy & society is to rapidly decommission the US military.

All of this is in addition to the threat of degradation of quality of life and health in our city as well as of property values in general but especially on the East & North sides of the city. The negative impact of this deployment would have these negative impacts far beyond the areas indicated on the map included in the EIS report.

In addition to Resolution #75364 I urge the revision of the Nuclear Free Zone declaration to include all personnel, systems & equipment for storage & delivery of nuclear weapons.

Please support the resolution and the upcoming change to the declaration.

Warm regards, Ed

Edward Kuharski, Architect, AIA, LEED AP
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"The best way to predict the future is to help create it."

Veldran, Lisa

From: Justin R. Bach <jrbach@kollegetown.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:31 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 in Madison

I am a supporter of the 115th Fighter Wing getting the F-35 and oppose the Madison Common Council Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing!

Justin Bach

Kollege Town Sports
Team Sales Representative
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jrbach@kollegetown.com

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From: W SPENCER <ss3390@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:31 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Badger Air Community Council (BACC)
Subject: F-35 support

I wanted to voice my support for the F-35 program and the 115th fighter wing and in doing so I oppose your resolution against. I would hope the alders in opposition would reconsider. I live near the airport, just off North St., and have no problem. We had F-35s landing a few weeks back, flew right over the house, I found them only slightly louder than the current F-16 but not as loud as the occasional F-18 that we have.

Thank you,
William Spencer

From: Ron Hahn <ronhahn@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:31 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: 115th Fighter Wing F-35 Project

To the Madsion Alders,

I am a resident of Sun Prairie. My wife and I attended event last Thursday at the Alliant Center to show our support of the 115th Fighter Wing F-35 project. I proudly wore the blue hat and blue sticker showing my support.

We both highly support the 115th Fighter Wing F-35 project, and ask you for your support. The Beddown would assure the continuation of our Air National Guard 115th Fighter Wing at Truax Field. The 115th Fighter Wing provides valuable economic impact, emergency services, plus jobs for more than 1,200 military and civilian personnel.

Therefore:

- I oppose the Resolution coming to the floor of the Madison Common Council which does not support the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown.
- I urge you to vote against the Resolution and to support the 115th Fighter Wing F-35 project.

Thank you.

Ron Hahn

From: Ronda Statz <rondastatz@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:37 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 opposition

"Dear City of Madison Alders,

Please make note that I support the City Council resolution lead by Foster/Kemble opposing the F-35s.

As a resident of Schenk-Atwood-Starkweather-Yahara, I can attest to the fact that the existing F-16s already deliver a disturbing decibel level to my neighborhood, which is solidly outside of the range of the closest, affected neighborhoods.

It is incredibly short-sighted to favor a handful of jobs and some perceived status for the displacement of hundreds of Madison residents and the erosion of property values. It's time to step up and support the PEOPLE of this city and not capitalism. We have enough of that already - just look at the gentrification of the east Isthmus.

Thank you.

Ronda Statz
2711 Lafollette Ave

Veldran, Lisa

From: Elizabeth Ivers <em_ivers@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:38 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 proposal
Attachments: F-16 logs_1.jpg; F-16 logs_2.jpg; F-16 logs_3.jpg

September 16, 2019

Dear Madison Common Council Alders,

Alder Marsha Rummel asked me to share my concerns about the proposed F-35 flights from Truax Field. I live in the Schenk-Atwood neighborhood at 117 Ohio Avenue. My neighbors and I are deeply concerned about this proposal. The noise from the current F-16's is excruciatingly painful, so it's shocking to us that you are considering encouraging even noisier F-35 fighter jets to fly over such a heavily populated area as Madison. It is not an exaggeration to say that this will seriously damage the quality of life for the whole east side of the city, from poorer communities to wealthier neighborhoods.

I work at home and the noise from F-16's is a regular occurrence, so much so that I started keeping a record last fall. As you can see from my records, there are a substantial number of flyovers and the impact is severe. (The logs do not include periods when I was away from the house or traveling.) Our house is well-insulated and yet, even with all our windows closed, the noise is deafening. A normal conversation with my husband is impossible, and if I'm on the phone, I must wait to speak until the flyovers are completed. Listening to the radio or TV is out of the question. And enjoying time in the yard has become more and more difficult. The flyovers feel like violent bombing raids, and the effect is felt not only during the flyovers, but lingers long after. It's astounding to me that even noisier jets are being considered.

When my husband and I moved to the Schenk-Atwood neighborhood in the 1990's we knew we would hear occasional commercial air traffic. But we didn't think we would have to endure anything like the piercing noise from F-16 jet flyovers, much less F-35's. It's difficult for me to believe that the beautiful community of Madison is being asked to deal with this. Any gains in economic activity from the introduction of F-35's will be offset by decreased property values, residents moving from the city, and the overall diminishment of Madison's quality of life.

For those of you in favor of this proposal, I have two questions: 1) If Madison is chosen, are we going to receive compensation for the loss of peace in our neighborhood? Doesn't the substantial increase in noise represent a "taking" that should be recompensed? 2) If this goes through, shouldn't ALL neighborhoods be impacted to the same degree? F-35's can just as easily fly over Shorewood Hills, Dudgeon-Monroe, or Woodland Hills as Schenk-Atwood.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Ivers

117 Ohio Avenue
Madison, WI 53704
608-243-7782

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From: Katie Ginder-Vogel <katie@gee-vee.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:39 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council resolution opposing F-35A fighter jets

Dear Alders,

I'm writing to ask you to please support the Common Council Resolution Opposing the F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field that was introduced by Alders Abbas, Evers, Foster, Heck, Rummel, and Kemble, entitled "Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown."

Here's why I oppose Truax Field as a location for these new jets:

The existing noise due to current fighter jets and county airport operations is already loud on the West Side of Madison during the daytime and evening and would be untenable on the North and East sides of Madison (this is anecdotal reasoning).

It's unacceptable that a public elementary school will experience noise levels of F-35A fighter jets at an untenable level. That's just wrong.

The Air Force and Air National Guard will provide no funds for noise abatement.

Madison residents are actively working to improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods and encourage more people to live in the city. Madison and Dane County currently lead Wisconsin in population growth. Rather than encouraging people to live where they work and play, the F-35A squadron will make the city a less desirable place to live and promote urban sprawl, unsustainable lifestyles and global warming.

Please support Madison residents and approve the resolution opposing the use of Truax Field for the proposed F-35A fighter jets.

Thank you,

Kathleen Ginder-Vogel

Sheldon St., Madison (District 13)

From: Danielle Lee <lee.danielle.y@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:43 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Fighter Jets? No thank you.

Please support the Common Council Resolution Opposing the F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field.

I live close to the airport and can not fathom how this is even being considered.

The Air Force has released for public comment a draft Environmental Impact Statement evaluating the impacts of the proposed beddown of a squadron of new F-35 fighter jets at existing Air National Guard bases in Wisconsin, Idaho, Florida, Michigan and Alabama. The Wisconsin base at Truax Field would receive a squadron of 18 fighter jets. Of the five sites evaluated in the EIS, Truax Field has the greatest environmental justice and health impacts due the low-income and minority families that live adjacent to the county airport and thousands of residents who live on the east and north sides of Madison.

There are so many reasons to oppose Truax Field as a location for these new jets. Many of these are clearly presented in the draft EIS. I ask you to support the Common Council resolution opposing Truax Field at a site these new jets.

Here are some of my reasons for opposing these jets:

-The existing noise due to current fighter jets and county airport operations is already unacceptable.

-This project promotes environmental racism.

Our children will be especially vulnerable to the effects of this project.

-The Air Force and Air National Guard will provide no funds for noise abatement.

-Operations at Truax Field are responsible for contaminating local groundwater with fire-fighting chemicals, including PFAS, requiring the shutdown of Well 15. This is not a good track record.

-Madison residents are actively working to improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods and encourage more people to live in the city. Madison and Dane County currently lead Wisconsin in population growth. -Rather than encouraging people to live where they work and play, the F-35A squadron will make the city a less desirable place to live and promote urban sprawl, unsustainable lifestyles and global warming.

Please support Madison residents and approve the resolution opposing the use of Truax Field for the proposed F-35A fighter jets.

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Sent from my iPhone.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Grant Coisman <gwaffle16@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:46 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Please support the F-35

Hello,

My name is Grant Coisman and my family live and work in Madison. I work for the 115th fighter wing and my wife works for the state of Wisconsin.

I strongly oppose of the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.

I support the 115 Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Our address is 2032 Catlin Pl, Madison, WI 53713

Respectfully,

Grant Coisman

From: Kathy Sandridge <kdeblare@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:47 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: I Support the new Fighter Jets

To all Alder persons.

I live near Truax Field. My windows get rattled each time those wonderful Jets take off. I would be extremely dissatisfied and disappointed if you were to pass any resolutions to block the new Jets from coming to Truax. I appreciate the military men and women who put themselves after the nations well being. For those people who do not understand that the airport and Truax Field were there before they purchased or moved into the neighborhood, they should be reminded of that.

My husband and I appreciate all the afforded protection and peace of mind. I will take the few minutes of noise any day.

Thank you

Kathy Sandridge

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Veldran, Lisa

From: Rand Hill <randemoz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:47 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Issue

Dear Alders,

I am a 40 yr. resident of east side Madison. Since having bought my house in the Olbrich area in 2000 I have had to adjust to increase jet traffic noise--more flights, earlier hours--and have learned to live with the F-16s. At some point, however, this increase has to stop, and that point is now!

I can testify to the quantum impact the F-35s will have on our quality of life. When they were 'testing them out' here a few weeks ago, I had to emotionally process disturbing feelings from the abrupt afterburner blasts.

I support that we have a National Guard, and that we need a military tech to not get behind our adversaries in the current world state. But I have always felt that military air bases should be separated off, especially from growing urban municipalities. Choices were made back when to accommodate, really, an Air Force base right here, at a regional airport that is already, by rights, too close to the living city. Not only are their noise justice impacts, but there is very real risks of an urban jet crash.

I know that this decision will have economic impact here, but I urge your courage in standing up for what is right here. I believe this is Madison's first real environmental justice issue, as many minority and low income families that don't have much choice will bear the brunt of this change.

Thank you for your consideration,
Rand Hill

Veldran, Lisa

From: mikezee1970 <mikezee1970@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:58 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Truax F-35

All

Although I do not live in Madison(I live in Columbus) I work in downtown Madison. I wanted to give my full support to the F-35s! I sincerely hope you will give your full consideration into opposing the resolution to ban the F-35s! This doesn't just affect the adjoining neighbors to the airport it affects all of us as a security issue. America needs to have the best available resources to defend itself and I do not feel that banning F-35s or any other military equipment is appropriate. If people are concerned with noise and other issues with them then why would they move that close to an airport in the first place. Truax Field was there long before (1942)any(most) of those neighbors or houses were. Again I want emphasize MY FULL SUPPORT FOR THE F-35's!!! They should be welcome here with open arms!!

Thank you for your time.
Mike Zurawicz

Sent from my U.S.Cellular© Smartphone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tom Williams <willie7182@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:58 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Support

Greetings Madison Alders,

I know there are many people in the Madison area who oppose the F-35 being stationed in our city. The only valid reason why they oppose is because of the sound. I think they fail to recognize the substantial economic boost the base brings to the community along with emergency management and the safety blanket they provide for us. The benefits substantially outweigh the cost of a little noise once and a while.

Tom Williams

Veldran, Lisa

From: Don Struve <struvdo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 12:58 PM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support the F-35

Good Day,

I think it is imperative that our air wing is updated with the newest equipment to keep the region, and our pilots safe. I understand the noise levels are reported to be greater with the F35, but the stealth technology is a vast improvement. Several airplanes commercial and military fly in and out of the airport every day. No big outcry occurs at this point for the environment. If it were why not shut the whole airport down.

That comment right there is as ridiculous as not allowing the fighting people keeping all of us safe from having the best to do their jobs. Please consider the improved technology, and capabilities when making your decision.

Thank you,

Don

Veldran, Lisa

From: cmerkel5@wi.rr.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:02 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: 'badgerair@gmail.com'
Subject: support the F-35 basing
Attachments: 20160531 - Aviation Week Article on Netherlands Noise Testing.pdf; 20190612 - Aviation Week Article on 2019 Danish Noise Testing.pdf

Dear Madison Alders,

I am writing to express my support for the F-35 basing at Truax Field. I am a current F-16 pilot at the 115th Fighter Wing and very familiar with the arguments for and against the F-35.

I understand the concern that citizens have regarding noise. Unfortunately, the Draft Environmental Impact Statement caused more concern than it should have. While the F-35 may be slightly louder than the F-16, table WI3.1-12 in the EIS indicates the current dBA vs the Proposed Action dBA at various points of interest around Truax Field. Most of the changes are between 0 and 4 decibels. It's important to note that for the typical person, 3 decibels is the smallest change in sound that the ear can detect. This is important. A change in 10 decibels represents 10x the power, but is detected as only twice as loud by the human ear. After much research on the science of sound and how it is measured and quantified, I anticipate that the difference in sound between the F-16 and the F-35 will be undetectable by most people who live near the airport.

This is backed up by case studies from both the Netherlands Air Force and the Danish Air Force. The Netherlands and Denmark are partner nations in the F-35 program and operated F-16s before receiving F-35s. In an effort to answer questions about noise from F-35s, they flew F-16s and F-35s side by side for citizens to hear. As reported by AviationWeek.com, citizens "perceived only slightly louder volumes from the F-35 compared to the F-16". Both articles are attached to this letter.

We cannot eliminate all noise from airports. But we generally accept it as a tradeoff for living in a safe, thriving urban area, just as we tolerate noise from garbage trucks, trains, street sweepers, and school busses. Why? Because we need those services. Commercial aviation contributes directly to our economy and military aviation contributes to our national security.

The 115th Fighter Wing is committed to being a good neighbor. Via strong collaboration with the airport, the city, and the FAA we will work to minimize the impact of military aviation on the community. Meanwhile we will continue to operate in the safe, professional manner that we have for many years. Please support us as we move forward in the next phase of our proud history.

Regards,

Charlie Merkel

LtCol, 115th Fighter Wing

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F-35, F-16 Noise Difference Small, Netherlands Study Shows

Aerospace Daily & Defense Report May 31, 2016 , p. 2

Tony Osborne



F-35B: U.S. Navy

LONDON – Analysis of the first noise trials in the Netherlands with the [F-35](#) Joint Strike Fighter has found that the difference in noise levels between the F-35 and [F-16](#) is perceived to be small.

The first trials took place May 26 following the May 23 arrival of two F-35As at Leeuwarden air base after the first eastbound transatlantic crossing by the new fighter. The aircraft has widely been reported to be louder than early and later models of the F-16 with more powerful engines. But the F-35's sound characteristics are different.

According to the Royal Netherlands Air Force (RNLAf) and the Netherlands Aerospace Center (NLR), which monitored the results of the online questionnaire in real-time as the sorties were flown, people living near

Leeuwarden found that the noise difference between the two types tended to be minor. Locals suggested that the F-35 is less noisy than the high-pitch whine produced by the F-16.

The NLR and the RNLAf say this data is backed up by noise measuring equipment located near the base which measured peaks of around 109 dB for the F-35 and around 112 dB for the F-16. The F-35s were flown clean—with no external weapons or tanks—in what the RNLAf describes as a “training configuration commonly used for the Netherlands.”

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As part of the first trials, the air force performed a series of 28 passes, 14 with the F-35 and 14 with the F-16. Seven passes took place in the morning and seven in the evening, with and without reheat. Residents were then asked online to answer a series of questions about how they perceived the noise.

Around 1,500 households took part in the surveys near Leeuwarden and Volkel, the two Dutch air bases that will receive the F-35. The air force says the households were well distributed to give an impression of the noise impact around the bases.

As well as testing noise perception, the deployment will also confirm the compatibility of the F-35 with the hardened aircraft shelters on Dutch airfields. Later, the F-35 will make its European debut with an appearance at the RNLAf's Open Dagen airshow at Leeuwarden June 10-11.

The Netherlands currently has four pilots and 27 maintainers, and its cadre will grow substantially over the next three years as the Netherlands prepares for 37 aircraft to be permanently based, starting with Leeuwarden in 2019 and Volkel Air Base in 2021.

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F-35 Gets Good Grade In Danish Noise Trials

Aerospace Daily & Defense Report Jun 12, 2019 , p. 4
Tony Osborne



F-35: USAF

LONDON—The F-35 Joint Strike Fighter has been given a largely positive report card following a series of noise trials in support of its basing in Denmark.

In initial reports published by the Netherlands Aerospace Center (NLR) and the Danish defense ministry, locals living near the Skrydstrup airbase perceived only slightly louder volumes from the F-35 compared to the F-16, and marginally increased frequency and vibrations, following a series of test flights carried out with a Royal Norwegian Air Force F-35 on May 22.

The aircraft flew sorties using takeoff and departure patterns associated with daily flight operations at the base.

The NLR report said the highest levels of noise recorded from the F-35 was 94 dB, compared with 91 dB for the soon-to-be-replaced F-16.

As well as recording the local noise perception, the NLR also positioned several microphones around the airfield at sites chosen by the public. The NLR report says that instances in which the noise level of the F-16 was higher were during the departure with afterburner. But it does not say whether any F-35 takeoffs were performed with reheat.

Danish officials implemented the trials due to concerns among the local population about the aircraft's increased noise. Analysis by the Danish government found that around 600 households in Skrydstrup—which will be Denmark's main operating base for the F-35—could face increases in noise levels of around 5 dB.

The trial was structured similarly to previous noise trials performed by the NLR in the Netherlands in 2016.

While the NLR recorded largely satisfactory comments from nearly 300 households that took part, some have questioned whether it represents a true picture of how daily operation would be performed. Others point out that the aircraft flew over "fewer areas than they normally do."

A more detailed report is expected in the coming weeks.

Locals are likely to experience less aircraft noise regardless, partially due to a greater focus on simulator-based training. Officials also noted that the Danish F-35 conversion training will be performed in the U.S., while such work for the F-16s is currently being completed at Skrydstrup.

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Denmark is planning to purchase 27 F-35s, 22 of which will be based at Skrystrup, with the rest remaining in the U.S. The Danish air force wants to achieve an initial operating capability with the F-35 in 2024, allowing for the phasing out of the F-16 fleet. But the transition process means the Danish aircraft will not be available to support international missions between 2022 and 2024. A limited operational capacity will enable Danish F-35s to support international operations between 2025 and 2026. Full operational status will be achieved in 2027.

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Heather Reeder <hpreeder@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:06 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No jets

Please, no noisy jets! I get that it's modern world stuff, but the noise pollution is just not what Madison is all about. Madison is more environmentally friendly than noisy jets.

Thanks.

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Heather Reeder

Veldran, Lisa

From: Barbara J Osborn <bjosborn@madison.k12.wi.us>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:06 PM
To: lynettejandl@gmail.com
Cc: All Alders; Mayor; Board; county_board_recipients@countyofdane.com
Subject: Re: [board] Thank you for the resolution opposing the F15s in Madison

Thank you for your email. The Board members and Dr. Belmore have received your message.

Sincerely,

Barb Osborn

Secretary to the Board of Education
Madison Metropolitan School District/545 W. Dayton Street/Madison, WI 53703
Phone: (608) 663-1659/Fax: (608) 204-0341

On Fri, Sep 13, 2019 at 7:08 PM Lynette Jandl <lynettejandl@gmail.com> wrote:

I feel so concerned and really believe the Northside would suffer significantly from the F15 jets if they got located here.

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Lynette

Lynette Jandl

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From: Caleb Price <elysiumjohn@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:11 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Grant Foster Proposal

Hello,

I urge the Madison City Council to Support Grant Foster's resolution to oppose bringing F-35 jets to the Madison Air Force base. I believe the benefits the F-35s may bring are outweighed by the risks they pose to the health of the communities surrounding the base. I think increased noise will likely affect the quality of life for the residents of these communities, especially children who attend schools located within the affected area. Property values may be negatively affected and some homes may even be demolished (this has happened where F-35s are being installed in Vermont).

I heard initially that the base would be at risk of closing if the F-35s were not brought here, which would put a lot of Air Force workers out of a job. While this would be cause for serious concern if it were true, I recently heard from Madison representative Chris Taylor that that this is NOT THE CASE. There is no risk of the base closing, and these jobs are not at risk. If Chris Taylor is correct than from my point of view the relatively minor positive economic impact of adding ~60-70 jobs is far outweighed by the potentially disastrous effect it will have of the thousands of community members currently residing in the impacted area.

While it is true the city council nor any local government has any decision making power in these matters, I still think its important to let the Air Force know the addition of F-35s is not a welcome one.

Thank you,

Caleb Price

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jillian Page <jillianpage02@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:13 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission

Hello,

I would like to express my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and F-35 Mission.

- I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing
- I reinforce my support for the 115th Fight Wing and the F-35 Mission

Thank you,

Jillian Page
City of Sun Prairie

Veldran, Lisa

From: Doreen Giles <doreen@gokhalemethod.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:17 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: In support of resolution re F-35s

Hello - I am strongly in support of the resolution recommending against housing the F-35s in Madison and urge you to vote for the resolution.

I recently emailed all of you alders regarding the negative impacts that the jets will have on the many businesses located near the airport. There will be significantly more flight frequency, more noise, and more vibration from these jets. This can only disrupt the many businesses in the area - large employers like TASC and Great Lakes Higher Education as well as small businesses (like my acupuncture clinic) including psychotherapists, massage therapists, chiropractors, dentists, and their patients, Richardson School teachers and students, and many others.

Thank you for considering the welfare of our residents and businesses.

Doreen Giles, L.Ac.

work: 2702 International Lane, #208

home: 2011 Rusk St.

Madison WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Janet Parker <janetparker8@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:17 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor; Vicki Berenson; Abbas, Syed; Tom Boswell
Subject: F-35 - please support original resolution and sending our Quaker public statement
Attachments: MMM Minute F-35s FINAL.pdf

Hello dedicated Alders and Mayor Satya -

Please support THE ORIGINAL resolution 57364 opposing bringing F-35 fighter jets to Truax in Madison.

I am so hugely grateful to my alder Syed Abbas, and alders Foster, Kemble, Rummel, Heck and Evers who have researched this issue and listened to the overwhelming majority of their constituents who do not want the F-35s to come to Madison. Please respect the work of these alders and sign on to the original resolution, not a watered down version. Even the direct costs that would be born by Madison, in lost housing and noise abatement would outweigh any promised economic benefits from jobs.

I am a Quaker. Our faith community is working hard to prevent the Madison F-35 siting. Please see our [Quaker statement against F-35s in Madison](#) and summarized here:

- We oppose based on moral grounds, our peace testimony and economic justice.
- Noise impacts have been clearly demonstrated and we remain concerned about air and water pollution that we do not feel have been adequately addressed.
- The alders for those districts most directly impacted are opposing this; you should defer to their judgement as to the impact on their constituents.

Thank you so much for your work for Madison.

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Janet Parker
608-228-9096
janetparker8@gmail.com

Los seres humanos no nacen para siempre el día en que sus madres los alumbran, sino que la vida los obliga otra vez y muchas veces a parirse a sí mismos.

Human beings are not born once and for all on the day their mothers give birth to them, but life obliges them over and over again to give birth to themselves.

- Gabriel Garcia Marquez



Minute opposing F-35 fighter jets at Truax Air National Guard base in Madison, Wisconsin

September 1, 2019

We, the Madison Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) call on our elected officials and community leaders to oppose stationing F-35 fighter jets at Truax Air National Guard base in Madison, Wisconsin. As Quakers, we seek to remove the circumstances that foster war, based on our belief there is that of God in everyone. That belief has been shown to turn adversaries into friends, while to prepare for war creates a threat, making enemies of people who might otherwise be our allies.

The nuclear-capable F-35s have been designated a part of the US strategic nuclear bomber force. They can each carry 2 nuclear warheads up to 4 times more powerful than the bombs that destroyed Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which caused hundreds of thousands of deaths. We object to Wisconsin allowing Truax Air National Guard to house these jets and to train pilots to fly them. If the Truax F-35s are given a "nuclear mission", the Air National Guard will become complicit in the nuclear bombing of other nations, and Truax itself will become a military target.

We are also very concerned about the day to day impact of F35 flight operations on the residents of East Madison. According to the draft Air National Guard Environmental Impact Statement released in August 2019, the expansion of the Truax base to accommodate the F-35s will cause increased noise levels. State and local government will bear the cost of much of the relocation of families and soundproofing of homes. Low-income residents in surrounding neighborhoods will have their communities disrupted. Young children and vulnerable adults in homes and schools in the area will be subject to unacceptable noise levels. Residents in the periphery will have to cope with increased flights and noise, and the impact on property values.

There have already been serious threats to water quality in NE Madison due to PFAS contamination from Truax firefighting activities. We fear further contamination of Madison well water by Truax expansion and maintenance of F35's. Those living near Truax will also have to contend with the health effects of air pollution due to increased jet exhaust from F35 "backburner" or auxiliary engine use. Finally, the fossil fuel expended by each F35 flight will contribute significantly to climate change.

We applaud our elected officials who are working to increase diplomacy, and urge all to follow their lead. We are also grateful to members of the Wisconsin National Guard, who work to keep us safe. We honor them with our respect and compassion, but we do not support the use of violence as a means to this end. Our National Guard serves us by offering a range of domestic support services, including disaster relief regionally and nationally, firefighting and water assistance, and help with civilian aircraft issues. By redirecting tax money from the F-35 program, the Guard could supplement these and add other missions including cybersecurity and anti-terrorism work. Every dollar spent on healthcare, education and the environment creates up to 3 times as many jobs as the same amount spent on the military.

In the words of Albert Einstein: "You cannot simultaneously prevent and prepare for war. The very prevention of war requires more faith, courage and resolution than are needed to prepare for war." We urge our elected officials to summon the faith, courage and resolution to reject the F-35 aircraft being located at Truax Field. As members of the Religious Society of Friends, we also advocate for an end to the nuclear capable F-35 program and for US compliance with international treaties to eliminate nuclear weapons. Surely Madison can attract clean energy and other sustainable industry that will create jobs without threatening the health and safety of Madison residents. We wish to see Wisconsin as a force for peace in the nation and the world.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jane Marcks <justjane@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:44 AM
To: All Alders
Subject: Reinforcing my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Paul Baker <pabaker55@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown.

i support the resolution 57364 opposing the f35 operations at truax field

paul baker
4409 mineral point rd
madison 53705

From: Kathryn Thrasher <klthraaher@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:19 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposing resolution

I'm opposing the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing in Madison. We need this base here for our safety and security for our country and home state of Wisconsin. Feeling safe in our country came with the price of blood a little noise will not kill us it's a very small price to pay. The FX planes are much louder no one complains about them . Why?
Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Barbara J Osborn <bjosborn@madison.k12.wi.us>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:20 PM
To: Mary Jo Walters
Cc: All Alders; board@madison.k12.wi.us; county_board_recipients@countyofdane.com; Mayor
Subject: Re: [board] Fwd: F35s not in Madison

Thank you, Mary Jo, for your email. The Board members and Dr. Belmore have received your message.

Sincerely,

Barb Osborn

Secretary to the Board of Education
Madison Metropolitan School District/545 W. Dayton Street/Madison, WI 53703
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On Mon, Sep 16, 2019 at 8:19 AM Mary Jo Walters <waltersmaryjo@gmail.com> wrote:

My address is 2313 Fremont Ave, my children live on the flight line at 137 Corry Street. Please consider a vote against the F-35s when the board members drafts their resolution. And to the alders vote for the Foster resolution unamended. We don't want a watered down resolution.

Thank you,

Mary Jo Walters

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

From: **Mary Jo Walters** <waltersmaryjo@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Sep 13, 2019 at 11:38 AM
Subject: F35s not in Madison
To: <county_board_recipients@countyofdane.com>

We need to stop these F-35s from coming to Madison. The city can't afford to share the skies with these machines. Many people spoke in opposition by citing the EIS repeatedly with facts that the Air force themselves point out in the EIS. A city council that is unified behind this resolution will be a great show of solidarity to Burlington, Vermont and other urban areas that also do not want a beddown of these jets. I live on the eastside of Madison and have to deal with the F16s on a regular basis. It causes much stress and worry about where these jets go after training on our skies. What harm are they designed to cause? Why do they train over an urban area? Where do they dump their fuel?

I attended the Air Force public meeting on September 12th and listened to people on both sides of the issue. The people who were in opposition that cited the EIS and the harm that bringing the F35s here will cause. Those that are for them are also for a strong military and therefore see somehow that having the jets practice our skies is a form of sacrifice that we the people can offer up. Children losing hearing is harmful. But so is the normalizing of jets in skies to all of us, children the most affected it is upsetting. As happens over Lowell Elementary where my youngest son attends. The commercial flights are enough of a distraction and an assault. We should want to see birds are the skies, not jets.

Please support the resolution, especially for our children. I have addressed the Madison School Board, alders, and county board supervisors in this email to bring attention to the resolution that is going before the counsel THIS TUESDAY and to the importance that each member take a stand on this issue as we citizens are being asked to do. Here is a good website that has more information: <https://www.safeskiescleanwaterwi.org/> Hope to see the board members speak on Tuesday.

Thank you to the authors, you heard our voices of asking for a resolution, not just a letter.

Mary Jo Walters
Mother of 3

Eastside/northside resident

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tim Butcher <butchf16@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:21 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: 115 FW

Please support the F-35 program at Truax Field.

Both Mark Pocan and Tammy Baldwin support the F-35, and so should the City of Madison!

Thank you!

