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To:

SUSAN DAVIS <sdavis10@ [REDACTED]>

Subject:

Re: Paisley Park

Susan,

Thank you for your email. I will include it with the staff report to the planning commission and the city council.

Kate

Sent from my iPad

> On Sep 1, 2016, at 3:48 PM, SUSAN DAVIS wrote:

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> Good afternoon, I recently purchased an office condo on Stone Creek Drive to expand my mental health practice/business. I have been in St. Louis Park for 18 years and decided it was time to expand to the SW Metro. I turn at Audubon and Coulter Blvd. to get to the office as will many of the clients that come to see the therapists and psychiatrists at this location.

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> I do not support turning Paisley Park into a museum. There is considerable pedestrian congestion now. It is dangerous to have to stop to allow pedestrians who run across the road, stop traffic. Audubon is a 2 lane road. How does the city plan on addressing the traffic issues? Are clients going to have to drive to the next light, Galpin and backtrack to my office? This will negatively impact my business and truthfully the lives of people suffering from mental health issues. Imagine the anxiety this will produce when a client is stuck at the light at Audubon and as a result is late and/or too late to make their appointment. Who is going to compensate the local businesses? Where in the world are people going to park to see the museum? Oh, I see, you are going to allow "them" to tear down green space to build a parking lot. I don't get it and disagree. How much more green space are we going to tear down for people to get rich? To suggest that there will not be anymore traffic generated than General Mills? I find that hysterical. There is more traffic in and out of Stone Creek than General Mills and the museum will certainly draw more.

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> Don't get me wrong, I like Prince. His loss is tragic and will have impact on the music world and our community for years. His death could have been prevented had the need for secrecy and privacy not outweighed the need to get him help. What this community needs is more clinics like mine to help individuals get well and not feel as though they need to hide mental health or physical health issues either due to stigma, reprisal, or both.

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> Having said that, I do not support this endeavor. When are there going to be community meetings to voice concern for this?

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