Tim Butcher

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Veldran, Lisa

From: bjkastorff@aol.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:22 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Truax air base

I'm writing to all of you alderperson's asking for your support for the Truax Air base. I have lived next to the airfield for 58 years and had no issues whatsoever. The problem I have is that people don't do their homework before purchasing a home in the area. In my opinion to loose this air base would become an economic disaster not only for the City of MADISON as well as the state of Wisconsin. So please support the 115th fighter base in your upcoming vote's.
Thanks Robert Kastorff

From: Obeng, Kwasi
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:31 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Truax National Guard Command Staff available to answer questions

Good afternoon Alders,

Command Staff of the National Guard reached out to the Council Office and stated that they are available to answer questions from alders regarding the F35s and the Environmental Impact Statement.

Lieutenant Colonel Dan Statz 608-327-9266

Lieutenant Colonel Charles Merkel 414-491-7337

They are available any time today until 8p

And tomorrow from 7:30a-4p

Sincerely,

Kwasi K. Obeng, Chief of Staff

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Scott Spencer <scott.spencer708@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:33 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 Basing - Oppose the resolution

All Alders,

I would like you to support the 115th Fighter Wing and F-35 mission. Keeping this fighter wing here in Madison helps the economy of Madison along with so many other benefits outside economics to of our fine city.

Stand up for our military and oppose any resolution that does not support our troops/F-35 mission here in Madison.

Thanks, Scott Spencer

From: Wes Miller <wes.miller@wisconsinaviation.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:33 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Oppose

I wanted to let you know that I, Wes, oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 base here at Madison and I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Wes Miller
Vice President Marketing / Administration



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Veldran, Lisa

From: Wes Miller OBC <wesm@oconomowoc-wi.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:34 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support the 115th fight wing

I wanted to let you know that I, Wes, oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 base here at Madison and I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Oconomowoc Business Center
Wes Miller

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405 E. Forest Street
Oconomowoc, WI 53066

From: Missy Boyd <scottandmissyboyd@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:34 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Base at Truax

Dear Alders of Madison,

Our Truax air base has been around longer than we can remember. The opportunity of having the F-35's at our base in Madison is definitely a positive in many ways, including bringing jobs and more tax payers into the city.

I write this in support of our 115th Fighter Wing and bringing the F-35 mission to Madison!

I ask all of the Madison Alders to oppose the resolution presented, and instead join me and the many others in support of bringing the F-35 mission to Truax.

Thank you!

Melissa & Scott Boyd
East Madison Resident

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jasen Miller <jasen@millertreecare.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:35 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support

I wanted to let you know that I, Wes, oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 base here at Madison and I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Wes Miller

From: obc@oconomowoc-wi.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:36 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support

I wanted to let you know that I, Wes, oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 base here at Madison and I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Weston Miller
Owner of Oconomowoc Business Center

Veldran, Lisa

From: Wes Miller <wmiller262@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:37 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: I Support 135

I wanted to let you know that I, Wes, oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 base here at Madison and I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Wes Miller

From: Wes WisAv <wesm@wisav.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:38 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: I support 135

I wanted to let you know that I, Wes, oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 base here at Madison and I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Weston F. Miller

Veldran, Lisa

From: Brad E. Baranowski <brad.baranowski@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:38 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: no F35s

Hello,

I write in support of the Madison City Council resolution opposing F-35s at Truax Field, File #57364v2.

I support this for a number of reasons:

- there will be a massive increase in noise, air, and water pollution to an already affected area
- our airport will become weaponized and therefore a target for threats
- most importantly the disproportionate displacement of and disruption to impoverished communities of color

Bringing the F35s here will directly affect my home, my family, and the communities that I serve.

I already wrote my alder who has listened to and supports my interests. I am asking the rest of the alders to hear my concerns (even if bringing the F35s does not affect your communities), represent our collective voices, and support the aforementioned resolution.

Thanks kindly,
Brad Baranowski
1817 Vahlen St. 53704

From: Doug Smith <drs551915@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:39 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the 115th Fighter wing and F-35 mission

Hello, I would just like to voice my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.
thank you,
Doug Smith
Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: Walt Stacy <wlstacy@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:40 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35's

I support the F-35's coming to Truax and hope that you will also. While the loud minority, against them coming, has been the loudest I do think that you should listen to the majority who are for them being brought here. I live under there usual flight pattern while landing and watch them with pride when they fly over. Since the Air Force has been at Truax since 1948 I think those living near the airport should have considered that when buying there houses. Also as has been brought up there are other solutions for there sound problem.

The economic impact of them coming here is by far a very important factor also when making your decision. So I hope you take these things into account when making your final decisions.

Thank you ,, Walt Stacy

From: Tom Berman <bermanengraving@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:43 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please do not allow F-35's to destroy our quality of life!

Dear Alderpersons and Mayor Rhodes-Conway,

Please do not allow the F-35's to be based in Madison -
I fear it will destroy the quality of life for the north and east side and beyond.

Simply put, this is not an appropriate site for these aircraft -
the Air Force and National Guard's own report says that over 1000 homes
will be unlivable! If each home has 5 residents, this would displace and ruin
5000 people's lives!

Ruining property values is one thing, but ruining the quality of life for all
of us on the east side is unthinkable and would certainly make Madison
a much less desirable place - think of all the new construction, apartments,
and places of work expanding here - the new Token creek apartments and
homes, the massive projects in the Graaskamp center for industry and progress,
and the encroaching Sun Prairie expansion of many homes and businesses.

I own a home and small home business at 4375 Hoepker Rd,
and have been here for 35 years - it is truly a paradise with Cherokee Marsh adjacent, Sandhill crane nests and
abundant wildlife.

The field directly next to me is the main approach for the airport!
So I speak with authority about noise conditions as I'm always here -
we love the airport and the air traffic as it is picturesque and quiet
as they come in to land. On the rare occasions when commercial airplanes
take off our way, it is not a problem and the noise level is low -
this is why I take issue with attorney William White's comment in Isthmus:
"What's the difference between the F-35's and a commercial airliner?"
I'll tell you what's the difference Mr. White - the current F-16's are at least
10 times louder than any commercial airliner!
They are the only aircraft that regularly take off our way, and they are
loud enough to completely disrupt our conversations, business, and brains -
they usually take off in groups of 5 so it can take a lot of time before the
terrible noise pollution abates. Commercial airliners taking off are almost
unnoticeable compared to the F-16's.
And the F-35's are FOUR times louder than the F-16's according to the EIS!!

The arguments regarding the financial benefits are totally specious -
the economic benefits from Truax will continue without the F-35's.
Also, is it worth ruining our town and environment for money?
Don't we have a huge economic benefits from the UW, Exact Sciences,
Epic, Amfam etc.?
Would we want to welcome gun manufacturing, fracking for natural gas, etc.,
just because we could get more money?
With this population density, this is not an appropriate place for these aircraft!
OUR QUALITY OF LIFE IN MADISON IS PRICELESS!

Finally, the moral argument -

“The F-35 program is the worst example of excess and waste of the military-industrial complex”

That is not a quote from a liberal left wing Madisonian, it is a quote from Republican Senator John McCain.

These obscenely expensive aircraft are a total waste of our tax money, and are unusable against the real threats of domestic terrorism and cyber attacks.

They are only good for bombing and killing innocent people around the world, not for winning war - for example the bombing for 18 years in Afghanistan with so much loss of life and treasure only to have a stalemate and no end in sight.

They are only good for fattening the wallets of the war profiteers.

So I am asking you to think of your fellow north and east Madisonians, Think of how you would feel to have your lives impacted by incessant noise, and do everything in your power to stop the basing of the F-35's here!

Sincerely, Tom Berman

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Lisa Roth <lroth42@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:45 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Resolution

I am contacting you to respond to the proposed F-35 basing resolution...I OPPOSE this resolution and I SUPPORT the 115th Fighter Wing ,the F-35 mission and our men/women in the military!!

I live in Verona and your actions could impact the region, state and our nation.

Please THINK about what you are doing

Yours,

Lisa A Roth

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sven Ole <sjerome1954@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 1:55 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 Basing Project

Dear Alders

I ask you to please support the F35 Basing Project at Truax Field. The F16's have long been a part of our community and I do recall that Dane County has offered and some neighbors did accept payments for aviation easements due to the proximity to the runways. I also recall that a study showed that there was no economic depreciation to the housing stock due to the proximity to the airport. I am not bothered by the flights and to lose the project would be a sad state of affairs.

Thanks for listening.

Jerry Lund
222 E Dean Ave
Madison
District 15

From: Mike Moore <Mike.Moore@m3ins.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:01 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Basing at Truax

- I am speaking in favor of basing the F-35 at Truax Field.
- I am a lifelong area resident, and am an owner of a business in Madison, both my home and business are along the flight paths of civilian and military aircraft.
- To my knowledge our local elected officials, the Mayor's office, Dane County Executive's Office, nor the Governor's office are standing in opposition to this basing.
 - o Madison recently benefited from the 115th fire services at a recent MG&E explosion.
 - o Dane County's airport emergency fire services are 100% provided by the 115th. (Side note, the discussion of PFAS while important to all of us, is NOT an Air National Guard issue alone. Had the base not been here, Dane County would most likely have used the same fire retardant materials as prescribed by FAA guidance and common practices at that time.
 - o Our state frequently benefits from the disaster recovery efforts of the 115th, most recently from storms in Northern and Central WI, and flooding in Madison.
 - o Not to mention the praise that the 115th gets from the active duty air force component in augmenting the federal mission.
- I have had an opportunity during this process to speak with both Sen. Baldwin and Rep. Pocan our elected Federal Officials and they have communicated their support for the basing of the F-35 here.
- In regards to the EIS, it points out that this is the most cost effective basing of any considered due to the proximity of Volk Field and the training space provided here.
 - o Northern Lightning is the largest exercise outside of "Red Flag" at Nellis AFB, and is responsible for training both active and reserve components for their Federal mission 2x a year!
 - o I have personally heard from high level leaders from the active component that the 115th and Volk Field provide the best training they receive.
- The fact is that the EIS figures reflect the highest possible level in each category, which is not a true indication of the actual impacts.
 - o It does not account for deployments (7 in the past 13 years.)
 - o It does not take into account that historically 20% of the flights take off and land away from Truax Field.
 - o It does not take into consideration the decreased flight time for the F-35 due to more use of simulator training.
- In following the oppositions social media, and attending events where they have spoken, their discussions have revolved around more general anti-military rhetoric and in most cases are void of relevant, credible, or factual data.
 - o I believe this discussion should deal with facts of the F-35 basing, not regarding views of our government, our elected officials, or the military in general.
- Noise has been the largest discussion amongst those opposing the basing.
- It should be noted that most noise contour maps show all F-16 flights in afterburner, which only happens 60% of the time.
- A 2016 Netherlands study shows that noise level differences are minor, with measurement peaks of 109 db for the F-35 and 112db for the F-16 near Leeuwarden Air Base.
 - o More accurate studies like these should be done to further clarify the EIS conclusions.
- All that being said, for the past 70 years, Madison has been able to work with the Air Force in co-existing with our community.
 - o I am confident that the 115th will work as it always has to mitigate any impact to the community be it environmental or other.
- The 115th are our neighbors and have been for 70 years.
 - o 1293 jobs
 - o 100 million in economic impact annually
 - o Safety and recovery resources
 - o Tuition assistance for education
 - o A viable and affordable local airport which with the work of the Madison Chamber continues to bring in new direct flights and businesses to one of the fastest growing technology communities in the US.

- The F-35 belongs here, in Madison.

Michael J. Moore

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From: Rick Soletski <dpenguin@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:06 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: Resolution by Alders Grant Foster, Rebecca Kemble, Marsha A. Rummel, Patrick W. Heck, Tag Evers and Syed Abbas opposing the beddown of F35s at Truax Field

The Honorable Mayor of Madison

Honorable Alders of the City of Madison

I support the resolution by Alders Grant Foster, Rebecca Kemble, Marsha A. Rummel, Patrick W. Heck, Tag Evers and Syed Abbas opposing the beddown of F35s at Truax Field. I oppose any alternate resolution that weakens or dilutes this message.

I live at ground zero in the area of Madison that would be deemed incompatible with residential habitation due to the increased sound levels, along with 132 other households and 292 of my neighbors.

I bought my house in 1990 and yes, I realized it was close to the airport. We have already lived with increased noise from commercial air traffic and the transition from A10s to F16s and not complained. This increase in un-muzzled, increased military traffic will make my home unlivable, as detailed by the Air Force's own study.

I attended the open house held by the Wisconsin National Guard and I have to say I was disappointed by the positions of some of my fellow Madisonians. Their descriptions of the concerns of people directly affected by the increased noise pollution was demeaning, misleading and condescending.

The unholy alliance of the Chamber of Commerce and unions cherry picked and exaggerated the benefits while pooh poohing the costs and concerns of the neighbors affected.

During the course of the meeting the jobs created were described as 64, hundreds and later someone claimed thousands. Talk about the loaves and the fishes effect.

I EXPECT since the Director of the Chamber is so in favor of this as a benefit to the City he will donate the windfall that the Chamber received from selling their office building at a price way above the assessed and the appraised value to the county for the Beacon Center. Over \$750,000 would help those of us with plummeting home values and moving expenses.

The CoC Director and a representative of a WNG booster group appeared on a recent Sunday talk show. I have never heard so many weasel words in one half hour in my life. There "may" be mitigation benefits for the affected area, like more sound proof windows and doors. Yeah, I can take "maybe" to the bank. And are we supposed to be shut-ins deprived of the enjoyment of our yards, patios and decks?

The union members who packed the Alliant center wearing the swag and caps from the pro F35 group could volunteer to help 300 people move out of Madison. Will they be there?

If the beddown in Madison is approved, I will follow up with the city about lowering our tax assessments for properties that have drastically lost value, if they are sellable at all. Since the EIS came out, sellers and realtors would be liable for disclosing that the noise and flights will dramatically increase.

I will also look to the city and county for assistance in working with the FAA on buyout offers for the home and property owners.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments and support for the strong resolution.

Richard Soletski

3322 Quincy Av

Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: bittrick.huston@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for F35

I support the 115FW getting the F35. I am currently a member of the 115FW and understand the positive impact gaining the new aircraft would have with our WI community. Again, I'm 100 percent for the 115FW gaining the F35 aircraft.

Melissa Huston

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bonnie Busch <bbusch@fairwaymc.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:11 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission

Importance: High

Reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission!!



Bonnie Busch
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Veldran, Lisa

From: Kerry Kretchmar <kerrykretchmar@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:12 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Please support the resolution in opposition to F35s

I am an East Side resident of Madison. I strongly oppose the F35A fighter jets coming to Madison and urge you to vote in support of the resolution to oppose the F35s. I'm concerned about the noise impact on Madison citizens, and particularly children and schools. I'm concerned about the 1000 homes that will be uninhabitable, and the fact that this disproportionately impacts communities of color and communities in poverty. Please pass the resolution to oppose this.

Thank you for your service,

Kerry Kretchmar
3234 Oakridge Ave, Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Peter Stebbins <peters@fairwaymc.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:13 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-135 Fighter Wing-F-35 Misson

First I'm opposing the resolution that opposes the F-35 being based at Truax Field. Secondly I'm asking you to reinforce your support of the F-135 Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. By doing this you'll be helping the City of Madison greatly. Thank you,
Peter Stebbins

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Sherri Anderson <sherri.anderson@fairwaymc.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:14 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for the F35 Base

Dear Madison Alders!

This email is a request to please:

- 1) Oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing
- 2) Reinforce your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission

Thank you so much!!

Very proud American
Sherri

Veldran, Lisa

From: Debra Allen <debyallen9@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:17 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution Opposing the F-35 Basing

I am strongly AGAINST the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and SUPPORT and support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Debra Allen

Veldran, Lisa

From: Theresa Huebner <theresa.huebner@fairwaymc.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:17 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposition to resolution opposing the F-35 base

I support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. My sister is an air force veteran and I know the hard work that goes on at the Truax field. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Theresa Huebner

Veldran, Lisa

From: Stacey Schaefer <reporting@cityofmadison.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the resolution to oppose the F-35 fighter jets.

General Information

Name: Stacey Schaefer
Address: 306 N Whitney Way
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53705
Phone: 608-658-0929
Work Phone:
Email:
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Hello,

I study health and well-being in Americans as they age. From everything I've learned in my and others' research, I truly believe that F-35 fighter jets would cause significant detrimental impacts through noise pollution. This noise pollution would most greatly impact communities of color and lower socioeconomic status. Noise pollution is linked to poorer health, poorer sleep, higher levels of stress, and other negative outcomes. No one should have to live with it. Please oppose the F-35 fighter jets and increased military flights around our city. We do NOT want them. They will not be good for our community.

Recipient:

All Alders

From: Linda Kuklinski <lmkuklinski@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: 115th Fighter Wing - F35 Selection

I am a individual working in City of Madison, Dane County. Please note that I strongly

- (1) **Oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and**
- (2) **Reinforce my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission**

Linda Kuklinski
Jefferson, WI
lmkuklinski@gmail.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: jude leimer <leimerjude@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:22 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 fighter jets at Truax field

Dear Madison alders,

I am writing in opposition to locating F-35 fighter jets at Truax field. As has been clearly laid out in resolution 57364, there are many reasons these jets do not belong in Madison. I fully support resolution 57364 and urge you to vote for it.

I have lived on the eastside of Madison since 1979, and I find the F-16s already stationed here produce a nearly unbearable amount of noise when they fly over. Please look carefully at the people who are in favor of the F-35s in Madison--are they the people who will be adversely affected? If the jets are located here, the people most negatively affected will be vulnerable populations--low income, the elderly, children, etc. Again.

How can you justify subjecting any Madison residents to this morally and environmentally questionable, pollution-causing (certainly noise pollution) plan?
Please support resolution 57364.

Sincerely,

Judith Leimer
2425 Willard Ave.
Madison
608-249-5346

From: JAKE SCOTT <fastmyrland@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:23 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Support

I support the new F-35 program coming to Madison. Born and raised here, working in the Emergency Services Sector for 19 years, and working near the Capitol I have 100% support for these new fighters to be in Madison. It is unfortunate that a small sector of individuals will be disrupted by this new technology but this is a change for us to grow, learn and be better protected as we do.

Thank you for choosing to read this and your support of the new F-35's and our emergency services as a whole. When you need help they are always there to answer, doesn't matter what the situation is, who you are or where you are at, someone is willing to leave their safety to second protect yours.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sam Wayne <samwayne@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:24 PM
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Re: Please OPPOSE the F-35 basing in Madison

Agreed. Please oppose the harmful development of the destructive, poisonous, and disruptive war machine in our backyard. This is not who we are as Madisonians and we do not have to allow it because of jingoistic ra ra military nationalism.

Thank you,

Sam Wayne
4814 Onyx Ln.

On Mon, Sep 16, 2019 at 11:19 AM Rachel Wilberding <rachelwilberding@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Madison Alders:

I am writing to ask that you PASS the resolution OPPOSING the basing of the F-35 jets here in Madison. The noise impacts to the north and east sides of the city are NOT worth the 65 jobs that will be created. As you well know, the neighborhoods most affected would be some of Madison's most economic and racially diverse. One could reasonably assume that most properties on the north, east and far east sides of Madison would see increased noise levels that could detrimentally impact quality of life and property values in these areas.

Given our city's issues with economic and racial diversity as well as our dearth of affordable housing, the F-35s are NOT a good choice for Madison.

Please vote to OPPOSE bringing these planes to Madison.

Sincerely,
Rachel Wilberding
[4814 Onyx Lane.](#)

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Sam Wayne
samwayne@gmail.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bonnie Busch <bbusch@fairwaymc.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:26 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: 'badgerair@gmail.com'
Subject: RE: Reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission

Reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission!!



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WI License Number 2289

From: Bonnie Busch
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:11 PM
To: 'allalders@cityofmadison.com' <allalders@cityofmadison.com>
Subject: Reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission
Importance: High

Reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission!!





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Veldran, Lisa

From: Beth J Boeing <beth@goldendragonblessings.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:30 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Vote.. no...no F35A Jets at Truax

The East and Central areas of Madison are already way too noisy!!!! Vote no...oppose F35A Jets at Truax.

Thank you & very best,
Beth

Beth J Boeing,
Owner/resident
189 Dixon St
17 yr resident owner
822/824 E Gorham

From: Ryan Beard <rcbeard1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:30 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support F-35 basing at KMSN
Attachments: Screenshot_20190916-134407(1).png

To Whom It May Concern:

Please support the basing of F-35s in Madison. The proposed resolution opposing basing the F-35s here is short-sighted and (judging by several comments by those in favor of it) misguidedly motivated.

As you consider this resolution, please keep in mind that the U.S. government is committed to the F-35. Any arguments which support the resolution based upon opposition to the cost of the F-35 program, or opposition to another "war machine" are completely irrelevant. The F-35 program will go on whether or not they are based here.

The real issue at hand is what is in the best interest of the citizens of Madison and, even greater, the rest of Wisconsin too.

There is a tremendous economic benefit locally by having the 115th Fighter Wing here. Supporting the modernization of the Wing with a modern airframe provides long-term security for the Wing, and thus long term security for the economic benefit it provides us.

The only relevant argument against supporting basing F-35s here is based upon the difference between the noise signature of F-16s currently based here and that of the newer F-35s. The Air Force prepared an environmental impact study which stated that "an additional 1,019 households near the airport will be exposed to a 65-decibel noise level." How bad/loud is 65 decibels? Although Rep. Chris Taylor, (D-Madison) was quoted as saying "If you're standing two or three feet from me, you can't hear me if I'm shouting," he is clearly misinformed about noise levels. A simple internet search will find that 65 decibels is perceived as somewhere between normal conversation and a washing machine or vacuum cleaner. (I have attached a screenshot of a sound chart for reference.)

Yes, there will be jet noise, but this is an old and tired argument. The vast majority, if not all, of residents living close to the airport moved there after the airport was there. They chose to move there, and have benefited for years from lower rent and real estate costs as a result of proximity to flight paths.

This is simply a decision of what is in the best interest of our state as a whole.

It is unreasonable and unacceptable to risk tens if not hundreds of millions of dollars of long-term economic benefit to our state by opposing modernization of the 115th Fighter Wing with F-35s simply to appease a very small percentage of our population who has made a willing choice to live near the airport.

Please take these comments into consideration and support our state by opposing the resolution against basing F-35s here.

Respectfully,
Ryan Beard

NOISE-INDUCED HEARING LOSS

Know the Risk



Time to reach daily exposure limit

	dB	No earplugs	
Jackhammer	130	< 1 second	90 seconds
Ambulance siren	120	7 seconds	<12 minutes
Rock Concert	121		
Marching Band	115	< 30 seconds	<48 minutes
Chain saw/Jet ski	110	< 90 seconds	2.5 hours
Drumline	110		
Loud sporting event	106	< 4 minutes	7.0 hours
Concert Band	106		
Snowmobile	100	15 minutes	SAFE
Symphony	100		
Motorcycle/Subway	94	1 hour	SAFE
Orchestra Pit	94		

For every 3 dB over 85 dB, safe exposure time is reduced by half.

Example:

85 dB 8 hours

88 dB 4 hours

91 dB 2 hours

From: Britt Browning <britt.d.browning@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:31 PM
To: Abbas, Syed
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Oppose F-35s

Hi Syed,

My family and I have been living on the Northside for three years now. I mostly love my neighborhood, aside from the horrendous fighter-jet noise.

This picture was taken in the fall of 2017. My son was then three years old, and we'd been living in Sheridan Triangle for a year. We were playing at Brentwood Park, and as the squadron passed, he ran toward a tree and covered his ears to shelter himself. I now have a daughter as well, who does the same thing...after YEARS of exposure to the noise.

My children are fearful of these jets. As an adult who has hearing loss, the jets are loud. I cannot imagine how children and pets perceive this noise. The environmental impact statements show the Sheridan Triangle neighborhood just outside the most affected area, but I am certain we will experience deteriorated quality of life should the F35's come to Madison. I believe in a strong military, but I do not believe the 60 jobs are worth terrorizing children and pets. I believe the Northside is on a trajectory such that we can create 60 jobs that do not disrupt citizen's quality of life, sense of security, and environmental conditions.

Proponents argue that noise only lasts approximately 3 minutes. On myriad occasions, such as that day at Brentwood, I can spend 10-20 minutes consoling my children. When the jets fly at night, they wake in fear, and I can spend an hour or more consoling them. The disruption to our lives has never lasted only three minutes.

Moreover, I find it disheartening that Madison would knowingly disenfranchise an economically disadvantaged/racially diverse area. I thought we as a city were beyond that, but the fact that making homes of economically disadvantaged and nonwhite people shows that Madison is willing to disenfranchise it's citizens. It is disturbing that so few people received the blue postcard from the city outlining the informational meeting dates and times.

Please oppose the F35s in Madison. I feel our quality of life on the Northside depends on it. Please do not vote to disenfranchise our most vulnerable populations.

Your constituent,

Brittany Browning



Veldran, Lisa

From: John Adsit <John@readye.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:38 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 issue

Dear Alders,

I wish to express that I fully support our military operations of the 115th Fighter Wing in Madison. And that I oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.

I think it would be a shame if Wisconsin lost this military operation.

Thank you,
John Adsit

From: Brenda Engelman <bengelman@slhosp.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:38 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Urgent attention 115th Fighter Wing F-35's at Truax

Attention Madison Adlers:

I fully support the F35s and our men & women in uniform. I am a resident of 25 years 6 miles from Truax and enjoy ALL the planes, F15s and hope to have F35s. And yes noise has changed over the years due to our city of Madison growing in population and air traffic with msn. We need to keep our skies safe and the economic impact is substantial. With 1,264 permanent jobs, 400 construction jobs, and generate \$100 million in annual economic impact. Keep Truax alive!



Brenda Engelman, CMP

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From: Ryan Marschall <madhops6934@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:40 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's in Madison

Hello,

I'm writing this to tell you that as a life long resident of the Madison area, I have lived with military jets flying overhead for as long as i can remember. After recently hearing there was a resolution to stop the new generation F-35's from being station in Madison, I was shocked. Why wouldn't a city not want something that is the best in the world being stationed here? Is certainly isn't the noise (that has been around forever), it certainly isn't any sort of environmental issues (also been similar for a long time)... No, it is a protest by a small group of people that want to make big noise. I for one am sick of protestors crying everything something doesn't go their way. The 115th fighter wing is an important part of the Madison community. The F-35 represents innovation and the best the U.S.A has to offer. We should be proud that we were selected as a community.

Remember that you have the responsibility to do what is right for the collective population. Not just for the loudest group of people who want to protest everything. I see posts all the time of people who just want to complain about the military and police. The same military and police that are here to defend us both home and abroad. You have the ability to do what is right which is keep the F-35s and fight for the 115th fighter wing which would do everything for us in the name of freedom.

I hope you will do the right thing or i feel sad for where this city is headed with the hecklers veto and a small group of protestors dictating what is best for our great community.

Thanks,
Ryan Marschall

Veldran, Lisa

From: Doug A. Smith <dasmith@kollegetown.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:40 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F 35

I am a supporter of the 115th Fighter Wing getting the F-35 and oppose the Madison Common Council Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing!

Doug Smith

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From: Todd Sahr <tsahr@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:40 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: f 35 fighter jets

I believe it is imperative for you to support the fighter wing. Too many people are counting on you to do the right thing and keep good paying jobs right here in this area. Right now we are the northern defense sector and to see that be taken away because of a few people making inaccurate remarks about the new fighter planes is unacceptable. Do the right thing and keep local people employed and support our military.

Thanks for your time,

Todd Sahr
Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

From: Paul Nelson <reporting@cityofmadison.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:41 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 fighter jets

General Information

Name: Paul Nelson
Address: 1805 Spaight Street
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53704
Phone:
Work Phone:
Email:
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Please vote FOR the resolution opposing the locating of these jets in Madison. I was initially supportive, but after reading the draft EIS, I believe the negative impacts on north and east side neighborhoods, particular upon low income and minority residents, outweighs the benefits.

Please vote FOR the resolution to oppose the location of these aircraft in Madison.

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Barbara J Osborn <bjosborn@madison.k12.wi.us>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:42 PM
To: MadisonAirInspector@gmail.com
Cc: Mayor; All Alders; Board; county_board_recipients@countyofdane.com
Subject: Re: [board] TRUAX F-35's - OPPOSED

Thank you, Martine, for your email. The Board members and Dr. Belmore have received your message.

Sincerely,

Barb Osborn

Secretary to the Board of Education
Madison Metropolitan School District/545 W. Dayton Street/Madison, WI 53703
Phone: (608) 663-1659/Fax: (608) 204-0341

On Sun, Sep 15, 2019 at 2:37 PM M. Davis <samsaramadison@gmail.com> wrote:

I used to live on the East side of Madison and moved to the Northside to get away from the unbearable noise from the F-16's going over my house several times a day. This interfered with my business in that I could not take client calls between certain hours when the F16's were flying overhead. The noise was deafening, the house rattled, customers could not hear me on the phone and I could not hear them. I am - for obvious reasons - strongly opposed to the siting of the F35's at Truax. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Martine Davis
Blaine Dr
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: brett richman <5questcy@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:49 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

As a family resident on the east side of Madison since 1955, we are firmly FOR bringing the F35s to Madison.

Brett Richman
54 Bradford Lane
Madison, WI. 53714

From: Tamara Carroll <tamarac@wisav.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:56 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for the F35 Fighter Wing at Truax

I would like to reach out to you as one of the managers of a local business that supports the F-35 Fighter Wing being based at Truax Field. I support the basing of the F35s, as the airport is provided fire protection by the military based at MSN. If the F-16 program is shut down, and we do not have the F-35 program to replace it, the risk is there that Truax Field would be shut down, and that the Airport would have to provide its own funding for fire protection. Fire protection is definitely a benefit that must be taken into account.

Another benefit is the boost to the economy of the area. The number of employees that the F35 program brings in is high, and all of those new residents will spend money in this area.

The aircraft coming to Truax Field is not limited to the F-16s, nor will it be limited to the F-35s. Our business is able to provide fueling to all of the other aircraft flying into MSN. This helps our bottom line and enables our local business to provide more jobs in the Madison area as well.

We must support our military. Some people are stating that they seriously doubt whether their security will be compromised if we do not bring the F-35s to this field. We must ask ourselves this: If everyone in the U.S. made the same statement, and the Alders in those areas went along with this notion, there would be no security anywhere in the U.S. Our military members are some of the finest people in the U.S. with great work ethic, a willingness to help others, and a commitment to our safety. We must support them.

The truth is, these jets take off in seconds. I cannot even make it to a window to watch them take off before they are gone! The fact that we are even considering giving up the financial benefits of having them here, versus listening to a few twenty to thirty second intervals of noise per day, is not a wise decision.

In May of this year, I moved into this area. I *wanted* to buy a house right near the airport upon moving here because I *wanted* to have jets taking off over my house every day. There was just one house for sale near the airport which already had an offer, and I was unable to move near the airport where I wanted to be. Apparently no one wanted to sell their house near the airport. Dane County Airport has been around for a good number of years.... since 1938 precisely. We must ask ourselves why people would buy a house near the airport if they do not like the sound of jets flying over their house.

Tamara Carroll

Accounting Manager

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Veldran, Lisa

From: randersn <randersn@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:57 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35's at Truax

I support having F35 fighters at Truax.

Thanks.

Roger Anderson
549 Galileo Dr
Madison WI

Sent from my U.S.Cellular© Smartphone

From: Steve Rudolph <advslr@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:58 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 Jets

General Information

Name: Steve Rudolph
Address: 2150 E Main
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53704
Phone: 608-242-0949
Work Phone: 608-242-0949
Email: advslr@charter.net
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Please support the measure opposing those F35 Jet Fighters at Truax Field. "Dozens of jobs" doesn't take the place of creating a terrible situation for thousands of Madison citizens who live in the immediate and nearby areas. Put the people ahead of the planes. And don't listen to the jingoists/militarists who call the noise these planes will make "the sound of freedom". That's BS, plain and simple. Support the Measure.

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: dirobcats01 <dirobcats01@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:00 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35

To Madison City Council members:

Please reconsider your possible resolution that does NOT support the selection of Truax field as a preferred location for the F-35. I believe that it IS Madison's best interests to support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F35 mission. I have spent 40 years of my life living on Madison's east side on Myrtle street. I do not believe that allowing the F35'S to base there will be remotely close to the nay sayers that predict they will be a noise problem. Please do not do anything that may affect Madison getting the privilege of basing such a magnificent piece of the future.

Thank you for your time.
Rob Jensen

Sent from my U.S. Cellular® Smartphone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dennis Skaanning <drskaanning@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:02 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Deployment of F 35s

To whom it may concern,

The purpose of this email is to voice my support in the deployment of the F 35's to Truax field. I believe this is a wise decision both for the city of Madison and for our country. Please support this deployment!

Sincerely,

Dennis Skaanning

Sent from my iPhone

From: Duane Peterson <duane.peterson48@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:03 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

I am in favor of the F-35's. The city of Madison should be honored that Truax Field was selected out of all the possible places across the United States. I gave 36 years of my life to the Air force, 32 of those years were full time at Truax as a Crew Chief. The sacrifices we made to prove that the Wisconsin Air National Guard was the best unit in the nation has been recognized and is now going to be rewarded with brand new state of the art aircraft.
It would be a shame if a very small group of people ruined it for the whole community.

From: John McCoy <2015johnmccoy@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:07 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose Resolution re:F-35

I fully support the mission of the 115 Fighter Wing in Madison and the modernization of the unit through transition from their current F-16s to the F-35. The unit provides a vital local connection to the military. Some may prefer to base aircraft far from local communities but that only further removes Americans from our required national defense.

When I hear the jets takeoff and land, I am willing to reflect for a few moments on the significant sacrifice our military makes on our behalf. The sound is no more annoying than a cement truck or police siren - both of which are also necessary parts of living in a community.

I oppose the misguided Madison resolution against the future F-35 basing at Dane County Airport. I live, work, and pay significant taxes in Madison.

Thank you for your consideration.

John McCoy

From: Gary Pelletier <info@eastsidecoinlaundry.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:07 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Support

I heard today that the City of Madison is considering a resolution to oppose the F-35 basing. As a business owner in Madison I urge you not to support this resolution. The economic impact that Truax Field provides to our community is needed to help keep businesses open. We already lost Oscar Mayer, we can't afford to lose another longtime business.

Please DO NOT support this resolution!

Gary Pelletier
Eastside Coin Laundry
4921 Commercial Ave
Madison, WI 53704
608-204-0095

From: Jessica Lila <birdylila@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:08 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 fighter jets

General Information

Name: Jessica Lila
Address: 208 Rethke Ave
City: Madison
State: wi
ZIP: 53714
Phone: 715-252-8344
Work Phone:
Email: birdylila@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Good afternoon,

I am writing you to ask for you to support the resolution to oppose the F-35 fighter jets proposed to fly over my neighborhood. The amount of air traffic in the neighborhood already reduces quality of living by the amount of noise pollution created. While everyone in the neighborhood will be effected, children, pets, the elderly, our vets and others experiencing PTSD can have very severe negative reactions to the ear-splitting, loud, and violent noises. The sounds are too close to living near a war zone. Madison's east and north side wildlife will also be negatively effected by the additional noise pollution, as they can become startled, disoriented and flea from their nests and homes never to return, or similar to our dear pets, run into traffic and be struck by a vehicle. The overall quality of life on Madison's east and north sides will as a whole be negatively effected if you do not support the resolution to oppose the F-35 fighter jets. And let's be straight about this, it's only because the East and North sides of Madison are disproportionately low-income, and families of color that this is being proposed. It would never be allowed to happen over Mansion Hill, the UW hospital, or the University, nor the more affluent West side. Please stand up for those who are so severely underrepresented. Stand in support of the opposition to the F-35 fighter jets,

I value and appreciate your time. Thank you.

Kind Regards,
Jessica Lila

Recipient:
All Alders

From: John and Kay Reilly <jreilly6@twc.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:10 PM
To: All Alders; 'badgerair@gmail.com'
Subject: F35's at Truax Field

I have become aware that there is some resistance to stationing the new F-35's at Truax Field in the near future. I am an Army veteran and am in strong support of stationing these aircraft at Truax.

In today's world political and military climate it is essential that this country be ready to defend itself from all means of aggression be it naval, ground or in this case air. Eighteen years ago this country was not prepared for the attack on the twin towers and we were literally in a panic. We could not have conceived of this happening to us, but it did. We need to have the latest and best weapons available to us to face any threat thrown at us. Having the F-35's stationed at Truax field provides the Midwest that protection. Whether it is to oppose an enemy aircraft or God forbid another hijacked airliner the F-35's need to be here.

The argument that the F-35's will be major noise polluters is specious because there are sirens of firetrucks and police cars that make just as much noise or more. Also these sounds are much more frequent than the sounds from the F-35's that will be taking off from Truax on training flights.

The people of Madison also need to be aware of the economic value these new aircraft will bring to the area. This means that the 115th Fighter Squadron will be at Truax for a long time since they are flying one of the United States front line aircraft. This means that the members and families of the 115th will be shopping at Madison area stores, attending Madison area Schools and paying taxes into the city county and state.

Do not allow a few vocal opponents to this update of F-35's into Truax Field to stampede you into opposing this move.

Sincerely Yours

John W Reilly
Major USAR (Ret.)

From: Gabriel LaPierre <gabe.lapierre@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:10 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Please don't vote against F35s

All Concerned,

I grew up on the East side and I have experienced rattling windows and brief delays in conversations.

I have also recently been present on a base when both F35s and F16s took off over our heads multiple times, and could discern no difference in volume.

These jets are loud and I don't disagree the noise is momentarily a nuisance, but the cost to Madison to ban them is too high.

Consider all of the jets leaving, and what the impact on jobs would be. Consider Truax airfield shut down. If you ban placement of F35s, do not assume that F16s will remain. There is no guarantee of any Wing size element in that space without F35s.

Please oppose the ban of F35s. Work with Air Force leaders to discern if noise mitigation can be achieved. Petition leaders to limit afterburners or find alternatives that limit noise as opposed to risking the base being closed, because that may very well be the consequences of voting to prevent the F35s from coming to Madison.

Very Respectfully,

Gabe LaPierre

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dennis O'Loughlin <dosonow2005@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 inMadison

I am in the flight path for runway
18-36 at Truax for 75% of all TO's
And landings. The noise factor is
slight and a welcome reminder of the economic value to our community.
In addition the fire protection that is provided to our city and County is at no cost to the taxpayers.
The Noise Abatement policy is
Strictly enforced and lessens interference to the community .
Please reject the proposal to Stop the F-35 from being assigned to Truax Field.
Your vote is being watched by your silent neighbors.
Dennis O'Loughlin
608-225-6562

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: George Gialamas <george@gialamas.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:11 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Please support The F-35. It's important for the economic development of our fine city.
George Gialamas

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jan Eddy <janeddy50@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:12 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 Mission support

I oppose the resolution which opposes the F35 Mission at Truax. Wisconsin economy needs those jobs!

Please support the F35's at Truax.


Thank you

From: David Gegenhuber <pipman317@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:13 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: F-35 at Truax

The primary duty of our government, from the City Council to Congress to the Oval Office, is to provide for the common good, or as the Constitution states, promote the general welfare. The balance must not be solely weighed by financial or political influence. We are a city of hundreds of thousands of residents with a strong financial backbone. Though a project may provide an determined number of jobs, whether projected or realistic, and perhaps provide a benefit by slight increase to a handful of businesses, this should not outweigh the negative effect on perhaps tens of thousands of Madison citizens.

The F-35 project has had a long history of miscalculation and failure long before Madison was considered as a base of operations. Many in the military community have gone so far as calling it a dangerous aircraft. Considerations of environmental and noise studies are not enough to determine the real potential impact to our community. When asking our citizens to consider this project be based in our community, you are asking your citizens to accept the potential danger they may feel knowing the documented potential F-35 hazard that will fly over their heads every single day.

Do your duty for the common good and safety and welfare of all Madison citizens and say no to the F-35 project at Truax Field.

 Virus-free. www.avast.com

From: voich77@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:17 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 opposition

Please approve the common council resolution to oppose the F35s coming to Madison.

I am an east sider of 30 years who will be greatly impacted by the noise if they come. The F16 s are already too intense. Many of my neighbors and myself are considering relocation due to the noise level if the F35s come.

We love our neighborhood so much. This would be an incredible loss for each of us. Everyone in my neighborhood who I have talked with is against the f35 coming here. My concerns are also for the children residents and students in the over 5 schools in close proximity of the airport plus the residents who will have to move. The moving is unacceptable plus there is no clear path in reimbursement and where will these people move?

Madison is way too residential to be considered for the f35.

Please support your alder resolution to oppose the f35.

Jen Voichick
Sent from my iPhone

From: Richard Hanson <richardmhanson@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:17 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Request for Madison City Council to Support the 115th FW Upgrading to the F-35 Aircraft

Dear Madison City Council Alders:

It is my honor and privilege to offer my opinion for the City of Madison Council to fully support the rare and hard earned opportunity for our Madison 115th Fighter Wing to upgrade to the F-35 Airframe.

In short, in these current times of unpleasant political hyperbole and amplified animosity among neighbors with different views, I am hoping calm reasoning and forward looking ideals will NOT squander such a step forward for the thousands of citizens in our part of the state that serve in uniform (full or part-time). The competition to advance to this stage for Madison's Air Wing has been due to a concerted effort by all. The alternate of not supporting this proposal actually lessens the future stability of the many people involved in the Wisconsin National Guard due to aging-out of certain aircraft missions.

If I may offer on a personal level, the 115th Fighter Wing has propelled this once mediocre LaFollette High School student to complete 2 Electronics Associate Degrees and a Bachelors of Science in Computer Science; Support my nation and state for over 38 years; The unit also trains and employs 1 daughter in Health Services and financially aided her graduating from the UW Madison; My status also allowed me to pass along my educational benefits to another daughter to receive her UW Madison degree in Environmental Sciences.

There are innumerable other stories similar to mine because of Madison hosting a forward thinking, publicly conscientious organization such as the 115th Fighter Wing. Please consider all of those families and young women and men as you contemplate this scenario.

Thank you all for the opportunity to voice my families opinion, and that of others I personally know but may not get a chance to offer their dialog in this time frame.

SMSgt Richard Hanson USAF (Retired)

From: Ellen Krenke <house_of_krenke@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:17 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Together Truax
Subject: We support the F-35 mission

To the Madison city alders: We are writing to let you know that we oppose the resolution that has been written in opposition to the F-35 basing here in Madison.

My husband and I are both Air Force veterans, and we moved here after retirement because we believed Madison to be a military friendly community.

We support the 115th Fighter Wing. They deserve this mission. They are well-trained and ready to do this mission. Our nation depends on them. And whether you believe it or not, you need them too!

V/R, Lt. Col. Ellen G. Krenke, retired
MSgt Robert J. Krenke, retired

From: Samuel Marks <sdmarks2@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:20 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: F-35 Vote

Dear Mayor Satya and Madison Alders,

I am a member of the Madison community where I am raising my family while attending graduate school at UW.

I encourage you all to consider the effects that the F-35 development program will have on our community, including displacement among low-income community in the effected area and enhanced air and noise pollution. While I support economic development in our city, the benefits of this program will be negligible when compared these lasting negative effects.

Please vote to oppose the F-35A development program in Madison.

With respect,

Samuel D. Marks
Research Assistant
Evans Research Group
1125 Engineering Research Building
1500 Engineering Drive
Madison, WI 53706
608-780-5633

From: Aaron McGee <aaronmcgee@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:22 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: no F35s please

Dear Alders and Mayor,

I support the Common Council Resolution to oppose the F-35 proposal.

I have trouble enjoying my gardens and life with the current F16s... I would have to leave town if F35s came.

I rent and would have to find a cheaper town to live in. I don't want to have to do this.

Thank you,

Aaron

From: Peggy Haack <peggyhaack@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:22 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

Please vote in opposition to bringing the F35s to Madison. The east and north side alders have researched this issue thoroughly and all agree that it is NOT in our city's best interest. I trust their work and as an eastsider I am very concerned about environmental issues and the impact it may have especially on our low income communities. Thank you.

Peggy Haack
301 Clemons Avenue
Madison
Sent from my iPhone

From: Chad Corliss <ccorliss@dlevanscompany.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:23 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 SUPPORT

As a lifelong Madisonian, I am in full support of the 115th wing and F-35's coming to Madison. Why some people feel that our military is evil is beyond me. Perhaps they are too young and/or undereducated to recall WWII and the current world we live in. Furthermore, the benefits the City and County receive from Truax is beyond what most may realize.

Thanks
Chad

From: Kate Sweet <katemsweet@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:24 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: F-35's

Dear Mayor Rhodes-Conway and good Alders of Madison,

Please do not support the F-35's coming into our community. As a mother of a preschooler who has hearing sensitivities, I am especially concerned for families living in the area that will be affected by the noise of these jets. I have seen children literally jump off of swing sets and run to their parents, covering their ears, when the jets that we already have flying overhead come by. We need to keep our neighborhoods and parks safe for everyone.

Sincerely,
Kate Sweet

Resident of the Atwood Neighborhood

From: Teresa Cornell <teresac@fairwaymc.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:24 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: 'badgerair@gmail.com'
Subject: F-35 resolution - Madison Alders Vote

Good afternoon!

I am writing to you today to share my voice regarding the subject issue being voted on tomorrow evening. Please Oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing AND reinforce support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission!

I feel this will greatly benefit our community AND could bring many jobs to our area.

Thank you for considering my position.

Teresa Cornell

VP New Branch Onboarding

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From: Jennifer Argelander <Jargelander@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:25 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution on F 35s

General Information

Name: Jennifer Argelander
Address: 1715 Erie Court
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53704
Phone:
Work Phone:
Email: Jargelander@yahoo.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I support the City resolution to oppose the F 35s coming to Madison .

Recipient:
All Alders

From: Lewis Koch <lewiskoch@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:32 PM
To: Bidar, Shiva
Cc: Abbas, Syed; All Alders
Subject: PLEASE SAY NO to proposed F-35s at Truax

Dear Alder Bidar,

I live in District 5, though for nearly 40 years I have maintained a workplace (studio) in the Eken Park neighborhood on Madison's east side. The proposed basing of F-35s at Truax would dramatically decrease the quality of life (**and** property values) for entire neighborhoods, making many homes- by the USAF's own admission- uninhabitable due to highly increased flyovers and accompanying increase in noise levels. Additionally, schools, families with young children, and existing day care facilities in the affected area will be negatively impacted. This is clearly a health issue and one that disproportionately affects residential areas which are predominantly lower income.

Even a cursory review of the EIS reveals its fraudulent use of statistics, with the noise levels being measured and then **averaged** over a period of 24-hrs, rather than revealing **actual** noise levels at the time of audible perception. As it is, the noise generated by the F-16 flyovers is hard to tolerate; as proposed, the F-35 missions would greatly increase in frequency and up to four times in actual noise level. As an aside, I find it curious that during this period of public consideration, the flyovers of the current F-16s seems to be curtailed- likely to diminish citizens opposition to the ever present noise nuisance.

I would like to express my opposition to basing the F-35s in Madison. Jobs and economic issues must be weighed against this serious negative impact on the city's quality of life.

Thank you for your consideration of this issue,

Lewis Koch
2209 Chamberlain Ave
53726

Veldran, Lisa

From: Mari Anne Bovee <bleucoda@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:32 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Truax Field

This is being sent to all who opposing alders

We are opposing the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing, and also reinforcing Support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Regards
John & Mari Anne Bovee

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kia Conrad <kiaconrad@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:35 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 issue

Dear Madison Alders,

I am writing to you in opposition to the addition of F35 fighter jets at Truax Field. Although I am an east-sider living under the flight path of commercial traffic and the jaw-clenching noise of the fighters, I am not writing to you about the fall of home values if the F35s come to Truax.

As a teacher at East High, I would regularly have to stop my classroom activities and teaching while the current jets took off. Let's count it out--now the engine is firing, then one second, two seconds, three seconds, four seconds, five seconds, six seconds, and it is leaving hearing range.. but here comes number two...and number three. Oh, by the way, the students were really engrossed in a high-tension, climatic moment in *MacBeth*, *Caucasia*, *The Kite-Runner*, etc. The disruption is complete. AND, later the jets will return with the same amount of noise they made when they left. Imagine the disruption for the thirty students in my room. Now imagine it in ALL the classrooms at East, and also the area middle and elementary schools. The pre-schools. MATC. Imagine how many hundreds, thousands, of students had their education disturbed this one time. There are 3500-4000 students in the East feeder area alone. That is 7000 disruptions for one flight out and back. Many of these students are already behind the eight-ball, and need many fewer disruptions in the classroom, and in their lives, which, of course, they live out near Truax Field. And MATC has 17,000 enrolled students--maybe 3-4000 on the Truax campus during the school day? How many educational interruptions do they suffer?

And the noise is piercing. Popular Mechanics quoted the Environmental Impact Statement for the addition of F35s to Boise, Idaho, say the noise would be "like a vacuum cleaner three feet away." However, in my experience with our current jets, the vacuum cleaner may be three feet away, but the hose is in my ears.

Now, this happens weekly. What is the effect when you multiply the number of jets and increase the noise level how many decibels? The kids already have it hard enough. The TEACHERS already have it hard enough. The FAMILIES already have it hard enough. This is an unhealthy move for Madison. Please support the resolution opposing the F35s here in Madison. Please urge them to find another place for their jets.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Kia Conrad
3013 Fairview St.
Madison, WI 53704

From: James H. Hegenbarth <jhegenbarth@parkbank.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:35 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: 'badgerair@gmail.com'
Subject: F-35 basing and Support for the 155th Fighter Wing and F-35 Mission

To City of Madison Alders:

I am vehemently opposed to a Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing here at Truax field. I am in full support of the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

1,200 jobs is a lot of jobs, on par with Madison area based companies like Sub Zero, TDS, and Stoughton Trailers.

Think about the impact of losing this opportunity and consider supporting the mission.

Jim Hegenbarth

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From: Ron Hoff <reporting@cityofmadison.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:37 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

General Information

Name: Ron Hoff
Address: 120 gateway dr
City: Waupun
State: Wi
ZIP: 53963
Phone:
Work Phone:
Email:
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I fully support the F35 coming to Truax. I'm in favor of all the economic, safety, honor and pride this will bring to our area . Not just the Madison area

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Laura Van Roo <laupete@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:38 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 Resolution opposition

Hello,

It is my understanding that the Madison City Council is considering a resolution to oppose the F35 coming to Truax Field in Madison, Wisconsin. I strongly oppose this resolution and believe the F35 would be a wonderful opportunity for our community.

I fully support the 115th Fighter Squadron and bringing the F35 to Madison.

Sincerely,

Laura Van Roo

Sent from my iPhone

From: Carol Ridderbusch <cjridderbusch@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:39 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Oppose Siting of F-35A fighter jets at Truax

Dear City Council,

I live in the SASY neighborhood and oppose the siting of F-35A jets at Truax. Please support the resolution to oppose the jets that is being voted on Tuesday, September 17th.

Thanks,
Carol Ridderbusch
2101 Linden Ave
Madison 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Greg Palmer <gpalmer2489@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:41 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 mission

Good afternoon,

I would like to voice my opposition to any resolution that is against the F-35 mission being based out of Truax Field. Being from the area my entire life I have seen the benefits and opportunities that the 115th Fighter Wing and it's mission bring to Madison and the surrounding communities. The F-35 will only strengthen our area and have a positive impact for years to come with economic growth and job opportunities.

Thank you for your time.

Greg

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Greg Palmer
608-843-3216

From: Denise Siemers-Babish <d.siemers1@me.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:40 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 and Truax Field

I support the F-35s. A few years back, Truax was on a possible closing list. That would be a significant negative economic impact to the area. The F-35s secure having a military base here. Vote YES to the F-35s!

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Ryan McCormick <mccormickr17@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:44 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support for the 115th Fighter Wing

Good afternoon,

I'd like to show my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and F-35 fighter program. This is a great opportunity for the city of Madison and needs to continue on. The F-16s won't last forever and the F-35s will be the next step to continuing the 115th Fighter Wing. The number of jobs that this supports and money for the community drastically out weigh the noise issue.

I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 program.

Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,
Ryan McCormick

Sent from my iPhone

From: Debbie Schwerman <deb@wispave.org>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:47 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Against Resolution Opposing F - 35 basing

I'm contacting you today to urge your opposition to the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and to voice my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

The 5th Operation Beddown would bring additional investment to our community and result in over 60 new permanent jobs as well as hundreds of temporary construction jobs. This will also ensure that the Truax airfield, with 1,200 employees and \$100 million estimated annual impact, would be protected next time the military considers which bases to close.

I used to work at the Department of Transportation Truax facility right across from the airport and am still there weekly for work. Our office is also about five miles from Truax and can attest that the noise inconvenience of take-offs/landings are minor compared to the great benefit this continued relationship brings to the economy.

I support the 115th Fighter Wing and strongly urge your opposition to the resolution opposing the F-35. Every time I hear the planes take off I quickly say "there's the sound of freedom", and I mean every word of it. I thank you for your careful consideration,

Deborah A. Schwerman

From: Dan Podell <dan.podell@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:47 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 Opposition

Hello Alders of Madison,

I've written to my district Alder, Rebecca, but I'd like to write to all of you;

While I've been staying quiet and just observing both sides of the entire F-35 debate, I've decided I want to help voice an opposition against the F-35s as I personally believe the economic opportunities these flights may bring in will not outweigh the damage they will present to our community.

I live in the Whitetail Ridge area of Madison and I feel we're sitting on the cusp of becoming an even greater neighborhood. With the approved expansion of both residential and commercial buildings all along Hoepker Road and the soft expansions of the tenants moving back into the Oscar Mayer facility, the negative impact of the jets in the quality of life will present a poor return on investment in all areas, both residential and commercial. I understand my district doesn't appear to be in any of the affected paths based on the EIS reports, but I believe it's naive to think that we won't be affected. In both meetings it's been addressed noise levels are based on single flight paths, and in real life will spread to multiple directions based on weather conditions.

Property values in our area as told by the EIS reporting could go down as much as 2% per decibel, to which some areas could see a 10 decibel increase based on the response from Alder Syed Abbas at September 11th's meeting which is a concern to me greatly as well. With so much potential housing growth surrounding our area, losing the quality of our home values (both myself and as a whole) feels like could jeopardize our community for decades to come.

Additionally, I find it extremely sad and disappointing of the little regard for low-income housing communities in this area. For a decision that affects their neighborhoods arguably the most, the awareness and the representation at the forums has been virtually non-existent.

Thank you for listening to my statement, I hope my concerns are warranted.

Dan Podell
1906 Gulseth St. Madison, WI

From: Daron Sandbergh <dsandbergh@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:52 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission

Dear Alders of Madison,

I am reaching out to express my support for our 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission.

I understand that a resolution has been drafted in opposition to the F-35, and am asking that you vote to base the F-35 here at Truax.

The mission of the 115th is one which, we in Madison and all of Wisconsin should be proud of.

Again, I implore you to vote in favor of placing the F-35 here!

Daron Sandbergh
Veteran, U.S. Navy

From: lennart skar <len.skar@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: My wife & I are long term residents here in the city. Her since birth. We are in support of the resolution against the F35s coming to town. As of now the fighter jet noise is deafening & I worry when they're flying too low that I may be having some dam...

From: Jeff Ford <fordjrf@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:55 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Protect the public process Vote YES on 568981

To the Plan Commission and Common Council:

I/We urge you to vote YES on #56981 (Amending Madison General Ordinances to require conditional use approval) to close the loopholes in the zoning code and NO on ordinance #56839 (Repealing the Campus Master Plan for Edgewood Campus) to protect the integrity of the public process.

Thank you,

Jeff Ford
2015 Adams Street
Madison Wi. 53711

From: Bonnie <blbb24@att.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 3:58 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: RE Resolution on the F-35s

Dear Alders,

Please vote for the City Council Resolution asking the Air Force to reconsider having 20 F-35s based at Truax Field. These weapons of war are a symbol of everything that's wrong with our country's priorities. The 1.5 trillion dollars spent on this boondoggle are precluding adequate funding of human needs and instead supporting the warmongering defense contractors who then bribe our elected officials to keep the money coming. It's got to stop!

Nuclear war can destroy the planet so why would we want to have nuclear capable fighter jets here in Madison? On top of that there's the noise and air pollution that as usual affects low income and people of color disproportionately. Diplomacy and grassroots development along with funding for sustainable and renewable energy to end our dependence on fossil fuels are the real way path peace—not more wasting our tax dollars on ever more destructive weapons of war. Please vote yes, tell the Air Force don't want the F-35s here!

Bonnie Block
2237 Fox Avenue
Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Rummel, Marsha
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:03 PM
To: Veldran, Lisa
Subject: Fwd: Please oppose F-35s

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Taylor Noles <taylorjnoles@gmail.com>
Date: September 16, 2019 at 3:54:00 PM CDT
To: district6@cityofmadison.com
Subject: Please oppose F-35s

Dear Alder Marsha Rummel,

Please support the resolution to oppose the F-35 fighter jets. Minorities, kids and low-income families will be most impacted and property and quality of life will be detrimentally affected.

Thank you,

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Taylor Noles

From: Danielle Hussey <dani.hussey@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:03 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support F-35s

Hi there,

I am a resident of Madison and I live within a couple miles from Truax. I'd like to say that I fully support the 115th fighter wing and their F-35 mission. I oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and I think it'd be foolish to miss out on this opportunity for the 115th.

Thank you,

Danielle Hussey

From: Jules Wolf Stenzel <juleswolfgirl@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:05 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35s at Truax

Please support the Common Council Resolution Opposing the F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field.

I live and have my business on the east side of Madison. I am fully expecting, should the F35s move into Madison, that I will need to close my business and sell my home for a possible loss. I am certain that I will not be able to handle the sound due to some hearing loss, and PTSD surrounding military plane sounds. My situation is minor compared to the unfair handling of low income residents near Truax who will have to move from their homes--with potentially no compensation as far as I know.

The Air Force has released for public comment a draft Environmental Impact Statement evaluating the impacts of the proposed beddown of a squadron of new F-35 fighter jets at existing Air National Guard bases in Wisconsin, Idaho, Florida, Michigan and Alabama. The Wisconsin base at Truax Field would receive a squadron of 18 fighter jets. Of the five sites evaluated in the EIS, Truax Field has the greatest environmental justice and health impacts due the low-income and minority families that live adjacent to the county airport and thousands of residents who live on the east and north sides of Madison.

There are so many reasons to oppose Truax Field as a location for these new jets. Many of these are clearly presented in the draft EIS. I ask you to support the Common Council resolution opposing Truax Field at a site these new jets.

Here are some of my reasons for opposing these jets:

The existing noise due to current fighter jets and county airport operations is already unacceptable.

This project promotes environmental racism.

Our children will be especially vulnerable to the effects of this project.

The Air Force and Air National Guard will provide no funds for noise abatement.

Operations at Truax Field are responsible for contaminating local groundwater with fire-fighting chemicals, including PFAS, requiring the shutdown of Well 15. This is not a good track record.

Madison residents are actively working to improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods and encourage more people to live in the city. Madison and Dane County currently lead Wisconsin in population growth. Rather than encouraging people to live where they work and play, the F-35A squadron will make the city a less desirable place to live and promote urban sprawl, unsustainable lifestyles and global warming.

Please support Madison residents and approve the resolution opposing the use of Truax Field for the proposed F-35A fighter jets.

Thank you,
Jules Wolf Stenzel

From: Brad Hinkfuss <bradhinkfuss@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:05 PM
To: All Alders; county_board_recipients@countyofdane.com
Subject: SASY Neighborhood position on F-35 placement
Attachments: SASY opposition to F-35A location.pdf

Hello City of Madison Alders and Dane County Supervisors,

Please accept the attached letter on behalf of the Schenk-Atwood-Starkweather-Yahara (SASY) Neighborhood Association concerning the proposed bed down of F-35A military jets at the Truax base. This letter was originally delivered primarily to Mayor Rhodes-Conway and County Executive Parisi. However, I realize that this will be a discussion and a decision that will involve all of you.

The letter offers a perspective from a directly impacted area. The decision will have deep implications for our neighborhood for many years to come. It will have real consequences for thousands of people. It is important that we take a position this issue and that we communicate that position to our leaders.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Brad Hinkfuss
President - SASY, Inc.

SASY

Schenk-Atwood-Starkweather-Yahara Neighborhood Association

Tuesday, September 10, 2019

To: Dane County Executive Joe Parisi
Mayor Satya Rhodes-Conway

Dear County Executive and Mayor,

If I were talking to either of you in person here in our near east side neighborhood, there's a good chance that we'd have to take a 15 second pause somewhere in our conversation because a jet would fly overhead and the deafening sound would render our words unintelligible. We'd shake our heads and patiently wait for the roar to subside so our conversation – and life – could return to normal. On especially bad days, the F-16 jets come roaring overhead and make the jumbo jets seem tame in comparison. Most of us have come to accept this unwanted but inescapable feature of our dear neighborhood. It's testament to the human capacity to acclimate and adapt. We are resilient and we carry on.

But today we have a chance to reevaluate our everyday disruptions. It's not that the flights have stopped for a day and left us noise-free; No, instead we stand on the edge of a decision that could greatly increase or greatly reduce the noise. I am writing about the proposed siting of the F-35A military bomber jets at Truax Air Base here in Madison, of course, and I send this letter on behalf of the SASY Neighborhood Association to voice our strong opposition to their location here.

Our voice joins a powerful chorus of opposition. Article after article is appearing online and in print in opposition to siting the planes at the Truax base. Many of us have pored through the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) over the past month. Were the public opinion outcry not enough, the EIS fills in the unsavory details that provide an empirical backing for all that opposition: significant noise impacts, outsized impact on low income and minority populations, and the rendering of some land as "incompatible" with housing. You know the details. It is impossible to read this and not conclude that some of the other proposed locations would be superior in the sense that a base location would negatively impact far fewer people. To welcome the F-35As to Madison is to invite further hardship on more people than ever before.

Not to miss the bigger picture, we understand the allure of the perceived economic benefits that locating the F-35A jets here would bring. It is hard not to be swayed by the idea of federal tax dollars flowing into the local economy. Economic arguments drive so much of what we do as a society.

Allow me to interrupt that thought with a 15 second roaring jet sound to remind you that there are many real people who have been living with this awful situation for many years, and it makes a negative difference in our lives. This is an issue of equity for all those who have and will ensure an outsized negative impact from the location of fighter jets at the Truax base.

There are two decisions before you now. First, whether to support or oppose the siting of the F-35A jets at the Truax base. We encourage you to oppose Truax as a location. Further, we respectfully request that you go on record to clearly articulate your position on the issue as an elected official and convey that position to us. That is exactly what Representative Chris Taylor, County Supervisor Yogesh Chawla and Alder Marsha Rummel have done in their joint press release dated August 8, 2019.

SASY

Schenk-Atwood-Starkweather-Yahara Neighborhood Association

The second decision is what to do in the event that the F-35A jets do get cited here. Despite all the opposition we know that this is still a very real possibility. Because of that possibility we ask that you commit now to demanding real investments in broad-base mitigation measures should the F-35As come here. Mitigation has never been taken seriously in our community as it has in many others. There are investments that could be made in soundproofing homes, relocating the affected people, altering flight paths, and many other measures. As elected officials, you would be in exactly the right positions to leverage investments in one area to benefit another. None of this is suggest tacit acceptance that the location of the F-35As here is a foregone conclusion. As the saying goes, we hope for the best and prepare for the worst.

Thank you for all your time and efforts as our elected officials. In so many ways we benefit from strong leadership in our community. The decisions that lay before you now present opportunities for true leadership. We are hopeful and confident that you will listen to our voices as we join so many others in opposing these jets in our community. We look forward to hearing your response to this letter.

Respectfully,



Bradley Hinkfuss
President – SASY, Inc.

Cc: Alder Marsha Rummel, Supervisor Yogesh Chawla, Representative Chris Taylor, SASY Board of Directors, US National Guard Bureau

Veldran, Lisa

From: Paula Ciebell <pciebell69@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Truax

I want to let you know that I am NOT in favor of the resolution that opposes F-35 basing in Madison. I am truly disappointed that some alders have opposed the F-35 basing.

Further, I am fully in support of the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission!

Respectfully,
Paula Ciebell

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Veldran, Lisa

From: Rita Baldacchino <bilena_baldacchino@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

I oppose siting of these aircrafts at Truax.

My neighborhood as well as the schools located in the area will suffer environmental, health and economic consequences that are not acceptable.

Madison needs to do well by its citizens, particularly by those who are minorities and/or poor.

I thank my alderman Rebecca Kemble for co-authoring the resolution which must defeat this proposal. I hope all aldermen will vote likewise. These aircrafts belong in remote desert areas.

Thank you.

Rita Cairns
1622 Lake View Avenue
Madison, Wisconsin
53704

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tiffany Black <tvadd86@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:12 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: 115th Fighter Wing/F-35 Support

I DO NOT support you passing a resolution to oppose the F-35 and I DO support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission!

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tyler Hoecker <hoecker.tyler@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:12 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: I oppose F-35s on Madison' east side

Dear Mayor Satya and Madison Alders,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed plan to bring Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown to Madison's Truax field.

I live at 238 Waubesa St, right beneath the primary flight path of aircraft traveling to and from Madison. The loud noise produced by the current fleet of jets using Truax field is already a substantial intrusion. When jets, immediately discernable from commercial aircraft, travel over our neighbor is becomes impossible to ignore them. The noise and energy produced by jets overhead makes normal tasks impossible – conversation ceases, people are awoken, dogs bark.

The proposal to bring additional, even more powerful jets to Madison is obscene. It reflects a clear disregard for people that live on the East side, who are, not coincidentally, disproportionately low-income and of color. This is not a source of income that Madison needs. Our Eastside neighborhood is vibrant and welcoming; it exemplifies the colorful and positive community for which Madison is known. This plan will make parts of our city unlivable, destroying property values and comprising the well-being of neighborhood. More military infrastructure in Madison is not part of a shared, equitable and healthy future for our city. PLEASE OPPOSE THIS MEASURE.

Thank you,
Tyler Hoecker
238 Waubesa St. Apt 1
Madison, WI
53704

From: tkrisher@aol.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:20 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support for the placing of the F35's at Truax

To the Madison Alders in opposition of the placement of the F35's at Madison's 115th Air National Guard . . .
.. **SHAME ON YOU!!!**

My husband and I are in **FULL SUPPORT** of the arrival of the F35's!

I am wondering how many of you were raised in Madison or are even familiar with the long standing history of TRUAX?!? Most of you look to be in the age group too young to recall the sonic booms in Madison and the surrounding area back in the 60's. I'm curious as to how many of you are originally from Madison or Dane County? Have you done your homework on the longevity of TRUAX? The base has been around since the early 1940's. Long before you were born. Without going into detail and updating you on the history of TRUAX might I suggest you all take a moment to read every article in the archives about the base!

To date you should be proud that the 115th Air National Guard Unit has been selected for the placement of the F35's! This base is ranked as one of the highest Air Force Bases within the United States. Our men and women serving YOU have done an outstanding job to receive such recognition. They are on call at a moments notice to help communities across Wisconsin when disaster strikes. Our men and women leave their families at home to serve and support missions all over the world!!! And YOU and your DISTRICT what do you do? Complain about noise and the environmental impact on your community. **REALLY?** Our F16's have done many a flyover at Camp Randall Stadium at the conclusion of the National Anthem. The roar of the crowd in support of those jets and the noise bring chills and tears. What you hear as a jet flies over is the **SOUND OF YOUR FREEDOM!!!**

What about the economic impact if the base were to not receive the F35's replacing the soon to be retired F16's? Would the base close? That's a question for the future if we were not to receive the F35's. Think of the affect the closing would have if all who serve and those contracted for jobs on the base were to leave? Are you ready for the increase in your taxes? Closing of businesses? The arrival of the F35's will bring more jobs and money to our area. Does that not factor into your thought process? And another question speaking of taxes - how many in your district are home owners and tax payers? Those near the airport and low income are for the majority not taxpayers. They are renters supported by those of us paying taxes!!! If they don't like the noise I feel they have no say so in this matter!

I grew up in Madison and my husband in McFarland. We now live in the Town of Sun Prairie in the country. We have always enjoyed the sounds of the jets passing over from the time we were children. We live in the flight path of not only the F16 jets, but the Army Air National Guard helicopter maneuvers, commercial airlines, Med Flight, private planes and ultra light aircraft utilizing the Cottage Grove airstrip, not to mention the occasional crop duster maneuvering its way around our home and out buildings and trees to dust the fields near by. None of these noises bother us because they only last for a few moments. A thunderstorm with it's booms and lighting create more noise then any aircraft and lasts much longer! Maybe your should turn your complaints to Mother Nature as well?

Did you and your people not realize when you moved to your district that not only is their an airport with commercial airlines, FedEx, and small private planes, but two military bases - the Wisconsin Air National Guard and the Wisconsin Army National Guard??? Who was there first?!?! It's like moving to the country and being surrounded by cropland that on occasion the fields are fertilized with manure and with tractors driving up and down the roads. The family farm was there first. And just like TRUAX my guess is the base was there long before you or any in your district was.

So in conclusion I'd like to close with **PUT UP SHUT UP OR MOVE!!!!**

Cheri Krisher (Ted)
Pierceville WI.

From: Kären Miskimen <rusticcrumbmsn@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:20 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the Common Council Resolution Opposing the F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field

The Air Force has released for public comment a draft Environmental Impact Statement evaluating the impacts of the proposed beddown of a squadron of new F-35 fighter jets at existing Air National Guard bases in Wisconsin, Idaho, Florida, Michigan and Alabama. The Wisconsin base at Truax Field would receive a squadron of 18 fighter jets. Of the five sites evaluated in the EIS, Truax Field has the greatest environmental justice and health impacts due the low-income and minority families that live adjacent to the county airport and thousands of residents who live on the east and north sides of Madison.

There are so many reasons to oppose Truax Field as a location for these new jets. Many of these are clearly presented in the draft EIS. I ask you to support the Common Council resolution opposing Truax Field at a site these new jets.

Here are some of my reasons for opposing these jets:

The existing noise due to current fighter jets and county airport operations is already unacceptable.

This project promotes environmental racism.

Our children will be especially vulnerable to the effects of this project.

The Air Force and Air National Guard will provide no funds for noise abatement.

Operations at Truax Field are responsible for contaminating local groundwater with fire-fighting chemicals, including PFAS, requiring the shutdown of Well 15. This is not a good track record.

Madison residents are actively working to improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods and encourage more people to live in the city. Madison and Dane County currently lead Wisconsin in population growth. Rather than encouraging people to live where they work and play, the F-35A squadron will make the city a less desirable place to live and promote urban sprawl, unsustainable lifestyles and global warming.

Please support Madison residents and approve the resolution opposing the use of Truax Field for the proposed F-35A fighter jets.

In partnership,

Kären Miskimen
Put your "car in" gear
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K09L06M04@gmail.com
Minnie on [Facebook](#)
[Rustic Crumb](#) flourshares

*Unless someone like you
cares a whole awful lot,
nothing is going to get better.*

It's not. Dr. Seuss

Veldran, Lisa

From: Denise Karns <wisckees@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:20 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: In opposition of the F35's

All,

I am writing to ask for you to support the drafted resolution to request that the Air National Guard seriously reconsider the installation of F35's at Truax. Madison has grown well beyond adding this sort of additional industry to the air field. As a resident of the near east side, and yet outside of the proposed study areas, I can confirm what an impact the increased jet fighter presence has had on our lives since 9/11. I cannot imagine the F35's are worth the relatively few jobs or economic impact that the installation of F35's would provide.

These jets just aren't worth it to Madison.

Thank you for your time and efforts on behalf of Madison and it's residents.

Sincerely,

Denise Karns
2049 Helena Street
Madison WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Yahoo <sebastianvphilipp@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:27 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35 bed down in Madison

Dear Alders,

I strongly support the resolution to oppose the beddown of F-35s in Madison.

Sebastian

Sebastian Philipp
113 N Marquette St
Madison WI 53704

Sent from my iPhone

From: Alison Mahoney <alisonmahoney43@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:30 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please vote to prevent housing F-35s in Madison

General Information

Name: Alison Mahoney
Address: 145 Corry Street
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53704
Phone:
Work Phone:
Email: alisonmahoney43@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Dear Alders of Madison,

I live at 145 Corry Street just around the corner from the Goodman Community Center. We moved to the neighborhood in October of 2016 already knowing that our house was under the most common landing flight path of the airport. The noise from the landing planes is irritating but tolerable.

We get traffic from F-16s both circling around the house and in, or very close to, the commercial jet landing path. I can only describe their sound as blood curdling. I feel like my life stops until they are gone. Going inside the house doesn't seem to change it much. It's as if the sky is being torn open. I have heard that the F-35s are "four times louder." It is difficult for me to imagine what this will be like when they fly overhead – and fly more often. And we aren't even in the 65 dB DNL contour.

I attended the public meeting on September 12 at the Alliant Center. The "utive Summary" for the impact statement draft indicated Madison will be "significantly" impacted by the addition of 1,320 acres to its current "incompatible" 65 dB DNL contour. The number of houses in that contour will increase by 1019 the number of affected people in these households would increase by 2215. There would be 132 households affecting 292 people within the contour that experiences DNLs of 70-75 dB, which is apparently so dangerous living there requires an "exception." Among the five proposed F-35 bedding sites, Madison has the most increased acerage and added households/inhabitants of houses within the 70-75 dB contour. It is second only to the Michigan base in the number of additional households and inhabitants within the expanded 65 dB contour. Three other sites would have many, many fewer affected households and people making those sites better candidates for housing the jets.

The summary also reports that hosting the F-35 would "significantly and disproportionately impact low-income and minority communities and children" in both Madison and Montgomery. Housing the F-35 at the other locations does not adversely affect low-income and minority communities. The Michigan plan does affect some schools but children are not affected in Jacksonville or Boise. Madison College is right next door to Truax and there must be many affected schools and day care centers within the expanded 65 dB contour.

The summary notes that the Air Force is not responsible for mitigation to civilian installations. Although the FAA provides mitigation funds to an "airport sponsor" to insulate buildings within the countour experiencing 65 or greater dB, there is no guarantee that an airport will offer this "voluntary" program to the community. Does the City of Madison have any plans to make sure that affected households get soundproofing?

I've done some preliminary research on the effects of low-altitude aircraft noise. It damages human health through the

stress of annoyance, hypertension, hearing loss there may also be links to cardiovascular disease. It is particularly concerning that aircraft noise impacts childrens' ability to learn and remember. My block of Corry Street has children living in half of the houses, most of them toddlers, one was born this past spring and I see another mother down the street is pregnant. The Goodman Center around the corner is filled with children and retired folk.

During the public hearing a couple of gray-haired supporters of the F-35 talked about growing up on the East Side. They both talked about the airport noise and horrible smells from the Oscar Mayer plant one mentioned a smelly dump. It was a matter of pride to these gentlemen that they survived these insults. In my view, it's a shame they were forced to endure them. Don't we hope to provide better living conditions for our children? Just as we decided as a community to stop dumping raw sewage into our lakes in the 1940s, the City of Madison should think about quality-of-life issues for all its citizens as we work our way into the 21st century. Three other proposed bedding sites affect many fewer people and do not impact low-income, minority families, and children. Why unnecessarily cripple the future livability and prosperity of the East and North Sides of our city? Why force students to stop communicating in their classrooms as the jets fly over? Evidence suggests that peoples' well-being is increased by enjoying the outdoors. F-35s will further encourage everyone to remain inside.

The economic benefits for a very few do not outweigh the obvious harms to thousands that will result if F-35s are "bedded down" in Madison.

I urge you to support the resolution Item 58 to prevent the housing of F-35s in Madison tomorrow night.

Yours truly,

Alison Mahoney
Tim Mahoney

Recipient:
All Alders

From: Jon Becker <jonbecker@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:31 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

I reside just to the east of Truax. I support the resolution sponsored by alders Foster, Kemble, Rummel, Heck, Evers, and Abbas. opposing beddown of F-35s here. Comments on the EIS that I submitted today may be found below.

It is remarkable that even as commercial aircraft have become both quieter and more fuel efficient during the past few decades, the F-35 pollutes more than its predecessor.

Sincerely, Jon

Jon Becker
+ USA 608 469 0316 [mobile voice+text]
POB 3292, Madison, WI 53704 USA

I oppose bedding of F-35s at the airbase in Madison.

My home office is just to the east of Truax, on the western edge of Reindahl Park. Fighter noise is already problematic; with my smart phone metering app, it has been as high as 80 dBs inside the office. This interferes with my consulting practice that includes music editing/research and phone calling, and with part-time work on a federal government project that requires phone calling.

I would also like to point out that the EIS, without citing any science, claims that (1) wildlife nearby has probably "acclimated" to noise from aircraft including the F-16s, and (2) will likely do so as well to the increased noise of the F-35s. To verify these two claims actually would require careful study of comparable marshes that have no overflights from a nearby airport. As a co-founder and former President of Friends of Cherokee Marsh, the largest wetlands in Dane County, as well as someone who frequently "escapes" to the Marsh and its trails, I am very dubious of these claims.

Last, like my neighbors, I am having to deal with the closure of municipal Well #15, which is located in Reindahl Park. This is because of the PFAS pollution flowing underground from the military airbase and other sources to the west. The ANG must clean up the current PFAS pollution before asking to beddown other aircraft.

From: Katarina Kobor <kkobor@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:35 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No to F-35s

Dear Madison alders,

I encourage you to support the resolution against F-35s coming to Madison. I live in Syed Abbas' district, near the intersection of Hoard and 7th St. The air national guard planes are incredibly loud, and I cannot imagine planes flying overhead with more regularity and increased volume.

Our neighbors to the north are those who would be most impacted by the F-35s. As you know they are disproportionately people of color and small children.

My son attended Isthmus Montessori Academy Public last year. I noticed on the EIS that the Montessori school was not even listed as a school nearby. So there are actually even more children that would be greatly impacted by the f-35s than the EIS currently indicates.

I attended the meeting at the Alliant Energy Center last week, and was shocked at the number of people who were in support of the F-35 program, but do not actually live near the airport. This project would be better in an area that would not impact so many people, two of which were beddown options for the ANG.

It was made very clear in the presentation that there is no guarantee of sound mitigation and that the economic benefits for this program are negligible for our community. The economic loss and impact would, however, be very concerning, with the chance that property values could decrease and businesses might leave the area.

I encourage you all to consider the negative impact that this project would have for our fine city. Madison continues to tout itself as a progressive forward-thinking city with goals of racial, environmental, and economic justice. We need to act like one. This is your chance to stand for justice. This project does not fit with our city's ideals and the mayor and alders need to speak loud and clear: we do not want F-35s coming to Madison.

Thank you for your time,

Veldran, Lisa

From: Michael Dambach <dambach@altair.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:38 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35

Please support the F35 program and the 115th fighter wing.

They are priority over any residents that built/bought homes knowing full well where the airport was located.

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Veldran, Lisa

From: DALE FISCHER <d.fischer.1@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:41 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution

I do not live in Madison...I do however support our military and 100% support the F-35's

I oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and (2) reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Dale Fischer

Veldran, Lisa

From: Karen T <kaytea58@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:43 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Resolution opposing F-35 and Tues Vote

Hello Alders of Madison,

This email is to show my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. I am in favor of the F-35's coming to Truax and I oppose the Resolution that is against the F-35 basing in Madison. The upgrade to F-35's will bring jobs and increased economic activity to the area and keep the base viable and open. Truax already brings \$99 million in economic activity and supports 1650 state jobs. Let's keep the base open and viable! There are many good reasons for the F-35's to be based in Madison. I ask you to vote in favor of the F-35's and against the resolution that opposes them..

Sincerely,
Karen Tuschel

From: Jan Loiselle <Jan@creatingchangetoday.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:46 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Kemble, Rebecca
Subject: Opposition of F-35s

We are writing in opposition of the F-35s coming to Madison. While we live close to the airport and the F-16s are a part of our daily lives, we have been periodically annoyed but generally do not mind. We believe that by not complaining about these jets, that we are in a small way supporting the military and our country. We knew about the jets and the airport before we bought our home, making our decision on real information. We knew basically how often the planes were in the air and how loud they could be. This appears to be something very different.

That said, neither of us are comfortable with the information we have read and are keenly aware that once things are in motion...there will be no way to change course. Therefore, for a variety of reasons – not the least of which is the noise level – we oppose siting of the F-35s here. Thank you.

Steven & Janice Loiselle
4405 Hollow Ridge Road
Madison, WI 53704
608-628-1893

Veldran, Lisa

From: John Pfender <pfendj@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:48 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Common Council Resolution

I would like to register my support for the Madison Common Council resolution that opposes siting of the F35A fighter jets at Truax Field. It is my understanding that this resolution will be presented at the September 17, 2019 Common Council meeting.

Thank you.

From: Pamela Minden <pbminden@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:50 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

I respectfully request that you vote in favor of [Resolution 57364: Responding to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement \(EIS\) for the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown](#) at the 9/17/19 Common Council meeting.

I left week's public hearing on the F-35 "beddown" at Traux Field certain the associated health and environmental costs of this \$94 million+ fighter jet will grossly exceed any potential economic benefit. I was not swayed by all the people in logoed caps brandishing polished posters and pamphlets claiming that the excessive noise—which will disproportionately affect minorities, low-income residents and children—can be adequately mitigated.

Prior to the proceedings a fervent, young F-35 advocate assured me that our city will be safer because it makes retaliation possible in the event of an attack. With growing tension in the Middle East and the president's increasingly erratic behavior, I share her longing for security. But her mindset, one widely evidenced at the event, is what disturbs me most about the F-35. Once detonated, how will this first-strike weapon designed specifically to carry nuclear warheads differentiate between those who are good and those who are evil? How will it limit its undeniably toxic effects to some targeted area? As Martin Luther King, Jr. put it, *"The ultimate weakness of violence is that it is a descending spiral, begetting the very thing it seeks to destroy."*

If you are inclined to disregard King's sentiment as pacifist pap, perhaps you will consider the words of Dwight D. Eisenhower, five-star Army general, statesman, and the 34th president of the United States. *"Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired signifies in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed. This world in arms is not spending money alone. It is spending the sweat of its laborers, the genius of its scientists, the hopes of its children. This is not a way of life at all in any true sense. Under the clouds of war, it is humanity hanging on a cross of iron."*

Please do your part to ensure this important resolution is passed. It is an important step in keeping Madison, and our wider world safe from the F-35.

Sincerely,

Pamela Minden
4322 Upland Drive
Madison, WI 53705

From: Lynn Keller Gmail <lynnkeller4@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:56 PM
To: Stouder, Heather
Cc: All Alders
Subject: please vote yes on #56981

Dear Members of the Plan Commission and the Common Council:

We need a public process for major building projects by CI District institutions that do not have a Campus Master Plan. There needs to be fair oversight of schools that are building in our neighborhoods. The conditional use process allows all stakeholders in a land use change or building project to be heard. Please vote yes on #56981 (Amending Madison General Ordinances to require conditional use approval) at the Plan Commission hearing tonight and the Common Council meeting October 1st.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Lynn Keller
2005 Jefferson Street
Madison, WI 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jody Derosa <jodyderosa143@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:57 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35s at Truax

I live in Cherokee, next to the airport. I do not support the ban.

I would like to see Truax be able to keep the F35s for training and safety in our skies.

Jody Petty

From: Rick Soletski <dpenguin@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:58 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: Re: Resolution by Alders Grant Foster, Rebecca Kemble, Marsha A. Rummel, Patrick W. Heck, Tag Evers and Syed Abbas opposing the beddown of F35s at Truax Field

I do not know this author of the letter to the editor (Capital Times) and do not know his position, if any, on the resolution. He raises some good pertinent points.

Richard S. Russell: Two questions about the F-35 proposal

Dear Editor: Thanks to Jessie Opoien for an excellent column explaining the pros and cons of basing a squadron of F-35 fighter jets at Madison's Truax Field.

However, I was left with a few unanswered questions.

First off, the article and accompanying photo mention Volk Field, which is in a very thinly populated area near Camp Douglas in Juneau County and apparently operated by Wisconsin's Air National Guard. The article says this airspace is "one of the country's most expansive and realistic for combat preparation." So I'm left wondering why nobody's talking about basing the F-35s there instead of at Truax.

My second question concerns the homeowners directly under the flight path into Truax. A lot of them are poor families whose only significant asset is the home they live in, and they're about to see those property values plummet. This means they can't afford to move, and nobody's buying anyway. **Has any consideration been given to having the Pentagon buy up those properties, possibly spiffing them up, and offering them at sweetheart prices to all those many, many Air Force personnel who are such an economic boon to the community? This would make it convenient for them to drive to work, and they'd be the last people to complain about all the noise overhead.**

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Just food for thought.

Richard S. Russell

MadisonSend your letter to the editor to tctvoice@madison.com. Include your full name, hometown and phone number. Your name and town will be published. The phone number is for verification purposes only. Please keep your letter to 250 words or less.

From: Rick Soletski

Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:05 PM

To: allalders@cityofmadison.com <allalders@cityofmadison.com>; mayor@cityofmadison.com <mayor@cityofmadison.com>

Subject: Resolution by Alders Grant Foster, Rebecca Kemble, Marsha A. Rummel, Patrick W. Heck, Tag Evers and Syed Abbas opposing the beddown of F35s at Truax Field

The Honorable Mayor of Madison

Honorable Alders of the City of Madison

I support the resolution by Alders Grant Foster, Rebecca Kemble, Marsha A. Rummel, Patrick W. Heck, Tag Evers and Syed Abbas opposing the beddown of F35s at Truax Field. I oppose any alternate resolution that weakens or dilutes this message.

I live at ground zero in the area of Madison that would be deemed incompatible with residential habitation due to the increased sound levels, along with 132 other households and 292 of my neighbors.

I bought my house in 1990 and yes, I realized it was close to the airport. We have already lived with increased noise from commercial air traffic and the transition from A10s to F16s and not complained. This increase in un-muzzled, increased military traffic will make my home unlivable, as detailed by the Air Force's own study.

I attended the open house held by the Wisconsin National Guard and I have to say I was disappointed by the positions of some of my fellow Madisonians. Their descriptions of the concerns of people directly affected by the increased noise pollution was demeaning, misleading and condescending.

The unholy alliance of the Chamber of Commerce and unions cherry picked and exaggerated the benefits while pooch pooching the costs and concerns of the neighbors affected.

During the course of the meeting the jobs created were described as 64, hundreds and later someone claimed thousands. Talk about the loaves and the fishes effect.

I EXPECT since the Director of the Chamber is so in favor of this as a benefit to the City he will donate the windfall that the Chamber received from selling their office building at a price way above the assessed and the appraised value to the county for the Beacon Center. Over \$750,000 would help those of us with plummeting home values and moving expenses.

The CoC Director and a representative of a WNG booster group appeared on a recent Sunday talk show. I have never heard so many weasel words in one half hour in my life. There "may" be mitigation benefits for the affected area, like more sound proof windows and doors. Yeah, I can take "maybe" to the bank. And are we supposed to be shut-ins deprived of the enjoyment of our yards, patios and decks?

The union members who packed the Alliant center wearing the swag and caps from the pro F35 group could volunteer to help 300 people move out of Madison. Will they be there?

If the beddown in Madison is approved, I will follow up with the city about lowering our tax assessments for properties that have drastically lost value, if they are sellable at all. Since the EIS came out, sellers and realtors would be liable for disclosing that the noise and flights will dramatically increase.

I will also look to the city and county for assistance in working with the FAA on buyout offers for the home and property owners.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments and support for the strong resolution.

Richard Soletski

3322 Quincy Av

Madison

Veldran, Lisa

From: ruthrbsullivan@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 4:58 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Opposition to F-35A Jets

This email is being written quickly on my commute home and will likely be too late for you to see ahead of your meeting. I am writing to urge you to support the resolution being voted on this evening to oppose the placement of F-35A fighter jets at Truax field. As a resident of the Madison's East side, I recently purchased a home being well aware of the flight paths and regular jet sounds that regularly disturb our household and make us pause our conversation. I am more deeply concerned about the families that will be even more directly impacted and displaced with louder and more regular noise. The potential environmental and economic impact on local families, property value, and business is unfathomable. I have a sinking feeling our community mobilization will not work, and this will go through anyway, but it was important to me to share my concerns.

Thank you for reading this hastily written email!

Ruth Sullivan
517-740-7808

Sent from my iPhone

From: Michael Johns <farmerjohns@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:04 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: mj
Subject: F-35 Resolution

My name is [Michael Johns](#), and I live at [2135 Linden Ave.](#) on Madison's near east side near the Barrymore Theater. I have been in this house since 1977.

I am asking all of the alders to support and vote for the resolution which is opposed to the Air National Guards F-35 expansion at Truax field.

We live in the most rapidly growing county in the state. Our urban area and Madison's growing residential neighborhoods are not compatible with a home for 18 F-35 fighter planes.

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I truly believe that the economic impact of these planes moving here shall be a negative one, as families and businesses relocate, and property values drop.

This better not turn into an east side verses west side issue. We all loose if it does.

Thank you for your consideration.

Michael Johns

From: Connie Philpot <ckphilpot@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:06 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support of Truax

I fully support the F35 coming to Madison. The Air National Guard has a tradition of excellence and represents the State of Wisconsin whenever members are deployed. We should all be proud that they have been selected for this conversion to the newest aircraft.

Connie Philpot

Veldran, Lisa

From: meganlaws7@gmail.com on behalf of Megan <megsue7@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:10 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I oppose F35's in Madison

Please help prevent F35's in Madison due to dense neighborhoods nearby.

Thank you!

Megan Laws
121 Acacia Lane
Madison WI 53715
920-297-0057

From: Chris Rodel <chrisrodel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:14 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please oppose anti- F-35 Resolution

Dear Madison Alders,

I understand that there is a resolution before the city council opposing the basing of the F-35 fighters in Madison. I would respectfully ask all of you to oppose that resolution for the following reasons:

1. The 115th Fighter Wing has a decades-long, proven record as a top-tier Air National Guard unit, as evidenced by the Air Force's preference to base the new jets here. Not only the operational excellence, but the positive community relationship factored into that decision.
2. The 115th Fighter Wing provides sovereign air defense for this part of the country. The current F-16s are frankly old and in need of replacement. National security is provided on a daily basis by the 115th and no other unit is prepared to take on that mission in the near term.
3. Without the primary flying mission, it would be doubtful that the other missions the wing performs would remain. These missions include rescue and firefighting service at the Dane County Airport, explosive ordnance disposal, rapid-deployment medical and communication teams in times of disaster, and much more. How would the city and state replace these services without incurring enormous news costs that are now borne by the Air Force and the National Guard Bureau?
4. The economic impact of the loss of the wing would be in the neighborhood of 100 million dollars and thousands of jobs, both direct and indirect.
5. The wing has a demonstrated history of working with city residents to mitigate noise issues and wishes to be a good neighbor to all.
6. The direct noise impact of the F-35 flights can be measured in terms of mere minutes per day, not on any continuous basis.

I thank you all for your time and attention to this matter. Please vote against the anti- F-35 proposal and preserve the 115th Fighter Wing as a valued part of the Madison-area community.

Best regards,

Chris Rodel
Sun Prairie

Veldran, Lisa

From: William Egstad <egstadw@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

Sent from my iPhone
I support the F35 coming to Truax

William Egstad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Susan Kaye <kaye.susan@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please strongly oppose f-35's

Dear Madison Alder

Please vote in favor of the strongest resolution to oppose the F-35's!

Negative impact on communities of color and low income communities, negative impact on surrounding communities, and I am very afraid of the nuclear possibilities.

Please sign on to and pass the original resolution!!

Sincerely

Susan Kaye

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Be kinder than necessary, everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle.

-Plato

From: Janie Asberry <asberry08@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:15 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 Truax Field

I am a current resident of Madison, WI.

I am emailing to oppose the resolution that opposes the F35s from coming to Madison.

I support the 115th Fighter Wing and F-35 mission. With Madison being chosen as the number one selection for the F-35 is a great honor. It will help provide job security for thousands of federal, state, and military employees who currently work there and will work there in the future. I am not worried about the noise of the F35s. For anyone who lives around the base/airport, they would know that the jets take off and land far less than any commercial aircraft. When I do hear the fighter jets in the air it gives me a sense of joy and happiness knowing the 115th Fighter Wing is in the sky training for readiness.

V/r
Janie Asberry

Veldran, Lisa

From: hobie@ultsoftware.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support the F-35 basing here in Madison

I live in Cherokee over by the airport, and I work at American Family. I love having the fighter jets here in Madison, it's one of the coolest things about living here by the airport. Please do not vote to remove them from our city. We regularly stop to watch them, even when I'm at work.

Thank you for your consideration

-- Richard Petty
5102 Comanche Way
Madison, WI 53704
608 279-3587

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kris Kreuger <krisk@fairwaymc.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support F-35 Mission

Council Members,

Please support the 115th Fighter Wing and F-35 base here in Madison. As a proud daughter of an Air Force veteran, I wholeheartedly support our military and especially our Air Force. I grew up on military bases. I know first hand the sound level of military fighter jets and can honestly say I've never lost a nights sleep because of the sound. Just like any level of noise, you can adjust to the sound. I have a brother who lives next to a railroad track and doesn't even notice the trains going by at night. Please support bringing these jets and associated jobs to Wisconsin and help prevent the possible closure of Truax in the future.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,
Kris Urban-Kreuger

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sherrie Volbrecht <2volbrechts@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:21 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution to Oppose

I am writing this note to voice my opposition to your Resolution to Oppose the addition of the F-35s at Truax Field. It is my understanding that the supporters of this initiative far outnumbered the detractors at last weeks meetings.

As so often happens in this city, the voices of opposition are in the vast minority but scream the loudest. See The Madison School Board meetings as an example.

I am asking that you OPPOSE this opposition resolution.

Sincerely,

Roger and Sherrie Volbrecht
5621 Rustic Woods Dr, Madison, WI 53716

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jessica Morrison <jessmorrison1234@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:22 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support bringing F-35s to Truax

I, as a Madison resident and Madison business owner, oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.

I support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

I appreciate the council making decisions that will positively affect our community, now and deep into the future, putting us all on the path to prosperity and security.

Respectfully,
Jessica Morrison

Veldran, Lisa

From: Robert Mahnke <bmahnke@mac.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:24 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

I am in favor of the F-35 being based out of Madison and support the 115th Fighter Wing

Not only is it awesome to see these magnificent aircraft fly, compared to the minimal amount of disruption that they cause, it is nice to know we are safer by having them here in the case of an emergency, and they support a huge number of tax paying jobs.

Keep the F-35 in Madison

Bob Mahnke

From: Robin Taylor <rtaylor@restainohomes.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:29 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: NO F-35s - in opposition

Hi there

My name is Robin Taylor, and I live on the near east side. I am also a realtor, and I was also a member of the CDA many years ago, as well as a teacher with the Madison Public Schools, also a long time ago.

I am writing today with all of those hats on to oppose the F35s coming here to Madison.

On a very personal level, I want to tell you that I play a game called Mahj Jongg with 5 other friends here in the city. We have been getting together every Monday afternoon for the past 20 years and enjoy a quiet social afternoon. We rotate houses, so every week we are at a different person's home. A few weeks ago, we were playing at someone's home in the Cherokee Condos location. The F-16s were doing some maneuvers, and I tell you that, whenever they flew over, it was heart stopping as well as conversation stopping = it was so loud and window shaking. Well, apparently, their decibel level is nothing compared to the F35's (apparently 47% louder). I also want to say, that 4 out of the 6 people in our group will be affected by the disruptive noise. The Cherokee dweller, a Maple Bluff dweller, and 2 near east side dwellers. And we won't be able to ask for Noise Abatement materials because we are too far from the required distance, but the noise will still be disruptive for my Monday afternoon games, 4 out of the 6 weeks of our cycle.

Now, I am changing hats to my Realtor hat to describe just one family. I have been contacted by past clients who bought a home in an area that they wanted to live in, but now will be deemed "uninhabitable" if the planes come here. They are besides themselves with stress and worry because their home is their home, as well as their investment, and their future is totally unknown to them at this point in time. This is only one family in the residential area that will be affected, which is HUGE. I don't know how a buy out will get calculated, and how fast that might happen, and whether it will be fair or not. (I just don't understand the trade off of displacing thousands of people, for what? We already have an outstanding National Guard that we are all proud of, and the studies don't show a huge economic gain. Plus, Madison is doing quite well in the jobs market/creation.) Not only the residential area will be directly affected, but also numerous schools. After all the fuss of where to site Madison College, the decision was made to site it out by the airport, and now students and staff will have to tolerate the distractions of all that noise if planes come here. I can tick off at least 6 elementary schools, at least 3 middle schools, and a high school that will also be affected. There has to be negative effects of noise on children/students as well as staff, during learning sessions, don't you think?

My CDA experience introduced me to the East Madison and Truax neighborhoods. I just want to say how impressive it is that the Neighborhood Center has become so strong and vibrant which took a lot of effort and hard work. I think that neighborhood would be in the "uninhabitable zone" and would, I guess, be displaced. What a shame!

Please veto the planes coming here. Madison is just not an appropriate location for them. I support the resolution to oppose the F-35s being housed here in Madison.

Thank you for your time.

Robin Taylor

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Robin Taylor
Restaino & Associates

2945 Monroe St
Madison, Wi 53711
608-576-6097

From: Ellen Barnard <cherokeemarsh@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:31 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: Requesting you officially oppose the siting of the F-35 fighter jets at Truax

Dear alders & Mayor Rhodes-Conway,

I am writing as a resident who will be affected by the F-35 noise if they site in Madison. While people argue that the noise is fleeting, they don't realize that part of the flight pattern has the planes circling over the Cherokee Marsh area and the noise still affects much of the far north side for the whole time of the run. This is already disruptive with the F-16s; I cannot imagine what 90% more noise would be like to live with.

Madison doesn't need the jobs, so the economic development argument is not a valid one. We are struggling with full employment and construction workers who want work can already have their pick.

Please ask that these planes be sited somewhere else, in an area where the sound will not affect so many residents adversely.

Thank you.

Ellen Barnard
925 Burning Wood Way
53704

From: Michael Johns <Farmerjohns@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:34 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 resolution

General Information

Name: Michael Johns
Address: 2135 Linden ave
City: Madison
State: Wi
ZIP: 53704
Phone:
Work Phone:
Email: Farmerjohns@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

My name is Michael Johns, and I live at 2135 Linden Ave. on Madison's near east side near the Barrymore Theater. I have been in this house since 1977.

I am asking all of the alders to support and vote for the resolution which is opposed to the Air National Guards F-35 expansion at Truax field.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Michael Johns

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Donna Abel <bnd.abel0527@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:35 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: 115tg Fighter Wing

I SUPPORT the 115th Fighter Wing And the F-14 mission.
Please vote accordingly.
Donna J Abel

Veldran, Lisa

From: Randy Gundlach <gundlfly@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:35 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

My wife and I were in Phoenix earlier this year and there was an article in the paper about the F-35's that are at that airbase. The reporter asked a question about the noise and those that complain about it. I do not recall who at the base was interviewed on this but the answer was....I tell those that complain about the noise that...**THAT IS THE SOUND OF FREEDOM.**

Enough said!

I oppose your resolution and fully support the selection of Madison as a home for the F-35 program.

Do what is right for your country, the state of Wisconsin, Dane County and Madison....support the **SOUND OF FREEDOM!**

Randy Gundlach

From: Jessica Dean <jessica.f.dean@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:36 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Oppose

Dear Alderpeople:

I respectfully:

- (1) Oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and
- (2) reinforce the OVERWHELMING local support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Furthermore, I've found the claims made by the opposing parties to be offensive and manipulative of the facts as presented by years of studies and reports.

As a fighter pilot spouse and one who works with military policy in my career, I've witnessed first hand how the F-35 can impact communities, such as those near Luke, Hill, and Eglin AFBs, and MCAS Beaufort, where my mother lives. Although each of these communities had significant apprehension before the 35 arrived, the impact has been nothing but an overall gain for each. You need only to ask residents around these bases how much they have benefited by becoming a base for the Lightning II.

It is wise to be cautious about taking on new responsibilities, such as being a base city for a new airframe. However, it is counterproductive to capitulate to the false claims of a minuscule but loud minority.

I hope you will make the correct decision - based upon an understanding of the careful and painstaking research presented over the past few years - and support the F-35 coming to Truax.

Very respectfully,

Jessica Dean

Veldran, Lisa

From: browneyes122901 <browneyes122901@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:36 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 Basing

I fully SUPPORT the basing of the F-35's at Truax. We need to support our military to provide jobs, training, and security to our state!!

I lived off Portage Road enduring the noise from Dane County Regional/Truax Field. Knowing the services Truax provides, I understand the noise and am comfortable with it.

Losing the planes will lead to losing our Guards, don't let that happen...

Christine Smith

Sent from my U.S.Cellular© Smartphone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Robert Abel <bnd.abel0527@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:37 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: 115th Fighter Wing

I support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mussion.

Please vote appropriately.

Thank You

Robert A Abel

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Veldran, Lisa

From: jim Kinney <jkinney35@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:38 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

I live in Cherokee and want the F35's at Truax Field.

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Paul Opper <thenuttycelt@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:40 PM
To: All Alders; badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 SUPPORT

Madison Alders, specifically Syed Abbas,

I am 100% in favor of the F-35 coming to Madison.

I am extremely disappointed with those of your spearheading the resolution to keep the F-35 from coming to Madison. I am a resident of the near East side in District 12, a member of the 115FW and live in the flight path of the airport.

BRING ON THE F-35!

Paul Opper

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jennifer Thompson <drjlt@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:44 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

To the Madison Aldermen,

I write to you in support of the F-35s basing at Truax. I live in the flight path of the airport air traffic. I can pick out my house from the air coming into land at Madison. I do not mind the noise the air traffic creates and it reminds me of the freedoms of which our country stands for and for which others have given their life defending.

Please continue to support the basing of the F-35s at Truax.

Jennifer Thompson, DVM

Sent from my U.S. Cellular® Smartphone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Connie Kilmark <connie@kilmark.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:44 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

I am opposed to the F-35's coming to Truax. The Madison Area Community Land Trust developed a significant number of housing units on the north side, specifically Camino del Sol and Troy Gardens Condominium Association. There are at least two households at Troy Gardens with members with very significant developmental disabilities. One of them is my daughter (my ward) who is challenged with autism and many other issues. The noise from these planes would be very hard for these fragile people with limited abilities to cope with the repeated assaultive noise events of these planes taking off and landing. The north and east sides have so much of the affordable and low income housing in our community. It is too much to ask of a dense residential area to sacrifice this much quality of life. Please don't ask some of our most diverse and lowest income residents to bear this burden.

Please support any effort to keep the F-35 from coming to Madison.

Connie Kilmark
1802 Winnebago Street
Madison, WI 53704

Constance M Kilmark
Kilmark & Associates, LLC
211 S. Paterson Street
Madison, WI. 53703
608 255-9500

Veldran, Lisa

From: Amy Arenz <amy.arenz@concerosearch.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:45 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 basing

Attention Alders-

I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing at Truax and strongly support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Best,
Amy

Amy Arenz
Concero
(608) 443-1641 – Direct
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301 S Livingston Street, Suite 200
Madison, WI 53703
(608) 443-1640 – General

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jeremy Phillips <jeremy.phillips.jp@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:49 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution opposing F35 basing

Alders,

I am against the resolution opposing F35 basing in Madison. I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing, who has historically been a great neighbor to the community and will continue to do so in the future. I am also for basing the F35 in Madison. Having this mission set secures the future of this base, as well as the economic impact they provide not only for Madison, but the people/families in the surrounding communities that work there. Additionally, the domestic support this unit provides for the state and local communities cannot be understated. Continued support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F35 Mission is vital to both the city of Madison and the state of Wisconsin.

Jeremy Phillips

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Troy Gibbs <troy.gibbs21@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Support

To whom it may concern,

I wanted to reach out to the members of the council and let them know I oppose any resolution against the F35's being stationed in Madison.

The number of high quality people and families that the base brings to the community cannot be overlooked. Their mission is critical and I support it 100%. They currently integrate into the community well and the economic and social loss to the community without them would be significant.

Feel free to contact me directly to discuss more, 608-469-6932.

Thank you,
Troy Gibbs

Veldran, Lisa

From: Micks GMail <armyg5driver@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:54 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I Oppose the Resolution to Not Support F-35 Basing at Traux Field

Madison Alders,

I am writing to express my sincere opposition to the proposed resolution to not support the basing of Air National Guard F-35's at Traux field. I also want to express my sincere desire that the proposed basing plan to Replace the 115th Fighter Squadron's F-16's with F-35's be supported to the best of the ability by the governments of the City of Madison, Dane County, and the State of Wisconsin.

It is inevitable that the Air Force must replace its aging fleet of F-16's and that replacement will be the F-35, therefore I feel it is necessary that the community must support this transition. The defense of the nation depends on our Guardsmen which require basing in areas of substantial population, such as Dane County. If Madison, Dane County, and Wisconsin can't support the F-35 stationing, and the Air National Guard mission, then they are just shirking their responsibility to support the Nation's defense and putting that burden on some other community, which is the lazy man's solution.

Please support the 115th FS and the F-35 basing plan at Traux Field!

Sincerely,

Michael Ferguson

From: Burkhart109 <burkhart109@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 5:58 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for the resolution against F-35

Dear Alders,

I am writing to express my support for the resolution in opposition to the F-35 warplanes being located at Truax field. The location of these warplanes will negatively impact the lives of thousands of people in our city. It will disproportionately impact communities of color and low income neighborhoods. This is not a positive economic development for our city. I thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Jeff Burkhart

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jill Jacklitz <jilljacklitz@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:01 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F-35s

Dear Alders,

I am writing to urge your support for the ORIGINAL resolution 57364 - that opposes bringing F-35 fighter jets to Truax in Madison.

I am an east side resident and the F-35s will have a direct impact on my family, neighborhood and potentially the value of my home. But, I was not really moved to speak out against the F-35s in light of the promised positive economic impact it would bring to our city as a whole. Sometimes we need to accept things in our own backyard if it brings needed benefit to others.

As I have learned about the disproportionate impacts the F-35s will have on people with low-income, people of color and children in Madison I am convinced that any potential benefits are not worth it. Madison's stock of affordable housing is already woefully insufficient. Anything that threatens to disrupt what we have, displacing my neighbors and asking them to shoulder the burdens of "economic progress" is not in any of our best interests.

Please oppose the F-35s at Truax!

Respectfully,

Jill Jacklitz
2706 Sommers Ave.

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Nathaniel Crase <nacrase@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:02 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support f-35's

Please support F-35s,

Thank you, Nathaniel Crase

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bill Rogers <bill6beers@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:05 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Say No to F-35s

Good day, Madison alders.

While my Madison home is far from the airport, my business will be adversely affected by increased noise from the new aircraft.

I own The Malt House at 2609 E Washington Ave, on the corner of East Washington and Milwaukee Streets. The experiences of our customers conversing out on our patio would be negatively affected by the increased noise. We are under the final approach for Truax, so we see and hear planes landing all the time. Commercial jets pose only a little threat to our peace, because the FAA regulates the noise levels they can produce. Military jets don't have to abide by those same standards. The F-16s are loud enough to disrupt conversation when they fly over us. I expect the F-35 impact to be worse.

I don't object to aircraft flying overhead. I've had a love of aircraft all my life, and like to watch the airliners on final approach overhead. We live in a city on purpose and must expect some traffic noise, both from vehicles and aircraft. But it's entirely reasonable to object to the *level* of that noise.

Please say NO to locating these new jets at Truax.

Thank you,
Bill Rogers
658 S. Midvale Blvd
Madison, WI53711

From: Devon Sperry <devonsperryphotography@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:08 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35 Program

Dear Alders,

I was born and raised in Evansville, just 20 minutes south of Madison. I was recently married and moved to Phoenix, Arizona where my husband serves as a dedicated crew chief in the USAF, currently traveling with the F-35 Lightning II Demonstration Team. I fully understand that people are concerned about the noise and environmental issues it brings. As someone who lives within minutes of an active duty Air Force Base I can speak to the fact that, yes, the aircraft is noisy but barely different to that of the current F-16s based at Truax Field.

Southern Wisconsin will always be our home, and knowing the POSITIVE impacts greatly outweigh the negative effects of bringing the F-35 Program to Wisconsin has brought me to write this email in full support of the 115th FW. I do not support the Resolution opposing the basing of the F-35, knowing the positive economic impacts and more this program will bring.

Wisconsinites have always prided themselves on living by the state motto, FORWARD, and this program will help us do that.

Thank you for your time.

Devon Sperry-Leuzinger

From: Gary Jugenheimer <gary.jugenheimer@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:10 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Asking Your Support for the Beddown of F-35 Aircraft in Madison

We as citizens of Madison are facing a terrific opportunity and a huge challenge. As my representative on the Common Council, I ask that you consider carefully your choice to support or not support the selection of Truex Field as the location for the 5th Operation Beddown. I am asking that you support this activity positively and vote yes for the following reasons:

-As a former Officer in the United States Army and a Vietnam Veteran, my experiences with our Armed Forces has given me faith that it is because of a strong desire to defend our Nation that young men and women are willing to serve and if necessary, give their life in support of our National defense.

-This would not be possible without the participation of 1% of our population in active Military Service. The 1% that is the US Army, US Air Force, United States Navy, Marine Corps, and the US Coast Guard. In this instance, the US Air Force through the Wisconsin Air National Guard, needs our support to provide a location to train highly motivated citizen/soldiers to fly and maintain the F-35 Aircraft.

-Madison has proved through the decades that it understands the need to have a base for Military aircraft by supporting various types of aircraft from propeller driven up to the current F-16 jet aircraft.

-Throughout history, Wisconsin has provided many of its citizens to protect our Nation and we have a proud heritage which can be observed at the Madison Veterans Museum. Wisconsin does not have much of a military footprint in our Nation. There is Camp McCoy, Volk Field., Truex Field and the 128th Refueling Wing located in Milwaukee. The tax dollars that return to Madison, Dane County and Wisconsin because of these installations are important streams of revenue, that if lost would put an additional burden on our citizens.

We need to work through the issues, the challenges before us of the possibility of increased noise, the perception of decreased property values of homes in proximity to the airport, and the perception that an increased military footprint will in some way have a negative impact on our quality of life in Madison. I truly feel that with unbiased discussion and working to achieve agreement on both sides of these issues we as citizens of Madison will continue to support the Air National Guard in its mission.

Thank you for reading my email of support,

Gary

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Herfrank Loyo <herfrank2008@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:12 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 support

I fully support the F-35s and the economic impact is substantial. Keep Truax alive! Emai



Veldran, Lisa

From: Isabel Spooner-Harvey <isabel.spooner.harvey@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:12 PM
To: Mayor
Cc: All Alders
Subject: F35 jets

Please support the resolution to oppose the siting of F35 fighter jets at Truax Field.

Sincerely,

Isabel Spooner-Harvey
3829 Busse Street
Madison

From: Caitlin Williamson <caitlin.e.williamson@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:12 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Opposing F35s

Dear Mayor Rhodes-Conway and City of Madison Alders,

I am writing to strongly voice my opposition to the F-35 proposal for Madison. I am already impacted by the military jets that fly over Madison, and my family and I continue to be startled when they fly overhead. They are disrupting and even frightening at times. The addition of the F-35 military jets per the proposal will increase noise in our city, and disproportionately in our city's communities of color, and for other disadvantaged populations in Madison. I strongly urge you to oppose this proposal.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Caitlin Williamson
1000 E. Johnson St.
Madison, WI 53703

From: Holly Hampton <holly.h.hampton@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:13 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for the F-35

Dear Alderpersons,

I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing. I am reinforcing my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and F-35 mission.

I lived in Madison for 8 years before moving this year to Janesville. I lived on Elmside Boulevard and Ridgeway Avenue. I lived on the flight path of commercial traffic and I would have to stop conversations and plug my ears while sitting on my deck. Of course, I had to do the same for the jets.

I still work in Madison and spend a lot of time on the near east side. I still stop conversations and plug my ears when the jets fly by. I do the same for police and ambulance sirens. I consider noise part of living in the city.

The region is growing and I think that Truax should grow along with it.

Sincerely,
Holly Hampton

From: Sarah Wright <sdwright79@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support the resolution opposing the addition of F35s at Truax

Dear Members of the Common Council,

I am writing in support of the Resolution introduced by my alder, Syed Abbas, and colleagues on the east and north sides of Madison. As a resident who is already affected by the noise pollution from the airport, I am concerned about the anticipated effects of the F35s (my young son is terrified of the F16s and I can only imagine how much louder it will get). Most importantly, the EIS points out that the detrimental effects on public health will be disproportionately felt by lower income communities and people of color. That is simply unacceptable.

Thank you for listening, and please support the resolution tomorrow

Sincerely,
Sarah Wright
2625 Scofield St
Madison WI 53704

From: Victor Toniolo <vatoniolo@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:16 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 fighter jet resolution

General Information

Name: Victor Toniolo
Address: 111 N Hamilton St # 201
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53703
Phone:
Work Phone:
Email: vatoniolo@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I am writing to urge the council to oppose the resolution to oppose the F-35 fighter jets i.e. to vote in favor of bringing the F-35s to the 115th fighter wing in Madison. I've reviewed the draft EIS and believe that the largest issue noise can be addressed by working with the FAA to implement noise abatement/mitigation. This is something the city can also take on independently if they want to bring the noise levels down below 65 dB DNL, which I believe would be a good idea if the council cared about noise levels.

I would be curious to measure the DNL for some other areas in Madison. Those near train crossings surely must approach the noise levels at the airport, and short term noise pollution from concerts and cowbells don't get me started are easily worse than typical airport noise.

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bernie <br0914@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:16 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support F35's

Dear Alders,

As a long time citizen of Dane County and a retired employee of Dane County I strongly support the addition of the F 35s to Truax Field. The F 35 will be an economic benefit to the City and the County. In addition the bases that get the F 35s and their surrounding communities will have a very prestigious image in the Country. I hope that you will oppose any resolution that is against the F35s and in fact will support the addition of this valuable part of the defense of our Country.

Sincerely

Bernie Reinfeldt
Br0914@aol.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kristi Seifert <Kristi2184@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:18 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Location

Dear Friends: Please support the resolution against the siting of F-35 jets at Truax Field. I do not believe the noise impact assessment has been fully explored. Thanks for your support of the resolution. Kristi Seifert, 125 Division Street, (608) 244-7136

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Wally Garlock <wgarlock@silverlakeauto.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:19 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Fwd: F-35

Please do not oppose the Basing of F-35's in Madison...
I don't believe you would have made that decision on 9-12 after the fall of the towers...
Walter Garlock

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Warrior Communication LLC.
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Veldran, Lisa

From: Z Schlimgen <livingpremium4life@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:25 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

To whom it may concern;

I want to make you aware of my opposition to the resolution opposing the f35 basing.

It's an honor to have this opportunity in our community. At this time we should be embracing this on every level. I have worked for 20+ years right next to the airport and the people complaining are simply doing it to cause trouble. The planes do not cause that much of a disruption to day to day life. Please consider doing the right thing and stopping this resolution.

Sincerely
Kari Schlimgen.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Chad Plageman <chadplags@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:32 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badger@gmail.com

To Whom It May Concern-

My name I Chad Plageman and I live near Truax. I'm writing to demonstrate my support for the housing of the F-35 fighters here in our community. While I certainly appreciate concerns surrounding noise, the price of freedom isn't always convenient. It's time we stop allowing a vocal minority to dictate what happens in our community. It's utter nonsense. Thanks for your time.

Chad Plageman

Veldran, Lisa

From: kathy Duffy <wishtoretire133@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:32 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

What is wrong with you all?

Because of this awesome base it is a Blessing to have them here! The 115th Wing has a wonderful record of helping to keep this Country Free!

Without them I shudder to think where this Country would be!

We live in the takeoff and landing area and every time I hear them I am so thankful as I know we are safe with this quality of Air Power here!

My 7 year old granddaughter says it best! The sound of Freedom!

I support the 115th 1000%!

Don't make the mistake of letting them go!

And the economic impact that there will be if you do let them go!

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sharon Kilfoy <sharon@willyart.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:33 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Rep.Taylor@legis.wisconsin.gov
Subject: F-35's Are Unacceptable for Madison's East Side

Hi all,
We are happy to continue to host you all at the Willy St Fair, the myriad events at McPike Park, the ever increasingly popular Breese Stevens – and let's not forget the Sylvee.
Need-less-to-say, the noise level has increased correspondingly.
We even tolerate flight paths of commercial planes and the current fighter planes now at Truax.

But, please, enough is enough.
I urge you to listen to those who are telling you that the proposed noise levels will be unacceptable – especially for low-income east side neighbors – and vote to against F-35's at Truax.

Thanks
Sharon Kilfoy
Director
Williamson St Art Center
1020 Williamson St
Madison, WI 53703
608-658-3736
www.willyart.net

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bob Klebba <bob.klebba@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:45 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Fwd: Truax, F-35

Hi All:

There are several things about the siting of the F-35s at Truax that bother me.

- the noise
- the disproportionate deleterious impact on lower income people and on people of color
- the lack of commitment from the federal and state governments to address the impact on the City's residents
- the false perception that the F-16s will go away if the F-35s aren't located at Truax
- the nuclear capability of the F-35
- the astronomical expense of the F-35 program

We are blessed to live in a city with a healthy economy. Our county airport is very well funded through its own special tax levy. We do not need the incremental business and support that is promised with the siting of F-35 in our community.

I strongly urge you to support the resolution in opposition to the F-35s in Madison.

best, Bob

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Bob Klebba
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Veldran, Lisa

From: Jack Barker <jlbarker@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:47 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: f-35

Please stop this from happening. I am on the edge of the "danger " zone and do not want these things flying over my home. STOP THIS FROM HAPPENING

Jack Barker
430 Oak St.
Madison

From: KATIE LAUFENBERG <kjlaufenberg@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:48 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Support the common council resolution to OPPOSE the F-35s

I'm a resident on the east side of Madison at 3311 Ivy St. I oppose the proposed beddown of F-35s at Truax, for many reasons.

The disproportionate impact on people of color, low income households and children makes Truax an inappropriate choice.

The increased noise and frequency of flights will be disturbing to me and my neighbors, decreasing house values and interrupting people like me that work from home.

I believe the EIS could have underestimated the geographic boundaries of noise impact since it was based on modeling and not actual measurements. I am skeptical of the decibals reported since the current F-16s are much louder than a vacuum cleaner.

The EIS neglected to assess the GHG emissions associated with the project and flights which will contribute to dangerous climate change.

Please pass the resolution to oppose the F-35s.

Thank you!

Katie Laufenberg
3311 Ivy St
Madison WI 53714

From: Pam Treige <ptreige@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:49 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 @ Truax

Dear Madison Alders,

I want to express my support for the new F-35 to be based at Truax. I am a business owner within a few miles of the airport & I live in the flight paths. Do we hear the F-16's now, yes, along with many commercial & private planes / jets. Although we hear them (F-16) at work & at home it MAY be once or twice a day but more often a few times a week & generally during waking hours. I hear commercial airlines much more often & all times of the day & night. Madison should be proud that we're even in the running for housing these jets here. Having the f-35 here in Madison would bring in more quality jobs & should be looked at as a positive addition to this city, not to mention support of the men & women that protect this country.

I urge the Alders on the Madison City Council to vote against the resolution opposing the F-35 base & to do everything in their power to encourage bringing the F-35 to Madison.

Regards,

Pam Treige

From: Larry Pensinger <lapensinger@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 6:54 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support the F-35s

I support the need for the deployment of the F-35s in Madison and the surrounding area. It is important for the local economy. It is also important for our national defense in a time when there are aggressive nations that threaten the peace in the world. The United States is the primary force to check these aggressive nations. Technology is becoming ultra important for this defense. Madison needs to do its part and not cry not in my backyard.

Larry Pensinger

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jeff Baum <jeff.baum@wisconsinaviation.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:01 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Resolution

Honored Alders:

As President of Wisconsin Aviation, I strongly encourage you to vote down the resolution opposing the basing of the F-35's in Madison. While Wisconsin Aviation does little direct business with the 115th Fighter Wing, I assure you the significant military transit aircraft that come to Madison at least in part because of the 115th are very important to the 95 employees of Wisconsin Aviation Madison. In addition, these transient crews very much enjoy spending time (and money) in Madison, a fact often overlooked.

Besides the obvious economic and patriotic reasons, so many people greatly enjoy seeing these great planes flying in our area. While we often hear from a very vocal opposing minority, I believe there is a great silent majority that appreciates the sight and sound of freedom that our Air Guard represents. Please do not turn your backs on the very people that serve to protect us all.

Thank you for your service to the community and your consideration of this issue.

Jeff Baum

Jeff Baum
President / CEO
Wisconsin Aviation
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WisconsinAviation.com



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Veldran, Lisa

From: Laurel R. S. <laurelruthsampson@live.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:02 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: ***Resolution to oppose the F-35 Basing at Truax Air Base NEEDED***

Dear Alders,

I am writing to URGE you to support the ORIGINAL Resolution (#57364v2) that the Common Council does NOT SUPPORT the selection of TRUAX Field for the F-35 basing.

Thank you for your time,

Laurel Sampson
Nancy Lane,
Northside Community Member

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tim Guzman <tim_guzman@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:06 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: I support the F-35 at Truax Field

I support the F-35 being in Madison. I am against the resolution opposing the F-35 basing in Madison. We need this for our economy and for our Air National Guard.

Tim GUZMAN

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jim Pearson <pearson.jim.j@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:11 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution Opposing F-35s #57364v2

Please support the original resolution with the language that the Madison Common Council does not support the selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the 5th Operation Beddown.

Sincerely,

Jim Pearson
917 Nancy Lane
Madison, Wi 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: snyds1@charter.net
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:11 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Do not oppose the F-35 Basing

Madison wants and needs the F-35 Base. When the planes started flying right after 9/11 there was an issue in the skies over Chicago. It was the Madison Base that sent fighters to the air. It turned out to be a false alarm, but next time it might not. Protect our skies and allow the F-35s to be based in Madison. I live minutes away from the airport, yes it is sometimes loud, but I feel safer with those planes based thee.

Brian Sniadach

From: Joe De Maio <joedm4@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:16 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: we don't need/want f-35's

From: Tim Moye <tjmoye@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:19 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

General Information

Name: Tim Moye
Address: 138 W Gorham St
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53703
Phone: 608-255-9260
Work Phone:
Email: tjmoye@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I'm very happy to hear that the City Council is proposing a resolution to OPPOSE the F-35 being stationed at Truax. I hope our alders will support the residents who will be most affected by the flights and the rest of us who must continue to pay for this trillion dollar dysfunctional arms boondoggle by supporting the resolution against accepting the F-35s.
Thank you, Tim Moye

Recipient:
All Alders

From: Ann Chavez <reporting@cityofmadison.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:21 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Fighters

General Information

Name: Ann Chavez
Address: 3730 ZWERG Dr.
City: Madison
State: Wi
ZIP: 53705
Phone:
Work Phone:
Email:
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Please oppose these planes becoming part of the Madison landscape. No one who lives in the city will be unaffected.
Thank you.

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: john mcneill <bugjetdjonn@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:25 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s at Truax Field

Dear Alderpeople,

Please don't allow F-35 jets to reside at Truax field. The disruption to the environment both on a sonic level and ecologically isn't worth it to the city of Madison and its outlying areas. There is nothing gained by allowing them access to Truax.

respectfully,
John H. McNeill

The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep, And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep.

From: Jim Davis <jimd4256@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:36 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

To all the Commies Opposing the F-35 Basing. You have bought hook line and SINKER, The demo-crats make American a THIRD WORLD COUNTRY Again. What is next GUN control? OH I forgot BETO, Just said HELL YES.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Nicole Moore <nikkijomoore@me.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:39 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support F-35

Please oppose the resolution that is in opposition of the F-35. The tremendous positive impact this will create for the Madison economy is incredible. Madison needs the acquisition of the F-35!

I support the 115th Fighter Wing and I support the acquisition of the F35 to Truax Field.

Thank you

Nikki Moore

From: Sunshine Jones <sunshinedjones@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:42 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Vote yes for the Common Council Resolution Opposing F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field

Sunshine Jones and Joann Kelley

4333 Crawford Drive

Madison, Wisconsin 53711

sunshinedjones@gmail.com

To Madison City Alders,

We are writing to ask Madison Alders to stand for the common good, safety and welfare of all of Madison's residents by fully supporting the Common Council Resolution Opposing the F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field and to NOT accept watered down resolutions.

We strongly oppose the environmental racism this project promotes:

The Wisconsin base at Truax Field would receive a squadron of 18 fighter jets. Of the five sites evaluated in the EIS, Truax Field has the greatest environmental justice and health impacts due the low-income and racial minority families that live adjacent to the county airport and thousands of residents who live on the east and north sides of Madison. Environmental impacts below:

- The Air Force itself admits in their EIS that the noise near the airport will be so bad that it will be "incompatible" for many low-income people who reside there.
- **The Air Force has not yet provided funds to study or clean-up the PFAS** from fire-fighting foam and other chemicals that have already been used. These chemicals have leached into the soil at the Air Force base, causing the city to shut down Well 15.
- **The F-35s use a toxic "stealth coating"** to evade radar that is a paint that must be reapplied whenever it chips off.
- **Noise levels** at take-off and landing are at a level dangerous to children and vulnerable adults. Studies have shown effects to internal organs and to learning.
- **No analysis has been done** for numerous hazardous air pollutants regulated by the EPA/DNR.
- **Air and water quality** near the base will be compromised.

We remember well the alluded to jobs and promises of mitigation of toxins to Allied Drive families when the DOT backed by Madison chose to increase the volume of traffic going through the Allied Drive Neighborhood for the Verona Road Expansion Project without seriously considering alternatives. Neither jobs or mitigation for the neighborhood materialized, resulting in the Allied Drive neighborhood becoming one of the most polluted traffic corridors in the city. While City Alders sought to reassure our neighbors that great efforts would be made to mitigate the environmental toxins pouring into their windows each day, the noise making it difficult for children to concentrate, the toxins compounding health challenges, the community continues to carry the burden.

Choices about environmental racism are here again. This time, I ask that you chose differently.

Further, we do not want to live in a city where jets can carry two nuclear warheads up to four times more powerful than the bombs that destroyed Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which caused hundreds of thousands of deaths. Even the smallest nuclear warheads, the B61-12, would cause complete devastation to structures and kill everyone in the primary target area. They are particularly dangerous because too many of our national elected officials including our President have expressed willingness to use them. Whether an accident or by choice, radiation extends further out and causes radiation sickness, injury and death on the periphery. Wind conditions can further spread radiation. The U.S. is the only country that has used nuclear weapons, completely destroying the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki at the end of World War II. Japanese people are still struggling with the aftermath, nearly 75 years later.

Moreover, Madison could become a target of attacks to disable our first-strike capacity.

Let us instead, invest in clean energy, public education, and health care that will create twice as many jobs as similar spending on the military.

From: Suzanne Stadtmueller <suzannestadtmueller@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:42 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Fw: Fwd: F35s

We support the F-35 Mission and support the 115th Fighter Wing and the economic impact it will make on the community. Madison is growing it's the place to be. If you talk about noise Stop The Highway Traffic noise that is awful. Planes ✈ come and go.

Sent from my iPhone
Suzanne Stadtmueller

From: KarenC <karenc3415@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:47 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposed to F-35s at Truax

To all Alders of the City of Madison, with apologies to Marsha Rummel, to whom I sent an individual email earlier today:

I am writing to voice my strong opposition to having F-35s at Truax Field in Madison.
Here's why:

- 1) F-35s will increase air pollution by releasing volatile organic compounds, carbon monoxide, nitrous oxide, sulfur dioxide, carbon dioxide, lead and large and small particulates.
- 2) F-35s will increase noise pollution. Noise pollution beyond a certain level is not merely unpleasant to many people. It is also harmful to human health. That's why the EPA recommends an average noise level no higher than 55 decibels. F-35's are expected to generate 115 decibels of noise during takeoffs and fly-overs. Noise at this level is particularly harmful to children, as the Air Force itself has acknowledged. Studies have shown that repeated, direct blasting of children with aircraft noise degrades reading attention, problem solving and memory. There are 7 schools on the periphery of Truax Air Force Base and all the children who attend those schools will be subjected to such blasting.
- 3) F-35s will inflict disproportionate damage on the most vulnerable. Many of the neighborhoods near the base suffer from high levels of poverty. In addition, some have large minority populations. Deploying F-35s at Truax will perpetuate the widespread but unjust practice of ignoring the well-being of the most vulnerable among us.
- 4) F35s will be able to carry B61-12 guided nuclear bombs in some cases. The Defense Department has designated the F-35 as a part of its strategic nuclear bomber force. If the F-35s deployed at Truax are capable of carrying nuclear weapons and are assigned a nuclear mission, Madison would become a target in nuclear war.
- 5) The production and deployment of F-35 weapons system, which is estimated to cost 1.5 trillion dollars in total, will significantly increase the size and power of what President Eisenhower called the Military-Industrial Complex. Sixty years ago, he warned us of the dangers of this Complex, which has now grown beyond anything he could have imagined. The 2019 Federal Budget appropriates approximately 54% of the nation's discretionary funds for defense—an amount equal to the next 7 highest military budgets combined. As long as we continue to invest such enormous sums in the continually expanding Military-Industrial establishment we will lack the funds needed to meet our nation's urgent needs in health care, social security, education, and the environment.

Karen Cornelius
426 Clemons Ave
Madison, WI 53704

From: Anna Bakken <lefsegundy@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:47 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Save the F35 'S !!!

From: Daryl Sherman <snippetswi@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:47 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

Dear Council Members,

I have been following the controversy over the stationing of F-35s at Truax Field for some time. I had no opinion pro or con initially but after reading, studying and reflecting on the F-35 I have come to the conclusion they should not be based anywhere, as a destabilizing, nuclear capable, weapon.

I realize this is far beyond your purview but the noise they would produce, the number of homes they would make untenable, the children whose development they would negatively affect, the schools they would disrupt, the toxic chemicals their operation would leave behind (PFAS's, anyone?), the nuclear target they would make us . . . all for a disputed but not very substantial number of jobs.

The military does not build confidence in their presentation. Stating that the decibel number is 65 averaged over a 24 hour period,(though they hide this in their code) is meaningless. " The average temperature of the building over the past 24 hours was only 85degrees (though the peak temperature was 149") is a seriously misleading statement.

Please oppose the stationing of F-35s at Truax Field.

Sincerely,
Daryl K. Sherman
3106 Gregory St.
Madison WI 53711
608 238 5106

Veldran, Lisa

From: Darin Zak <zak54177@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:48 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Please opposes the resolution

To All the Madison Alders , Pleae consider , Opposing the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and (2) reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Thanks for your Support.
Darin Zak

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad](#)

From: Matthew Becker <mattbecker2000@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:55 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

General Information

Name: Matthew Becker
Address: 246 Division St
City: Madison
State: Wi
ZIP: 53704
Phone:
Work Phone:
Email: mattbecker2000@hotmail.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I am writing to express my opposition to the expansion of the F 35 fleet based on the impacts to the environment, the disproportionate impact to low income and racially and ethnically diverse populations, and the overall negative changes noise, property value, etc it will make to our local community. I urge you to do the same and appreciate your attention in this matter.

Thank you,
Matt

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Judith and Richard Ela <eeze2@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:55 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F 35 mission

I opposed the resolution which is against the F 35 being based in Madison, and I support the 115th fighter wing and the basing of the F 35 in Madison.

Richard Ela
1630 Sherman Ave.
Madison, WI 53704

eeze2@yahoo.com
608-320-0414

Veldran, Lisa

From: Richard Breister <rbreister@att.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:55 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support for F-35

I strongly support Truax Field and the F-35.
I would appreciate your support as well.
Respectfully
Richard Breister

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Veldran, Lisa

From: Roger Allen <eberg150@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:55 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Basing Resolution

To The Alders of The City of Madison,

We ask that you vote **AGAINST** the Resolution of Opposing the Basing of the F-35 and by doing so, you will show your continued support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 Mission.

Thank You,

Roger Allen
Proud Father of a Lt. Colonel Guardsman from the Madison Guard Unit.

From: Sam Mountjoy <smountjoy2323@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 7:55 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basin.

I live in Slinger Wisconsin. I 100% support our military. My daughter is a Marine and my son in law is a Wisconsin National Guard member and is currently deployed. I do not understand why Madison would not want F-35's stationed there? Please oppose the resolution that opposes F-35's in Madison.

Thank you,

Sam Mountjoy

From: David Tuschel <dtuschel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:03 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: Support of F-35 and Tuesday Vote

Dear Alders of Madison,

I am a resident of the City of Madison (901 Meadowlark Dr., Madison, WI 53714) and I am writing in support of the 115th Fighter Wing and their F-35 mission. I am in favor of the upgrade to F-35s in the Madison Fighter Wing. I support the economic development to Madison that the F-35 upgrade will bring.

I understand that there is a resolution against the new F-35s and that it will be proposed on Tuesday. As a strong supporter of our 115th Fighter Wing, I ask that you oppose the resolution against the F-35 mission. Thank you.

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David Tuschel
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Chemistry, Physics and Spectroscopy

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Elena Hargraves <elenahargraves@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:04 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: 115th Fighter Wing & F-35 mission

To Whom It May Concern

I am writing to let you know I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing. I am also reinforcing my support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

Best,
Elena Hargraves
Dane County Resident

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: Nancy Sloan <nancysloan305@att.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:05 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 Jets

The Madison area is not an appropriate place to expand Truax Field to support the F35 Jets. The airfield is too close to established neighborhoods and schools. Very few people will find the area desirable to live, due to increased noise. Property values will decrease substantially, home and business establishments will decline. Over time the increased noise level will affect the nervous systems of people. Especially at risk are the young, aged, and people with disabilities. A serious aviation operation with the F35's belong in an area that is away from civilians, with the ability to expand as needed. The military will continue to expand it's base as technology grows, it does not fit in our community.

If the flyovers were above the Edgewood neighborhood, this would be a mute point.

Respectfully:
Mike and Nancy Sloan
305 South Few Street
Madison, Wisconsin 53703
608-256-8298

Veldran, Lisa

From: Daniela Rumpf <darumpf@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: In support of resolution to oppose F-35s for Truax

Dear Alders,

I'm writing to let you know that I support the resolution to oppose F-35 fighter jets for Truax field. I live in Emerson East and my family's quality of life would be directly negatively impacted by the jets.

Thank you,
Daniela Rumpf

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

From: Jay Aviate <jayaviate@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

Sent from my iPhone I lived on Basil drive for 8 years. The FedEx cargo planes made more noise than the F16. You need to remove the politics and anti-military feelings and look at the facts. Have any of you even heard an F-35???? The base has been an awesome neighbor and the loss of jobs etc would not be good. Reminds me of people that move by railroad tracks and then complain about train horns. It's about FACTS and not emotion! For once in your lives listen to the real facts and do your due diligence and leave sentiment and emotion out of it. Jon Hergenrother.

From: Mike Fujihira <combatscout@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:15 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

Just wanting to send an email here as I've heard that some of you have authored a resolution opposing the F-35 basing here in Madison.

Unless you're un-American and are opposed to Freedom, I can't see how this is. I live plenty close to Truax to hear the current fighter jets and I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing and our base being switched over to F-35s.

Mike

Veldran, Lisa

From: cmilne94@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:16 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Bring F-35 to Madison

Dear Alders

I am in support of the F-35 coming to our great city of Madison and state!

Chad Milne

Sent from my iPhone

From: Jim & Julie Barker <jnjbarker@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:28 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

Hello,

I am a Wisconsin resident writing in support of the F 35 and I oppose the Resolution that opposed the F 35. I support the 115th fighter wing and the F 35 mission. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you.
Julie Barker
608-436-4930

Veldran, Lisa

From: ANDREA MICHELE WEILER <andrea.weiler@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:20 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Vote against F35 jets

Hello,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the F35 jets. They have no place in Madison! The small economic benefit they offer is not nearly enough to make up for the huge negative impact they will have. I am appalled by the number of houses that will be uninhabitable and the even greater number of homes that will be affected that are not considered for any sort of remediation. Of course this mostly applies to low income housing. We live near Olbrich Gardens, which is somehow outside of the affected area, but I can assure you that we will be very impacted. My 3 year old son already sometimes cries when the F16s fly over. I am terrified to think about the F35s. Please do not let these jets take away from my love of Madison.

Andrea Weiler

Sent from my iPhone

From: Rich Schulenberg <r.s@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:24 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support of the F-35 at TRUAX

To All of the city Alders of Madison,

I Oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing.

I support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission 100%.

I have lived on the north side of Madison for around 50 years(Northwestern Ave., Troy Dr., Browning Rd., Elliot Ln., Delaware Blvd). and the house I live in now in which was the last house my parents owned 1.4 miles from the air port/TRUAX . I do not consider my house or my neighborhood low income or a disadvantage like some alders are saying of this side to town. I don't remember ever hearing anything about the noise after 9-11 with all the jets taking off at least 2 times a week at night to protect us when we did not know what was going on. I think it is pretty sad when the city you live in doesn't support the Armed Forces that also live and work here to protect our Country.

From: Janet Wrend Cleary <jrwrend@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:33 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35

To our Alders

I am in FAVOR of the F-35s coming to Truax. There is no real solid reason to oppose this.

Truax has been here longer than a lot of us have lived here. It is and always will be a military base. It is also a growing airport in general. This is only a plus to our economy to bring these jets to Madison.

I love the sound of Freedom of the F-16s flying over. It gives us a lot of security knowing we have the 115th Fighter Wing here and all the great men & women who serve & protect us!

As far as the concern for noise levels, there isn't a great deal of difference between the 2 aircrafts and these are faster planes that will be up and out in no time.

The airport/base were here first. When you live by an airport you will have noise from the planes. Stop using that as the excuse not to bring them here.

I miss hearing the sounds of these jets flying over since I moved to the west side. I do get to hear them once in a while but not like I used to.

All my friends and family are in support of the F-35s. Start listening to us and take advantage of the opportunity to strengthen our economy.

Stop opposing and start supporting!

Sincerely,
Janet R Wrend-Cleary
Proud supporter of the F-35s coming to Madison



Veldran, Lisa

From: SUSAN PASTOR <skpastor@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:34 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: Oppose F35s for Equity, Housing, Health and Environment

As elected officials in the City of Madison, you have responsibilities for public safety, public health, housing stock, drinking water, as well as overarching concern for eliminating racial disparities and the overall quality of life. You want, and we who live here want, this to be a good place to live.

Siting of the F35s at Truax mocks commitment to equity, compromises well-being, and has a negative impact with regard to all of the areas listed above. This negative impact is not a figment of F 35 opponents' imagination .. it is documented in the ANG's EIS and the city's staff report.

The negative impact will extend to the property tax base that provides our public revenue. I live on the edge of the 65-60 db DNL zone. I have no idea how I could sell my house without disclosing this and the impending 47% more flights. Who would want to purchase it? I could tell buyers that they would be hearing a vacuum cleaner, but it's not a vacuum cleaner. You can unplug the vacuum cleaner. That's also not a fair assessment of the noise. No one will be hearing an average noise of 55-60 db - a level at which some airports provide mitigation. Except to the outdoors, and sadly we, especially children, already spend too little time outdoors.

No, the DNL is misleading - we should be talking about the single loudest events. My neighbors' DB app registers 80 for the F16s. And we are not in the most impacted area identified by the noise contour map. We are east of Truax Apts, across Stoughton Rd.

How many reasons do you need to take this important stand? And by the way, would you encourage city residents not to take a stand on issues where they don't have the final say? If you believe there is no point in speaking if you don't have final authority, that is an ironic commentary on all the efforts to get people to participate in local government.

Thank you all for reading this and deep gratitude to those of you who worked on and have sponsored the resolution to oppose basing the F35s here. It is a basic principle of justice to prioritize the perspective of those who are most affected and most vulnerable.

Sue Pastor
2502 Green Ridge Dr.

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Bart <bartvanroo@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:35 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35 support

I grew up most of my life in Cherokee and have worked and lived on the North side almost all of my life. I am sad that in the weeks after the September 11 anniversary the city is taking up a resolution like this. I am a support of basing the F35 but think that saying we won't lose jobs is short sighted! If we think the Air Force will base another flying mission in Madison once the F16 leaves we are not thinking long term. This type of thinking probably caused the loss of Oscar Meyer which was the other large North Side employer when I was growing up. Please consider all that the 115th does as a good neighbor for us in the city before you pass this resolution.

Bart Van Roo

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Darby Puglielli <darby.puglielli@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:37 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: NO F-35s!

General Information

Name: Darby Puglielli
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City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53703
Phone: 608-294-0358
Work Phone: 608-294-0358
Email: darby.puglielli@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

To whomever has the power to stop the F-35s from coming to Madison, please stop them!
Thank you,
Darby

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Katherine Klein <kklein12@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:37 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35's

Dear Alders,

I am writing to you today to oppose the resolution that opposes basing the F-35's at Truax Field.

I also support the 115th fighter wing and the mission it represents to our community and nation.

The jets currently fly over my home and frankly, I'm not annoyed by it, it gives me chills. To me, it's the sound of freedom.
USUSUS

Regards,

Katherine Klein

Veldran, Lisa

From: Brian Hackman <brian.hackman@att.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:39 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Fighter Support

Dear Alders for the City of Madison,

As a citizen who lives within good ear shot of the airport on the Northeast side of Madison, I support the ability of our Air Force to bring in highly technical and new equipment being supplied with the proposed F-35 fighters to replace our ANG's aging F-16 fleet. Our City has held the honor of being an air force outpost for many decades now. I see no reason we should not remain a national leader in this area.

Please continue, as City, to encourage the use of the F-35 out of Truax Field (or otherwise known as the Dane County Regional Airport) and support the educated/trained people that help fight for protecting our freedoms, Constitution, and Nation. There is no need for the City to get in the way of our National interests.

I have seen these planes fly into our county's airport in mid-August and actually had to point them out to others because they were sooo quiet on landing.

Please do your duty / diligence and tour the facilities and talk with the people who manage this equipment so you can see what these hard working people are doing for us all.

Brian Hackman
5210 Oak Valley Drive
Zip: 53704
Ph: 608-332-3323

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Douglas Haynes <douglashay@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:45 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support resolution to oppose F-35s

General Information

Name: Douglas Haynes
Address: 146 Harding St.
City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53714
Phone: 608-819-6519
Work Phone:
Email: douglashay@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Dear Alders,

I am writing to urge you to support the Common Council resolution to oppose the siting of F-35 fighter jets at Truax Field. These jets would make substantial areas of the North and East Sides of Madison profoundly difficult to live in and impair student learning at area schools. As a parent of two small children living on the East Side and already suffering from the noise of the existing military jets, I find these outcomes simply unacceptable. More and more scientific research about the negative effects of noise pollution on human health also makes me extremely concerned about the F-35s potential impacts on our community.

The additional noise that these jets would cause would make it impossible to put children to bed and have open windows in parts of the city this is already often very difficult with the existing jets. This is also unacceptable.

Finally, the presence of the existing jets has led to a water contamination problem on the East Side, and the city of Madison has received no reassurance that this issue wouldn't be continued or worsened with the F-35s.

Please strongly support the resolution to oppose the F-35s at the meeting on September 17th. We need your voices to stand up for safe, livable communities on the North and East Sides, among the few parts of Madison that are still affordable for working class and middle class people.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Cory Collard <ccollard@alumni.nmu.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:46 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35

I would like to hear why you are opposing this? Not only does it secure Madison and the local areas with security, but it continues to maintain job security within our communities. I don't want to hear about the whole noise issue, because flights daily in and out of Madison create these issues. Wouldn't you as Alders feel better sleeping at night knowing the best we have for national defense is protecting you and our families; I surely would.

Veldran, Lisa

From: Daniel Allen <danallen3915@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:47 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com; Heidi Hessel Allen
Subject: Opposition of F-35 opposition resolution

Good evening,

I am writing you to oppose your resolution to oppose the basing of the F-35s in Madison.

I am opposing this resolution because there is no logic in it.

I understand part of the opposition is due to noise. There are currently multiple flights a day out of Madison with heavy jets; A320, B737, B717, and multiple regional jets. The F-35s will most likely operate on a similar schedule to the F-16s with two to three sorties a day (typically at 0900 and 1300 and maybe a night flight). The amount of noise is limited to take off and landing which is very minimal and similar to exactly what is happening and has happened for many years. Will that little POSSIBLE increase in noise really effecting citizens on a daily basis? Or is it the noise of the few constituents that make the loudest noise themselves. Is this whole issue in fact about noise of jets or noise of your voting group?

I hope you will consider logic instead of votes. The EISs have already spelled it out for you. It seems as though in today's politically charged climate the loudest voice gets what they want because they will be the ones to vote. However, the loudest are not always the most logic in understanding the benefits of the 115th receiving the newest jets of the Air Force, one of very few Air Guard units to receive it. They reached this possible selection because of their impeccable record, which Madison should be proud of, not ashamed.

I ask that you consider the silent, but large, group in the Madison area that will still vote for you regardless of how loud we are. Let the 115th and moreover Madison have a premier Air National Guard asset that will undoubtedly bring resources and income to our community instead of listening to the loud few that will oppose anything that doesn't fit their agenda.

What's best for Madison doesn't include a little extra noise from an amazing 115th and Madison asset.

Do what's right.... not what gets you votes by the loud few.

Sincerely,

A concerned citizen

P.S, The Air Force has done their due diligence by conducting multiple EISs, including the community for complete transparency, to address community concerns (something that never happened in the past). Look at facts from that survey, not loud opinions.

From: Shirley Smith <shirleydsmith2014@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:49 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: F-35s do not belong in a residential area

I own a home a mile from Truax Field where 18 F-35 jets are proposed to be housed. It's already an extremely disruptive aural assault when the four existing F-15 jets take off twice a day, several days a week. In my home, when that happens, you can't hear anything. Whatever we are doing at that moment comes to a stop. The commercial flights are bad enough, but we've gotten used to them. That's impossible with the four F-15s. And now the Air Force wants to more than quadruple that number with even louder jets.

The presentation on September 12 at the Alliant Energy Center was predictably one-sided. Polite military officials proudly displayed an impressive array of information about the superior technology of the F-35s, carefully tabulated data of their environmental impact, and decibel level maps that were described as "worst case." The Executive Summary of the environmental statement poses as an inarguable fortress of data and text for the logic of Truax as a location for the F-35 project.

But where was the data about quality of life for people who will be living next door to these machines? What about the dailiness of being exposed to extremely high decibel levels? It's *not* merely an inconvenience. I also wonder about the long-term affects on people and other living things of the outrageous levels of sound. Will this be yet another future environmental consequence that is ignored in favor of current quantifiable factors such as cost and economic stimulus?

Our lives are not composed of a dollars and cents cost-benefit analysis, or a relative position on a decibel map. We spend time outdoors, put our babies down for naps, eat meals together, listen to music, watch television, talk to a neighbor. The stress of interruption to the events our lives are made of is not negligible.

It's not just unsuitable, it's appalling to put fighter jets in an urban area. Please support the City Council Resolution to oppose the F-35s at Truax Field.

Shirley D. Smith

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1634 Randy Lane
Madison WI 53704
608.332.6506

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kaitlin Gibbs <kaitcgibbs@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposing Resolution that Opposes the F-35s

Alderspersons,

I am urging you to oppose your "resolution" that opposes the F-35S here in Madison. I am speaking on behalf of my family which includes my husband who is currently in Afghanistan protecting your and my freedom.

I have grown up in a military family and hearing the jet noise is the quintessential symbol of freedom.

I want to reinforce my support of the F-35S at the 115th Fighter Wing so they can continue to protect YOUR freedom here in the US.

Please, I urge you to at the very least reach out to some of the Airmen and women currently in Afghanistan and hear for yourself their love for this country and their desire to continue to protect it with the F-35S here in Madison. As community servants the least you can do is reach out to people at the very root of this issue.

I oppose the resolution that Opposes the F-35S in Madison and you should as well.

Thank you,
Kait Gibbs

From: Corinne Jones <cchinnery@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the F-35s and 115th Fighter Wing

Hello,

I'm writing this note to voice my SUPPORT of the 115th Fighter Wing and its future as the home of F-35s. The men and women of the 115th strive every day to keep the city of Madison, the state of Wisconsin, and all Americans safe. Flying, ground work, and community advocacy all come together in one location at Truax field. The legacy of all the men and women who sacrificed before has brought us the success we see today and the brightness of the future with the F-35s.

Please *oppose* the resolution to block the F-35s from landing at Truax. The airmen of the 115th FW have worked tirelessly for our protection and safety and deserve the protection and safety of updated technology and jets to continue their jobs. The 115th is integrated into the community and fabric of the city of Madison and has been for over seventy years. Within that time, there have been multiple airframes supported by the city. It is an honor to be considered home for the F-35s. Please support our local airmen and help them uphold the honor of their new mission.

Best regards,
Corinne Jones

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Corinne Jones, BSN, RN, CCRN
(773) 633-1626
cchinnery@gmail.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Lisa Dugdale <lldugdale@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:54 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Please oppose the F-35 Siting

Good Evening Mayor and City Council -

As a District 12 resident, I am writing to urge you to vote against supporting the F-35 project. This is a project that is best suited for an un-populated area, not one that has thousands of homes right below the flight path. People deserve to live in their homes and apartments and be able to talk to each other and have their children play outside without deafening noise. Many schools and homes do not have/cannot afford to use A/C, and thus will have their windows open during half of the year, rendering any soundproofing unhelpful.

I live just outside any of the ranges of the most impacted. Yesterday I watched my neighbors put their fingers in their ears to plug them when the existing jets went by - I do that too. And I live outside the range, with the F16s. I cannot imagine what it would be like to live in a mobile home right underneath where the F-35s will be taking off!

Please urge the Air Force not to make a vast portion of the Northside unlivable.

Sincerely,

Lisa Dugdale
2838 Dahle St. Apt A
Madison, WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Patricia Huxtable <plhux@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:54 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Truax F35

Hello,

I live very near the airport and do not find there is any extreme noise from the Fighter jets. They are here to protect us. Do you really want to say no to the F35's and risk the base being closed? The economic impact it would have on the City and County. Truax was here before many homes and building were built. When a home or business chose to build near the airport, they knew where they were building and should not be complaining now.

Please vote to allow the F35 to come to Truax. Thank you for your time.

Thank you

Pat H
Sent from my iPad

From: Ben West <torabmw@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:55 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support the F35

I have lived in Dane County for nine years and my family and I completely support the basing of the F-35 in Madison.

Madison should be proud that the military would like to continue its 70-year relationship this way. This community has a strong history of support for the 115th Fighter Wing, through the A-10 and the F-16.

There is not any noticeable difference in noise between the F-16 and the F-35. Anyone saying there is does not have the full facts.

The F-35 will fly the same amount in the future as the F-16 currently flies. Any impact to the community will be the same as it is today.

Additionally there will be strong financial blessings that come to Madison as a result of this basing decision. Business owners and our local unions completely support bringing the F-35 here.

This is a proper way for us to support the military that dedicates so much, up to and including the lives of service members, in the service of our country.

I ask for your support in bringing the F-35.

Respectfully,

Ben West

Veldran, Lisa

From: Ann Lacy <annwilsonlacy@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:58 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support Council resolution opposed to F-35s

General Information

Name: Ann Lacy
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City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53704
Phone: 608-213-4469
Work Phone:
Email: annwilsonlacy@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: No

Message:

I urge our alders to support the Council resolution opposed to bringing F-35 fighter jets to Madison. Let's work to make Madison a healthy, safe, and peaceful place for everyone who lives here!

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Laurie Lambert <lellenlambert@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:58 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution opposing the F-35

I am writing in support of the resolution #57364 V2 because F-35 will lower property values on the Northside, reduce economy growth in the area, and will be a burden on Madison taxpayers.

Thank you for your support in opposing the F -35s from coming to our area.

From: Sylvia Pfender <spfender6@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 8:58 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 resolution

I wish to register my support of the Common Council resolution to oppose the F-35 fighter jets coming to Madison. The proposal to have the F-35 fighter jets at Truax would be devastating to the east side communities that would be affected by noise pollution, health affects and housing issues. This area is a diverse part of Madison with populations representing multiple ages and economic groups. Any economic gain in jobs would be minimal compared to the effects on neighborhoods and in some cases would make or render areas unlivable. It does no good to have mitigation such as insulation and replacement of windows as was suggested at the recent public meeting on F35s. Are people suppose to stay inside their homes and are children not going to go outside for recess at their schools? The military response does not recognize the problems people have cited that would impact their daily lives.

There are areas of the east side that are not included in the noise analysis and yet areas outside the parameters are affected. I live on the near east side and even though my area is not within the mapped area, the noise from the current F-16 military jets is so loud that family members can not hear each other even if they are next to each other during these fly overs.

There is also no guarantee that the number of jets and runs per week that were proposed won't change and enlarge. The city of Madison may not have a vote in whether the location is selected, but we will have the problems and economic loss of housing that will affect many low income families.

I hope the Council votes for this resolution and acknowledges how it will impact the people of Madison in the future.

Sylvia Pfender

Veldran, Lisa

From: Madonna Bigelow <maeyers@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:00 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Vote YES for F-35!

All alders,

Think of Madison and the surrounding communities: VOTE YES FOR F-35s!

They will add strength to our military base and guarantee the base will stay here for years to come. The economic benefits are huge.

We could face closure of Truax military base in the future if we don't have the F-35s. Vote YES!

Maddy Evers

Veldran, Lisa

From: Michael Myers <e.kim.1234@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:03 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution to oppose the F-35 basing at TruaxField

Dear Alderpersons

I am sending this E-mail to oppose any and all resolutions that would oppose the F-35 basing at Truax Field, Madison Wisconsin.

I further more fully support the 115th Fighter Wing, and the F-35 Mission.

The Financial benefits and jobs created by basing basing the F-35 at Truax Field would benefit the city of Madison and Dane County for many years to come.

Sincerely

Michael B Myers

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jude Edmonds <judecafe@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:04 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Stouder, Heather
Subject: Protect public process Vote YES on 568981

To the Plan Commission and Common Council:

My husband Phillip and I urge you to vote YES on #56981 (Amending Madison General Ordinances to require conditional use approval) to close the loopholes in the zoning code and NO on ordinance #56839 (Repealing the Campus Master Plan for Edgewood Campus) to protect the integrity of the public process.

Thank you,

Jude Edmonds and Phillip Edmonds
2438 Commonwealth Ave
Madison 53711

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kate Waterman <k8casady@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:06 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Opposition to F35s Comjng to Madison

Hello Alders,

I'm writing this email to state my opposition to bringing the F35 jets to Madison. I'm opposed for many reasons, the most personal being that my family and I live very close to the zone that would be affected by the noise and we also own two rental properties very close to it.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kate Waterman

Veldran, Lisa

From: Richard Ely <richardely2003@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:09 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: proposal #57364 V2

Dear alders,

I am writing to voice support for Proposal #57364 V2, which requests that the Air Force not follow through with its plan to bed down F35s in Madison. I attended the meeting at the Alliant Energy Center last week and read the above-mentioned proposal. I agree that the environmental impact of the F35s, especially in terms of noise, but also of carbon footprint, will be detrimental to the community, and especially to minorities and low-income people living in the flight path. I also don't believe that anyone really knows the effect of such shockingly high decibel noise levels on very young children and other sensitive or compromised persons. The F18s are already loud enough to disrupt normal activities of local residents, including teachers and students in school classrooms. In the interests of public health, I support Proposal #57364 V2.

Sincerely,

Richard Ely
3121 Emmet St.
Madison 53704
richardely2003@gmail.com

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jon Walrath <jon.walrath@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:11 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support For F35's

To all alders,

I want to add this email to your records. We are blessed to have the men and women of our Air National Guard here in Madison to serve and protect this city, state and nation.

It's a shame this is still up for debate!

I want to make it clear:

- 1) **I Oppose the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and**
- 2) **reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission**

I want to repeat! WE ARE BLESSED TO HAVE THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD HERE IN MADISON!!!

**Thank you,
Jon Walrath**

From: Sarah Covington <sarahcovington@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:11 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Oppose F-35 Fighter Jets

General Information

Name: Sarah Covington
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City: Madison
State: WI
ZIP: 53711
Phone: 608-334-3378
Work Phone:
Email: sarahcovington@gmail.com
Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Dear Madison Common Council,

My name is Sarah Covington and I live in Madison, District 14. I am writing to ask that you please support the resolution to OPPOSE the F-35 fighter jets. I currently live on one of the landing paths to Truax and used to live on the same path but much closer to the airport. From experience, I know how disruptive the F-16 jets are, which I understand the F-35s are louder by magnitudes.

I am deeply concerned about the health impact it will have on thousands of families living in Madison both due to the increased noise exposure and pollutants in our watershed. Many of those most impacted are low-income families, who already face enough obstacles and have limited options for mitigating the consequences imposed on them. I am also very concerned about the negative environmental impacts these jets will have. Do the benefits of 64 new military jobs outweigh the consequences to thousands of people and the environment?

We already have so much to be done in the fight to reduce disparities, improve well-being for all, and protect the incredible natural environment of this great city, PLEASE oppose bringing F-35s to Madison. Thank you.

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Jean Rawson <rawson.terhaar@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:20 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F35s

Dear Madison Alders,

This is a brief message asking you to vote *against* allowing F35 aircraft to be sited at Truax Field.

I mean no disrespect to the 115th Air National Guard unit. It is simply that planes such as these should not and need not be sited in cities. It is harmful to the population, especially those of color and/or low income, and it is strategically unnecessary.

Please vote against the proposal to locate them in Madison. I have already communicated this message to my alder.

Thank you.

Jean M Rawson
3226 Oakridge Ave
Madison, WI 53704

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Sent from Gmail Mobile

From: tfotsch@wi.rr.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:21 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 at Truax 115th Fighter Wing

Madison Alders,

It is my understanding that on Tuesday 9/17 a resolution will be debated in the Madison City Council that will state that the Madison City Council does not support selection of Truax Field as a preferred location for the F-35 Beddown.

I attended the Public Meeting last week regarding the draft Environmental Impact Study regarding the F-35 beddown. I appreciated the comments made by all that spoke, both in support of the F-35 beddown and those against. It is clear that the members of the 115th are outstanding members of the Madison community and that the 115th ANG Fighter Wing has been an asset to the Madison community for decades.

The opportunity for Madison and Wisconsin to have F-35 fighters located in the state is a rare and outstanding opportunity. It will be a Major economic win for Madison, provide continued safety for Madison, Wisconsin and the Central US for decades to come and retain the 115th ANG Fighter Wing as a model organization for the Madison community.

During the public hearing on the draft EIS, the only substantial comments against the F-35 beddown related to the noise of the F-35. There were several well educated people that spoke about the draft EIS and the noise related to the F-35. Those that spoke factually, identified errors in **the draft EIS that overstated the noise impact from the F-35**. The draft EIS did not take into account the times that the F-35 fighters are deployed and not flying out of the 115th. It also excluded the percentage of times that scheduled flights do not occur due to any of a number of reasons (weather, staffing, mechanical issues, scheduling, etc.). There were also several other factual comments about how the draft EIS overstated the noise impact.

In addition, the draft EIS does not address that mitigating actions that can and would be taken by the ANG, in working with the local community, to minimize the noise impact on the community and those that live near the base.

The pilots of the 115th ANG risk their lives every time that they enter their fighter. I urge every member of the Madison City Council to stand by every member of the 115th ANG and show their support for the 115th ANG and the beddown of the F-35s in Madison.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Fotsch
3101 Seminary Ridge Ln.
Nashotah, WI 53058

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tom McClintock <tom.mcclintock@wisc.edu>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:21 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution #57364 - please support

Dear Madison Alders

Please support Resolution #57364 to oppose the F35s coming to the 115 Fighter Wing base at Truax. This potential placement is bad in so many ways. The emissions from the planes, the potential groundwater impacts and making Madison a target for bombing are all reasons to oppose this alternative. However, from the perspective of local economics and equity, Madison is a bad choice for these planes. Under the proposed action, 132 households would be located in the 70-75 DNL contour where housing is incompatible. An additional 1,019 households will fall within the 65-70 dB DNL contour, considered potentially incompatible with residential use and (in theory) eligible for noise mitigation. Who will compensate these homeowners who either can not live in their homes, or at minimum will see a drastic decrease in the resale value of their homes? And then there are many thousands of homes, mine included, that are outside of these zones but still are within the area where we are already negatively affected by the F16 noise. The potential costs to the city will be huge. The economic benefit of having the F35s is an increase of 60 permanently employed people and a few temporary construction jobs. A very poor trade-off for the city and for the tens of thousands of people who will be affected.

Please listen to the affected residents and support this resolution and ask your staff to provide detailed substantive comments and questions on the draft EIS.

Thank you.

Tom McClintock

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Tom McClintock Faculty Associate UW-Madison LICGF

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Margarita Northrop
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:22 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Subject: Please support the Common Council Resolution Opposing the F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field

Dear Common Council Members,

I urge you to support the Common Council Resolution opposing the F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field as proposed by Aids. Kemble and Foster. The initiative to bring F-35A jets to our community, and the understated negative impact on surrounding neighborhoods in the EIS study, is a textbook case of **environmental racism**. For a city that prides itself as equity-minded, we sure have not put much of a fight against this initiative. For a city struggling with lack of availability of affordable housing, we do not seem to care much about the fact that many affordable housing units will be impacted by this project. **We are once again complicit and asking the most disadvantaged amongst us to carrying the burden and pay the price for the "greater good" and the prosperity of the rest of us.**

I would like to remind you that the military base has already been implicated as the main source of PFAS contamination in the drinking water supply to nearby neighborhoods. Majority of the impacted neighborhoods have (yes, you guessed it correctly!) high concentration of people experiencing poverty and people of color. This has caused the shut-down of Well 15. The military and the federal government have shown no interest or intention to clean up their mess. They have also grossly underestimated the negative impact on marginalized households with this new initiative by using methodologically-flawed approaches in the EIS.

So, this is my plea to you. To those of you who represent other marginalized districts across the city, we are all in this together. You understand this pattern of sacrificing the most vulnerable amongst us for the "greater good". To those representing the more privileged districts across the city, imagine what your vote would be if the negative impact was on hundreds of your constituents ... and then vote with your heart, vote in support of Aids. Kemble and Foster's resolution.

Please support Madison's vulnerable residents and approve the resolution opposing the use of Truax Field for the proposed F-35A fighter jets. Vote for its proposed form, rather than for any watered-down version of it.

Thank you for your attention,
Maggie Northrop
District 17
3126 Clove Drive
Madison, WI 53704
920-495-5001

From: Laurie Linder <laurie.linder@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:24 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35s at Truax Field

Hello,

I am writing to express my support for the 115 Fighter Wing and Truax field becoming home to the F35s. I'm sure you are aware that the F16s currently housed at Truax are nearing the end of their life span. If Truax does not get selected to house the F35s it is likely that the base will shut down in the near future. Losing the base will have a serious negative economic impact on the City of Madison, Dane County and the State of Wisconsin.

The Air Force contributes millions of dollars annually to Dane County Regional Airport. How are these funds going to be replaced? Would you raise taxes or eliminate the airport entirely? Neither option is a favorable option.

Truax employs over 1,000 people on a full time basis; these employees are spending money daily, living and working in Madison and Dane County. This number is multiplied during drill weekend (monthly); the weekend warriors are spending money on hotel rooms, at restaurants and bars, stores and malls and gas stations. In addition many of the employees are taking advantage of the tuition assistance and spending these funds at the University of Wisconsin. Can Madison really afford to lose another major employer? We are still feeling the effects of losing Kraft/Oscar Mayer.

I am proud of the heritage of the 115 FW here in Madison. I understand the opposition concerns; however the Air National Guard has been a good neighbor and corporate citizen and I see no reason that would change. I understand the noise concerns but the Air Force will mitigate this as much as possible. The base has been here for over 70 years so I'm a bit puzzled about the noise complaints. I would venture that most, if not all, of those complainants moved to their current location within the last 70 Year's. I've moved close to farms and didn't appreciate the smells and other annoyance that comes from living close to a farm but didn't expect the farmer to quit farming at that location. Why is it that those who moved next to the airport expect the jets to stop flying? If the base goes away they will still have the noise of the commercial aircraft....until we no longer have an airport in Madison.

Please vote to support the F35s coming to Madison.

Best Regards,

Laurie Linder
Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kristin David <kristinj david@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:25 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for the 115th Fighter Wing and F-35 Mission

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to strongly oppose your resolution opposing the F-35 basing. I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission.

I live very close to Truax Field and the jets fly over my house frequently.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I hope you'll reconsider fully supporting our troops and military operations.

Best,
Kristin Schneider

6586 Wolf Hollow Rd
Windsor, WI 53598

Veldran, Lisa

From: Judith Fowler <judithfowler4@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:26 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35's

Living immediately south of Thurber Park, I oppose siting F-35 jets at Truax. While the expected additional number of flights and greatly increased noise are my main personal objections, I am persuaded also by predicted negative impacts on my neighbors, the City of Madison, and our state as a whole.

The expected benefits of bringing these jets here seem greatly outweighed by the costs to our people.

Judy Fowler
221 Gannon Ave Apt B
Madison 53714

Sent from my iPad

From: randy feasel <rafeasel@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:27 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: 115 FW F35

Please know that myself and my family fully support the 115FW and their vision to get F35s in Madison. We live close to the airport in Madison and hear over head traffic depending on the flow of the day with winds. The F16s jets that are currently at Madison come and go pretty quick with no noticeable sounds.

I have had the privilege to watch the F16 and F35 take off up close. I honesty could not tell the difference in sounds. I think the report does not fairly explain the noise differences. Numbers alone are not fair with out proper explanation and examples. Please reconsider trying block to F35s from coming to Madison.

The flying hours are also not explained well enough in the report. The 115 FW only flies 4 days a week with morning and afternoon take offs. There are a lot of military aircraft that fly into Wisconsin Aviation and have nothing to do with the Air Force. F18s and T38s come and go on the weekends. Madison is an attractive city to visit. Pilots of these F18s and T38s are not stationed in Madison. Most people do not recognize this and blame F16s for flyovers that they do not do.

The noise impact is pretty small compared to the economic gain for the local community. Madison would be on the map for this advancement. Please support the 115FW and the Madison area in gaining the F35s.

Thank you.

Randy Feasel and family

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Veldran, Lisa

From: Emily Post <emilypost608@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:33 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support the F35 Mission at Truax

To Whom This May Concern,

At this very moment, as I write this, my husband is getting ready for his day of work. He is with the Air National Guard of Madison, WI and is currently carrying out his deployment in Afghanistan. My husband has served the city of madison and this country honorably for his entire adult life, straight out of high school in 2003. We have endured months apart from one another throughout our two decades together, all because of his service and dedication to protecting this country and his service to the citizens of Madison.

I support the F35s coming to Madison. As focus on military aircraft shifts away from F16s it is vital for this base to remain relevant. Much of the housing around the base are affordable for the very fact that it is next to the airport. Environmental impact reports point out worse-case scenarios. Truax has provided hours of service not only for our nation but for the community. My mother lives right next to railroad tracks. She purchased the home at a reasonable price knowing full well that there will be trains chugging by even in the middle of the night. I encourage you to think of the young men and women currently overseas away from their families to protect our citizens while you make your decision.

Sincerely,
Emily Post

Veldran, Lisa

From: Tracy Brockhaus <mrsbrockhaus555@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:35 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter to express my full support of the F-35 coming to Madison at Truax Field. Our family resides in Sun Prairie and we often hear the jets overhead. I regard this sound as patriotic and just plain awesome. It is the sound of freedom! I believe that the city of Madison should continue to show their support of the f-35. It will continue to provide essential jobs and additional commerce for our city and local areas. I encourage you to continue supporting our local Air National Guard and oppose the resolution that would keep the F-35 from basing in Madison.

Thank you,
Tracy Brockhaus
Sun Prairie resident

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Books24u <books24u@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:41 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Responding to F-35A Beddown in Madison.

Hello,

I'm in favor of a resolution that states no to F - 35 Military Jets in Madison, and creates a problem solving plan to clean up the water at Truax Field.

We're a nation still at war for 18 years in Afghanistan. The National Guard Bureau's plan to beddown two F - 35A squadrons of 18 F - 35A Military Jets frankly wears out their welcome for training exercises in the City of Madison, and the area at Truax Field. Who's side is the Military on when there will be more noise, more disruption of local businesses, disruption of neighborhood educational facilities, and more possible water pollution to the water table? It seems like disruption of the local ordinary citizen would be something the military would not be in favor of doing, and instead protect and keep the peace.

After 18 years of war in Afghanistan, the Draft Environmental Statement for the operational beddown of F 35 Military Jets in Madison states that local residents will be subjected to more noise than the current military jets that use Truax Field emit. This proposal is a continued infringement to the domestic tranquility of Madison residents. Madison is the wrong location for the proposed Air National Guard for F - 35 plan, let alone enhancing a fiscal boondoggle of a Military Aircraft that by a lot of accounts "does everything well, but masters nothing."

I'm in support of a resolution that says "no" to allowing F -35 Military Aircraft in Madison at Truax Field. Former Wisconsin U.S. Senator William Proxmire would call the F-35A a Golden Fleece of military spending and a "winner" of his Golden Fleece Award, in line with gold plated toilet seats for the Navy in his time in office.

Sincerely,

Steve Books
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Member Secretary - Veterans For Peace, Clarence Kailin Chapter 25, Madison, WI
Wisconsin National Guard, 1980-1986, Radio-Teletype Operator, HHC 264 Engineering Group, Eau Claire, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: hiposbf@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:49 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F35 115th truax

I am a lifetime local resident and currently live on the east side of madison. I fully support the 115th and bringing the F35 to madison. I believe its ridiculous that people are willing to throw away 1200+ jobs because of a minute of noise equal to a vacuum cleaner 3ft away. I was near oscar mayers the day they flew in weeks ago and the decibel level was nearly the same as the F16 and large commercial jets that fly the same route.

Again I fully support bringing the F35s to madison truax

Jesse Sieger

Veldran, Lisa

From: JW <jwmarcks@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:52 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission

- (1) **Opposing the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and**
- (2) **reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission**

Thanks
John Marcks
Wisconsin Resident

Veldran, Lisa

From: Timothy Nelson <timothydavidnelson@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No F35s

To Whom It May Concern:

Please add my name to your list of people opposed to having the F-35s at Truax Field. Thank you.

Tim Nelson
1014 Forster Drive
Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Chris Figaro <chrisfigaro@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Mission Support

Hello Madison Alders,

I oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and I fully support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. I am a resident of Fitchburg but spend most of my day in Downtown Madison. In addition to the economic gain that it will bring Madison, when I hear the jets each time they pass it's a feeling of comfort, safety and freedom. We should be proud to have this opportunity in the area.

Thank you
Chris Figaro

Veldran, Lisa

From: denitaward <denitaward@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:54 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: F35

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to ask for your support tomorrow 9/17 at the Common Council meeting. As a constituent I ask that you vote to support the resolution to oppose the F35 fighter jets. The F35 jets will be environmentally and financially detrimental to the surrounding neighborhoods with minimal benefits.

Thank you,
Denita Ward

Sent from my U.S. Cellular® Smartphone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Margaret Williams <margaretw3@frontier.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:55 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Resolution opposing the F-35 mission

Dear Madison Alders,

I would like to urge you to reconsider passing the resolution to oppose the F-35 basing. The 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission is essential to continue all the good they do for the greater Madison area and the State of Wisconsin. The impact report gave the extreme perimeters of the possible effects of the new equipment. Day to day activities would not be anything so severe. Certainly exchanging the F-16 for the F-35 would not render properties "uninhabitable." Missions do not run continuously throughout the day. The newer F-35 has improved features which may actually require less "full power" use of the F-35 features. The 115th unit is filled with great citizens who do their best to protect and assist others in need. They are precisely the type of citizens any great city loves to have ~ law abiding, patriotic, and dedicated to serving others. Loss of the F-35 would likely mean the ultimate loss of the Guard entirely. The F-16's are 30 years old, and they need to be replaced with the newer improved equipment.

Rather than attempting to preempt the arrival of the new F-35, it would seem your efforts could be better used to help affected families learn ways to minimize some of the sound issues. People in the affected areas have learned to live with the F-16. The F-35 will only be slightly different. The properties will still have commercial airline noise, which is far more frequent than the fighters. Help with sound proofing structures may go a long way to help mitigate the issues.

Thank you for considering my concerns and suggestions.

Sincerely,

Margaret and Wynne Williams

Cottage Grove, WI 535287

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kayla Schmitt <kdamae73@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:57 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: Together Truax
Subject: Oppose the Resolution on Tuesday

To Whom it May Concern:

I writing to ask you to oppose the resolution that opposes the F-35 basing in Madison.

As a retired member of the 115 Fighter Wing and Wisconsin resident, I fully support the 115 Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. The F-35 basing at Truax will ensure the 115 Fighter Wing will continue its 70 year relationship with the community. Maintaining a flying mission with the 115 Fighter Wing at Truax/Dane County Airport has a far reaching positive economic impact.

Respectfully,

SMSgt (Ret) Kayla Schmitt



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Veldran, Lisa

From: kim barovic <butterball102@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 9:59 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35s

Please do not support the F-35 planes coming to Madison. They should not be allowed in our city.
Thank you,
A. Kim Barovic

From: Erik Meitner <emeitner@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:00 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Regarding the resolution on the F35s

Alder Rummel,

Thanks for sponsoring the resolution to oppose the F35s in Madison!

Please help us address the misinformation that has been circulated and regurgitated by the media. Specifically the EIS uses DNL (Day-Night Average Sound Level) measurement. The DNL is the average of all noise measurements over a 24 hour period. Included is a 10dB penalty for evening noise - which is of little relevance because very few night flights happen, thankfully. The disruptive nature of the fighter jets is the instantaneous nature of the noise, not its 24 hour average.

Lets say your neighbors start having parties. Now normally they are only talking at a quiet 40dB. But these recurring parties have a noise level of 100dB (equivalent to a jack hammer 3ft away, much less than what we actually experience from the jets). You complain and your neighbor says "Hey, my 24 hour average noise level was only 45dB. That's like a quiet conversation!"

Well, I know that you would not put up with that argument. Neither should we.

Nowhere in the EIS do they present measurements of the maximum noise level (Lmax in their parlance). I can tell you that the jets are over 100dB - like that jack hammer at 3ft. We are being deceived.

Adding to our woes is the fact that the EIS report estimates a close to 50% increase in flights for some time and then a permanent increase of 27%. This is not acceptable. The jets have outgrown Madison. Lets help them find a new home...elsewhere.

Thanks for your efforts to prevent our neighborhoods from becoming sacrificial residential zones.

Erik Meitner
114 N. Marquette Str., Madison WI 53704

From: Bill Reece <billyreece4@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:02 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support F-35's at Madison

To the Alders of Madison,

As a resident of the Madison Statistical Area, I ask that you turn down the proposed resolution protesting the F-35 placement at Truax Field. The F-35 is an essential upgrade to the aging F-16 platform that will allow the 115th Fighter Wing to carry on its mission to defend our nation at home and abroad. The selection of the Wisconsin Air National Guard to be entrusted with one of the world's foremost technology platforms would speak to the incredible value that the men and women of your state militia have added to the United States Air Force and would be an incredible testament to the outstanding achievements of our airmen. The strategic and economic benefits gained by the sustained viability of the fighter wing's mission is a blessing that should not be taken lightly. I ask that you, the elected stewards of the people, please make the decision that continues the legacy that has been passed down for over 70 years. Please, vote to sustain the equipping of the next generation.

Respectfully,
William D. Reece IV

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

From: Bret Loy <bretloy@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:05 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35c

Dear City of Madison Alders,

I respect your opinion to why you msh not want F35s here at Truax, but I strongly oppose your resolution to try to prevent this next evolution our strong community.

I request that you withdraw your opposition.

Having been a resident of Madison and Sun Prairie, I have loved the spectacle or all the different aircraft that are in and out of Truax.

I have many friends and family that have been employed and served Our Country from the Truax Field facilities. From Fighter pilots to Fire Chiefs to Security and Nursing careers, to name a few. Many have taken that top level training and applied it in jobs within our communities.

The rewarding experience and benefits of having the base, facilities, and especially the 115th Fighter Wing makes Madison, Wisconsin the best place for these next generation of fighter jets !!

Keep the Jets here year after year after year !!

Thank you,

Bret Loy

Strong supporter of our Men and Women serving at Truax and advocate for F35s !!

From: Jen Neuls <jen.neuls@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:11 PM
To: Mayor; All Alders
Subject: Please support the resolution to oppose the F-35 siting

Honorable Mayor and Alders,

I am writing to express my sincere and firm objection to siting the F-35 jets in Madison. I live near enough to hear and even enjoy the F-16s from Truax just a few miles away. However, when it comes to the F-35s, every report and study I have read has shown suspected or known negative impacts to health and quality of life for Madison residents, both those within the "affected area" and those who live in the flight paths. The only upside ever presented is that it might bring about 100 more jobs to the area.

A few hundred jobs are not enough compensation for the detrimental effects that the jets will have on the everyday lives of thousands of Madison residents. There are probably businesses within the affected area that operate now (or could operate in future) that will/would be displaced by the disruption the jets cause. If so, what would be the net job gain in that case?

Quite simply, if the trade-off is poor health and quality of life, we can let the jobs go. We don't need them at that price. As we have learned from the recent Foxconn debacle, putting industry first (including government) is sometimes just a bad deal for residents.

I fully support a resolution to object to placing the jets at Truax. I urge you to put people over profits and represent the best interests of your constituents and voice your opposition through the resolution and by all other means within your power as well.

Sincerely,

Jen Neuls
Paus St, Eastmorland D-15

Veldran, Lisa

From: Katie Klein <kinklax1990@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:17 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Fighter Jets out of Truax

General Information

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Should we contact you?: Yes

Message:

Good Evening,

I would like to reach out to you regarding the fighter jets over the Hawthorne Neighborhood. I strongly oppose this new grant and am afraid about the depreciation of my house as well as my quality of living with this new bill. I do not think the benefits outweigh the disadvantages to the East side of Madison. While this opportunity may provide some permanent new jobs in the area, it may hinder some of the businesses and jobs already here. This decision could potentially hinder the Madison College Truax campus, 2 elementary schools, and several other businesses in the area. I am hoping you will reconsider this decision.

Thank you,

Katie Klein

Recipient:
All Alders

From: Barbara Vedder <bvedder@charter.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:18 PM
To: All Alders; Mayor
Cc: Abbas, Syed
Subject: M-35s opposition

I'm vehemently opposed to the use of B-35 jet bombers at Truax Field. 1) It's against Madison's values to promote war and nuclear power. We have a resolution currently on the records that Madison stays nuclear free. Personally I'm in opposition to war in general. It's only destruction, killing and decimation. Nothing is accomplished in war and nuclear power. We will become a target of nuclear bombing.

2) It will produce horrific air and water pollution. There are tons of chemicals that will be created. I'm sure there is a list for your viewing. Actually have a good look at it - it includes PFAs, aka "forever chemicals" which already are in Madison's water system and is the reason for the closure of Well 15. The new and increased pollutants will greatly worsen our quality of life for everyone, especially our younger children. BTW, the military has said that they don't have enough money to clean up the already existing PFAs in Well 15. How in the world can they then afford the new jet bombers which cost millions of dollars per unit.

3) Noise. The current F-16s are already intolerably loud and with the addition of F-35s it will be incredibly worse. There is no way to have any quality of life because of its disruptions today. The F-35s will be screechingly worse -much greater additional power in the sound and there will be so many flights added to what we now have. Studies have shown that the beyond the acceptable noise decibel levels that will be produced, that significant harm to younger children 's brains occurs - the retention of reading knowledge, memory and attention spans. The fact that many of these children are lower income again goes against our value beliefs.

Thanks for your very serious consideration of this most important issue.

Barbara Vedder
2314 East Dayton St. (Just on the periphery of the uninhabitable fly zone) Madison, WI 53704

From: Donna Magdalina <dmagdalina@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:24 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I strongly oppose F-35As in Madison

Dear Alders,

Please support Madison City Council resolution #57364 opposing F-35s at Truax.

I am in strong opposition to the F-35A military planes being based out of Truax. While there are many reasons to oppose the F-35As in an urban area such as Madison, instead of recanting the same issues you are repeatedly hearing, I will begin with a basic statement and then focus on a few salient points which may not have been discussed as much as the also very important points about **loss of healthy affordable housing**, and **disproportionate impact on low income and people of color**.

1. **Military airports do not belong in urban areas.** Period. We don't need to repeat all the many reasons it makes no sense for military airports to locate in urban areas. We are not trying to lessen the commute-to-work time for a few military workers at the expense of thousands who live nearby and become forced to suffer the consequences, which will cause future disabilities such as loss of hearing.
2. **Sound mitigation does nothing** if you don't have air conditioning and must keep your windows open to cool your house.
3. **Sound mitigation does nothing** if you are outside:
 1. working in a profession where outdoors is your workplace, or
 2. commuting to your workplace by foot or bike, or
 3. working at the airport, or
 4. working from home without air conditioning so windows must be open in summer, or
 5. bicycling or
 6. walking, or
 7. children outside for recess, or
 8. at the playground with your children, or
 9. visiting the zoo, or
 10. having a picnic, or
 11. going for a swim, or
 12. participating in an outdoor sports game, or
 13. watching an outdoor sports events, or
 14. gardening, or
 15. playing outside, or
 16. going for a walk, or
 17. dining in an outdoor café, or
 18. all the other ways we live in the outdoors
4. Unlike larger metropolitan airports where runways are located far from the terminals and planes must taxi long distances out to them for take-off and landings, the runway for Dane County's airport is extremely close to the commercial terminal and **military plane take-offs occur very close to all airport staff and passengers**.
 1. Hundreds of airport staff are outside and extremely close to the increased sound violence
 2. Baggage staff I talked with explained that no sound protection is adequate for the current F-16 plane take-offs. Head gear must be removed so hands can go over the ears because that provides the best protection. Regardless, ear pain is experienced during every plane take-off.
 3. This spring I was in the airport lounge when an F-16 took off. Suddenly the building began shaking uncontrollable. I and many passengers frantically looked around for safety and to see

what was happening – is this a mass shooting and we're under attack ,or an earthquake in Wisconsin? I was frantically searching for places to duck and hide while simultaneously trying to make sense of what was happening. Then the next F-16 took off and I could see it -- only about a football field away from the glass window. Then three more took off. It was extremely disorienting and frightening. This can't be good for airport business and the local economy to treat county passengers in such a manner during this age of mass shootings.

5. **The flight pattern maps appear highly inaccurate.** Military planes fly much farther outside the loops than are shown. I worked from home 2007-2017 without air conditioning on the east isthmus near the river. Three planes regularly took off mid-morning and some afternoons probably a couple times per week, maybe more. I could look up and see a similar pathway most days, directly overhead. Once they reached near where the Yahara River empties into Lake Monona on the isthmus, they would arch to the west and pass northward over the isthmus, perhaps about one mile east of the capitol. The sound was always excruciatingly and painfully loud. Phone conversations could not continue and work stopped so ears could be covered. They were exceptionally disruptive, annoying and painful. The flight maps do not show these pathways.
6. **The argument that F-35As will make the public safer because they can help out during disasters is baseless and illogical.** We have been told military jets flew from here to help with Katrina – in Louisiana! Which indicates they can fly from elsewhere to help out here when we have a national disaster. This is a baseless argument.
7. **Madison taxpayers will likely pay the cost of public health effects on our residents.** We have already seen a lack of responsibility from the military for our contaminated water well. How can we expect anything better with this further degradation of our environment?

I strongly urge you to visit an impacted neighborhood and experience the effects while trying to listen to others or function in any normal capacity. Think about what it's like to hear this in your life on a regular basis. Please support Madison City Council resolution #57364 opposing F-35s at Truax.

Donna Magdalena
409 Russell St
Madison WI 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: Mike Rita Email <we4kings@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:25 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Supporting F-35 and Truax field

I am writing you to share my support of the F-35 fighter jets at Truax field. The opposition to this expansion is very near-sighted and not focused on the long term benefits that the jets bring not only to the base but also to the greater Madison community. I am proud when I see the Air National Guard jets flying overhead knowing the support and protection they provide are vital to our country.

I oppose the resolution you are proposing that opposes the F-35 jets and encourage you to recognize the greater benefits this initiative brings.

Sincerely,
Rita King

Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Susana Arslanov <susana.arslanov@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:29 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support the F35s basing in Madison

All,

I support basing the F35s in Madison, WI. It's important for the defense of our nation and the future of our the base. Thank you for your vote in support of it.

Susana Arslanov

From: Russell Knudson <russ.knudson@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:34 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: No to F-35s in Madison, Madison Resident

Dear Elected Officials,

I am a resident of Madison and I ask you to **STRONGLY OPPOSE** the selection of Truax field for the beddown of the F-35A fighter jets, and immediately withdraw any current or future support for this development.

I support any resolution by City Council members that would remove the City's support of this development and ask the Air Force to reconsider Madison as a finalist.

My reasoning for opposing the development is:

1. The draft environmental impact statement reveals concerning impacts with increased sound pollution levels, added frequency of training runs, indications of increased air emissions (though the impact statement summary appears to play this down). These negative impacts will be disproportionately experienced by the communities nearer the air field, and are of most concern to disruption of sensitive populations such as school children. The increased risk of ground water pollution from substances such as PFOS due to fire suppression and other aircraft systems are not fully understood.
2. The economic benefits do not out-weigh the estimated environmental impact. Reports from TogetherTruax show the current Air National Guard operations create a \$100 million opportunity in "direct economic impact". The reports imply that if the F-35 development does not come to Madison, that this economic impact will be lost, presumably due to the current F-16 operations being eventually closed as that aircraft reaches the end of it's useful life. However, these reports are not substantiated and a more thorough investigation as to the true economic effects is needed to weigh against the environmental impacts.
3. Considering the above, it appears that support for this development is mostly a strategy to welcome increased National Defense activity in Madison - these pursuits will likely not lead to lasting, long-term benefits to our community. I ask that you explore more beneficial commerce that has deeper connections to Madison and Wisconsin commercial entities, while minimizing environmental impacts to our community.

While the Air National Guard may have been an overall positive part of the Madison community, I do not believe that Madison is the appropriate place for the proposed F-35 development.

Regards,
Russell Knudson
238 Walter St. Madison, WI

Veldran, Lisa

From: Kate Dietry <kdietry@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:37 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for F-35

To Whom it May Concern:

I would like to express my support for the F-35 coming to Madison. The F-35 will ensure the 115th Fighter Wing at Truax/Dane County Airport will continue its 70 year relationship with the community.

I oppose the Resolution coming up for a vote at your meeting on 9/17/2019 that opposes the F-35 basing.

Sincerely,

Kate Dietry
Sent from my iPhone

Veldran, Lisa

From: Doug Linder <d3linder@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:38 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F35 mission

Greetings,

I urge you to OPPOSE the resolution against the F35 basing at the Dane County Regional Airport. I ask that you support the 115th Fighter Wing and the F35 mission.

As the 115th Fighter Wing has been a respectable and responsible member of the Madison and Dane county community for over 70 years. The 115th Fighter Wing provides over 350 area citizens full-time decent paying employment. It also provides part-time employment, WITH insurance, health care, and college benefits, for an additional 1000 employees.

The 115th Fighter Wing provides tremendous financial contribution to the local economy in providing the jobs, educational assistance for members AND their families. The city of Madison gains measurable economic benefits to area restaurants, hotels, shopping and entertainment by the over one hundred members that stay in Madison each drill.

As a member in the community the 115th Fighter Wing brings in major financial benefits to the state, county and city taxpayers by off setting the costs to maintain the Dane County Regional Airport while providing the majority of funding for fire and first responder services at the airport.

Yes. There will be growing pains and challenges while transitioning to new technologies but to reject those opportunities will be more costly and detrimental for ALL citizens and taxpayers of Madison and Dane county.

Again, I ask you for your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F35 mission, and oppose the resolution against the F35 basing.

Thank you.

V/r,

Doug Linder
Dane county resident

Sent from my iPad

Veldran, Lisa

From: Sarah Mason <saasmason@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:40 PM
To: Mayor
Cc: All Alders
Subject: Save the east side from F-35A jets

Dear Mayor and Alderpersons,

I have lived in Madison since 1977 and on the east side since 1981. One reason I stay in Madison is that it's a beautiful small city that is livable and there is pride in local community. I came here and stayed for the beauty of the lakes and trees and the easy access to the UW, culture, and government. Recently, I have seen the environment erode, trees and houses give way to ugly cookie cutter 5-story complexes and traffic congestion increase.

I have lived in the Dane County airport flight path since 1991. Increasingly, I put up with flight noise that precludes opening my windows, having a conversation, and hearing the TV or music. Commercial flights are later at night and earlier in the morning than they used to be. F-16 jets are even more disturbing. My dog cowers when they fly over my home.

The F-35A s will have an even greater detrimental impact on the quality of life for those of us who live on the east side-especially the low income communities near the airport. My home resale value will decrease and the local environment will be impacted further.

I agree with Representative Taylor - please keep the F35A jets from flying over our city. These jets should fly in areas where they will not directly impact the quality of life of so many people. They do not need to take off and land over urban areas.

Instead, create 63 new jobs in city transportation, environmental and lake preservation, and quality housing for low income people. The military will still have 60+ jobs connected to the jets -no matter where they are located. These are not the kind of jobs needed in Madison if the trade off means local citizens will suffer.

Thank you ,
Sarah Mason
2914 Oakridge Ave
Madison, WI 53704

Dear Friends,

After years of attending the American Legislative Exchange Council, or ALEC, I have seen firsthand how big corporate special interests, through their wealth and power, often dominate policy making, to the great detriment of actual people. In the ALEC universe, maximizing corporate profits always comes before people.

I have seen how that perverse priority has driven Republican policy makers in our state over the last 8 years, and the devastation this has caused. And I have fought against it every step of the way.

I am currently seeing a similar power structure right here at home trying to force F-35 military jets on the east and northside communities I represent in the legislature. Based on the constituent contact I have received, the people I have talked with, and the listening I have done, the vast majority of my constituents do not support this proposal. It will not only lead to a peak of almost 3,000 more military flights, but significantly more noise, rendering a larger piece of our city uninhabitable, unless you want to live in a home where you can't open a window or go outside. Individuals of color, kids and low-income families will be most impacted, and many, many neighborhoods are going to be forever altered.

A group called Badger Air Community Council is pushing the F-35s. Most of their board members are executive businessmen who do not live in Madison, none live in the neighborhoods impacted, and none are people of color. Yet they think they know what is best for our community! They are placing opinion pieces in the local paper (the Wisconsin State Journal has run two in

the last week), paying for fancy brochures and producing hats and T-shirts. And now they are organizing to defeat a Tuesday Madison Common Council Resolution to oppose the F-35s.

All we have is our voices. Together, we are strong. I am urging you to contact your Madison alders here and ask them to support the resolution to oppose the F-35 fighter jets. The resolution will be taken up this Tuesday, September 17 at the 6:30 PM Common Council meeting. Now more than ever, people need their elected representatives at all levels to stand up for them! The political response of a community makes a difference in F-35 site selection. If you can, please attend the meeting and testify in support of this resolution at the public hearing. The meeting will take place in Room 201 of the City-County Building at 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd this Tuesday at 6:30 PM.

And remember, you still have time to submit your comments to the Air National Guard on this proposal, until Friday, September 27th. On-line comments can be submitted here. Comments can also be directed to Ramon Ortiz by email, by mail at NGB/A4AM, 3501 Fetchet Avenue, Joint Base Andrews, MD 20762-5157 or by phone 240-612-7042.

Please contact my office if you need any more information.

Thank you for taking action. I believe that the best way to successfully stand up to powerful interests is to raise our voices together!

More actions are coming soon!

Thanks,

Signature Chris Taylor.jpg

Rep. Chris Taylor

76th Assembly District

Sent from my cell phone

Veldran, Lisa

From: jjgrann@aol.com
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:43 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 at Truax

I fully support the bedding of the F-35 at Truax. As a life long resident of Madison (73 years). I request the council support the 115th FW and WI ANG in the basing of the aircraft in Madison. VOTE NO to the proposal to indicate a lack of support for this project. Do whats right.

From: betty weynand <madcitybets@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:50 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Jets

General Information

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Should we contact you?: No

Message:

Please, please support the resolution to oppose the F-35 fighter jets. The noise and air pollution these jets will bring by far outweigh any benefit they will provide to the community.

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Dmitry <dmitry.arslanov@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:53 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: I support basing the F35 in Madison

Dear Sir/Ma'am,

I write to you to show my full support for basing the F35 in Madison, WI. This is a very important step for the defense of our great nation. The minimal changes in noise will most likely be undetectable from what the F16s currently produce. Yet the F35s will ensure that Truax Field maintains its place as an important pillar of national airspace defense in the volatile world we live in today.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very respectfully,

Dmitry Arslanov
451 Pluto St
Madison, WI 53718
203.241.1598

Veldran, Lisa

From: ehmjr <ehmjr@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 10:57 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support F-35s @ Truax Field

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

I hope you all will support the F35s and our men and women in uniform, to keep their jobs and many more supporting jobs here in Madison.

The men and women serving in the Wisconsin National Guard shouldn't have to return from tours of duty in places such as the Middle East to find politicians in Madison not caring about their job security.

Plus, it has always amazed me that cities allow residential development around airports and airbases and then fail to stand up to pressure from a few people who complain about a little patriotic noise.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration by Earl Morgan.

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From: Rossitza Ivanova <rossiivanova@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:03 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: in support of resolution opposing F-35s

Dear Madison Alders,

I am writing to urge you to support the Madison Common Council Resolution to oppose the F-35s.

Opposing the F-35s has been presented as an opposition to "our troops," as something unpatriotic and against the economic prosperity in our city. It is not! It is a protest against turning the North and East sides of Madison into sacrificial neighborhoods, without consideration or planned compensation. Here some of the most glaring reasons that I urge you to oppose the F-35s:

- The EIS report states close to 50% increase in flights for some time and then a permanent increase of 27%. This is a significant increase - **more than a quarter increase in activities** that already have negative effects on our quality of life and on the health and learning of our children.
- The EIS acknowledges that there will be increased noise (the decibel conversion means that the **noise level will be 3-4 TIMES louder**). The measurements are over a period of 24 hours, meaning that the noise level could be extremely loud for 1-2 hours, but as long as there is no activity over the next 22 hours, the noise level would be considered normal. (To offer a comparison, if your neighbor is using a jack hammer next to your house for 2 hours and is quiet after that, you cannot complain about deafening noise because when you average it out, it comes to normal decibels.)
- Schools on the flight paths already have to stop lessons for a couple of minutes while the jets fly over. 27-50% Increase in jet activity means that kids will be losing that much more time of education in schools! 3-5 minutes lost because of the F35s may not sound trivial, but multiply it over the course of the year, and it will be clear that kids in those neighborhood will be getting less education than other kids particularly because of the F-35s.
- There is **no mention of any compensation for the neighborhoods** who will have a decreased quality of life and education for the supposed benefits of the so called economic development of the city. If the projected benefits are in the range of millions, why are our neighborhood and our children – among the most disadvantaged in the city – asked to bear the burden WITHOUT any compensation? This is unacceptable!
- While the noise is major inconvenience and health concern, and while it hurts children's education in measurable ways, the noise is NOT the gravest of concerns – there is increased environmental pollution (the result of 27-50% increase in operations), climate change concerns, and an increased danger of accidents with the doubled number of jets training over heavily populated neighborhoods.
- The F-35s informational meetings I have attended have been heavily represented by the Chamber of Commerce as a main supporter. Most of their representatives are NOT members of our (modest and less privileged) communities. Their

support for the F-35s is a support for their own business interests, not the interests of the city, and definitely not the interests of our communities which will be affected the most by the F-35s.

I urge you to oppose the F-35. Pass the Madison Common Council Resolution to oppose the F-35s.

Thank you for your resolve and commitment to serving our communities.

Respectfully,

Rossitza Ivanova

114 N. Marquette Str.

Madison WI, 53704

Veldran, Lisa

From: betty weynand <madcitybets@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:08 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Jets

General Information

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Please, please support the resolution to oppose the F-35 fighter jets. The noise and air pollution these jets will bring by far outweigh any benefit they will provide to the community.

Recipient:
All Alders

Veldran, Lisa

From: Rachel Olson <rephistory@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:11 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Support for F35s at Truax

To all City of Madison Alders

I support having F35 aircraft at Truax Field at the 115th TFW. You should all support them as well. Listen to your constituents.

Respectfully
Rachel Putnam Olson

Sent from my iPhone

From: Keith Yefchak <kmyefchak26@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:16 PM
To: All Alders
Cc: badgerair@gmail.com
Subject: F-35s

Hello Madison Alders,

Please strongly consider opposing the Resolution that opposes the F-35 basing and reinforcing your support for the 115th Fighter Wing and the F-35 mission. While I understand some folks are opposed to the F-35s due to noise concerns a large majority of voters are in favor of the F-35s. The continued boost to the Madison economy along with a strategic location for national security are just a few of the many positives. Please vote on the basis of what the majority of citizens are in favor of. There are several liberal Democrats in favor of the F-35s including Senator Baldwin and Bidy Martin. Please stand with your fellow Democratic leaders and oppose the Madison Council resolution opposing the F-35s.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Keith Yefchak
Lynndale Road
District 20

Veldran, Lisa

From: Linda Hall <lhall23@att.net>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:23 PM
To: All Alders; Rummel, Marsha
Subject: Oppose the stationing of F-35 fighter jets at Truax
Attachments: MMM Minute F-35s FINAL.pdf; Attached Message Part

Dear Alder,

I write to urge your support for the original resolution 57364 opposing the stationing of F-35 fighter jets at Truax.

I and my faith community oppose the addition of these fighter jets based on moral grounds.?? They will contribute to increased military spending and decreased peace (see attached statement).?? In addition, as has been clearly demonstrated, they will be nearly 4 times louder than the F-16s which are already a nuisance for those of us who live under their flight path.?? The F-35s will also fly more frequently than the F-16s, therefore, causing further disruption than we already have.?? There will also be increased air and water pollution from the F-35s.?? In addition, the low income families that live closest to Truax will be disproportionately impacted.

My alder, Marsha Rummel, is opposed to having the F-35s at Truax,?? I urge you to defer to her judgement as to the impact on her constituents.

Sincerely,

Linda Hall
1834 Rutledge
Madison 53704

Minute opposing F-35 fighter jets at Truax Air National Guard base in Madison, Wisconsin

September 1, 2019

We, the Madison Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) call on our elected officials and community leaders to oppose stationing F-35 fighter jets at Truax Air National Guard base in Madison, Wisconsin. As Quakers, we seek to remove the circumstances that foster war, based on our belief there is that of God in everyone. That belief has been shown to turn adversaries into friends, while to prepare for war creates a threat, making enemies of people who might otherwise be our allies.

The nuclear-capable F-35s have been designated a part of the US strategic nuclear bomber force. They can each carry 2 nuclear warheads up to 4 times more powerful than the bombs that destroyed Hiroshima and Nagasaki, which caused hundreds of thousands of deaths. We object to Wisconsin allowing Truax Air National Guard to house these jets and to train pilots to fly them. If the Truax F-35s are given a "nuclear mission", the Air National Guard will become complicit in the nuclear bombing of other nations, and Truax itself will become a military target.

We are also very concerned about the day to day impact of F35 flight operations on the residents of East Madison. According to the draft Air National Guard Environmental Impact Statement released in August 2019, the expansion of the Truax base to accommodate the F-35s will cause increased noise levels. State and local government will bear the cost of much of the relocation of families and soundproofing of homes. Low-income residents in surrounding neighborhoods will have their communities disrupted. Young children and vulnerable adults in homes and schools in the area will be subject to unacceptable noise levels. Residents in the periphery will have to cope with increased flights and noise, and the impact on property values.

There have already been serious threats to water quality in NE Madison due to PFAS contamination from Truax firefighting activities. We fear further contamination of Madison well water by Truax expansion and maintenance of F35's. Those living near Truax will also have to contend with the health effects of air pollution due to increased jet exhaust from F35 "backburner" or auxiliary engine use. Finally, the fossil fuel expended by each F35 flight will contribute significantly to climate change.

We applaud our elected officials who are working to increase diplomacy, and urge all to follow their lead. We are also grateful to members of the Wisconsin National Guard, who work to keep us safe. We honor them with our respect and compassion, but we do not support the use of violence as a means to this end. Our National Guard serves us by offering a range of domestic support services, including disaster relief regionally and nationally, firefighting and water assistance, and help with civilian aircraft issues. By redirecting tax money from the F-35 program, the Guard could supplement these and add other missions including cybersecurity and anti-terrorism work. Every dollar spent on healthcare, education and the environment creates up to 3 times as many jobs as the same amount spent on the military.

In the words of Albert Einstein: "You cannot simultaneously prevent and prepare for war. The very prevention of war requires more faith, courage and resolution than are needed to prepare for war." We urge our elected officials to summon the faith, courage and resolution to reject the F-35 aircraft being located at Truax Field. As members of the Religious Society of Friends, we also advocate for an end to the nuclear capable F-35 program and for US compliance with international treaties to eliminate nuclear weapons. Surely Madison can attract clean energy and other sustainable industry that will create jobs without threatening the health and safety of Madison residents. We wish to see Wisconsin as a force for peace in the nation and the world.

From: VICTORIA HESTAD <vhestad@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:25 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35A

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Message:

Dear City of Madison Adlers,

I am writing to let you know that I support the Common Council Resolution Opposing the F-35A Fighter Jets at Truax Field. I attended the public hearing at the Aliant Energy Center. I learned a lot.

I oppose the addition of the F-35A fighter Jets because the existing noise due to current fighter jets and county airport operations is already unacceptable.

The Air Force and Air National Guard will provide no funds for noise abatement. And noise abatement is actually not really possible... unless you want to live IN YOUR HOUSE YEAR ROUND and not ever go outside.

No one can say how truly loud they will be and the sound map is based on 'averages over a 24 hour period' which I don't even know what that means and I am betting you don't either.

We are actively working to improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods and encourage more people to live in the city. Madison and Dane County currently lead Wisconsin in population growth. Rather than encouraging people to live where they work and play, the F-35A squadron will make the city a less desirable place to live and promote urban sprawl, unsustainable lifestyles and global warming.

I ask you to please speak up for what is truly in your city's best interest. And having F-35A planes flying in our skies is not in our best interest.

Thank you,
Vicky Hestad

Recipient:
All Alders

From: Erin M Lemley <emlemley@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:27 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Proposed F-35s at Truax field

Dear Madison Alders,

I am writing as a resident of the Hawthorne neighborhood to express my support for the resolution by Alder Grant Foster opposing the placement of F-35 jets at Truax field. As a member of the neighborhood, I currently live with the F-16 jets and don't mind the noise too much, however I have several concerns about the increased noise level and frequency with the F-35s.

My biggest concern is the disproportionate effect of the increased noise on the people of color living in the neighborhood. Our city already has a well-documented history of racial disparities which can only be increased when we welcome programs with a disproportionate effect on minorities. The Madison site has the highest number of people affected of the five sites studied, and a large number of the people affected are those that are often the least heard on municipal issues.

Although I do not have children myself, I am also concerned about the impact this will have on kids, including kids going to school at Hawthorne Elementary. Although the school itself is outside of the 65 dB zone, the noise was averaged over a 24-hour period, which makes little sense as the noise of the jets is a problem in the moment and not for a full day. The jets are estimated to be 4x louder and with 47% more flights, the learning of the kids at the school will surely be impacted. Differently-abled children are likely to be even more significantly impacted than neurotypical children.

I am also concerned about the environmental impact of more construction and plane flights on our neighborhood. Starkweather Creek in our neighborhood is already significantly contaminated as is Well 15, and this contamination is at least partly tied to chemicals used at the National Guard base. The National Guard has not yet completed their investigation of the current contamination, which once again is disproportionately impacting the health and environment of people of color. There seems to be no specific plan on cleaning up the current contamination, much less on how to mitigate further contamination during construction and increased activity at the base.

I request that you support the resolution proposed by Alder Foster, and that you write a public comment to the USAF asking them to consider an alternate site for this project.

Sincerely,
Erin M Lemley

From: Judith Utevsky <jau.nu77@gmail.com>
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Subject: Support Resolution 57364

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Message:

Please vote for resolution 57364, which opposes bringing the F-35 fighter jets to Truax.

I live on the near Eastside of Madison, outside of the highest risk areas, but am already affected by the noise of F-15 jets as they fly by the noise can affect my health, either to trigger or exacerbate a migraine.

More importantly, I am deeply concerned as a citizen about the effect of noise and pollution on poor residents and residents of color, especially children, in the affected area around Truax, as well as those in surrounding areas.

Although I have no training in engineering or construction, I question whether homes can be adequately soundproofed. Furthermore, the implicit assumption seems to neglect the fact that people leave their housing units, walk down the street, go to the park, go to school, etc. Would the Federal Govt have them simply stuck inside their "soundproofed" living spaces, as if on house arrest?

The resolution itself is quite comprehensive in analysis of the draft Environmental Impact Statement thus I will sign off with my strong conviction that this resolution is essential to the health, safety and the pursuit of racial and economic equity of all members of our community.

Thank you,
Judith Utevsky

Recipient:
All Alders

From: Mr. McCoy <vicmccoy05@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:57 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: F-35 Supporter

Our local community has been protected and defended by the men and women of the 115th Fighter Wing for years. They have been a professional organization that has provided air alert for the entire Midwest, and they have also deployed to remote and dangerous places away from their friends and family in order to keep our nation safe. I live very close to the airport, and I hear the engine noise, but not for more than a few minutes at a time - and I don't mind because I understand that I bought a home near an airport. I am honored to have the 115th Fighter Wing in my community, and my family and I support the F-35

From: Colleen Cox <colleenccox@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 11:57 PM
To: All Alders
Subject: Please support original resolution 57364

Dear Alders,

I am joining many others in Madison to voice my concern over the Air National Guard F-35A Operational Beddown at the 115th Fighter Wing site. **I urge you to support the original resolution 57364 drafted by my alder Sayed Abbas and others** which opposes locating this operation at Truax Field, citing numerous issues with the Draft Air Force Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and stating that the EIS should be revised to list the five sites in order of environmental impacts to clearly show Truax Field and Madison is the worst choice.

I currently experience the high noise levels of the existing fighter jets flying overhead and I am very concerned about the increased noise level that the added fighter jet operations will bring. The EIS states that "peak noise levels within the 70-75 DNL contour could reach 116 dB, a noise level 25 times greater than 70 dB" and it is truly alarming to consider the impact this would have on the quality of life for residents of several neighborhoods, including mine. Additionally, I run on the Starkweather Creek Bike Path several times a week and truly appreciate the diversity of wildlife I have seen in this area - owls, turtles, frogs, deer - that will also be adversely impacted.

I listened to Alders and my neighbors at the recent meeting at Sherman Middle School, I have viewed the resolution and the impact statement, and I believe that the committed group of alders who drafted this resolution researched the issues thoroughly. Please join them in support of the original resolution 57364.

Respectfully,

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