



Case #: 22525

Case Date: 11/16/22

Subject Address:

Subject Name: Family Promise

Subject Phone:

Subdivision/General Location: Hope Church

Complainant Name: Roger Laughlin

Complainant Address: 1345 Raymond St

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Complainant Will Testify:

Complaint Description: We have lived in Plainfield since 1980's. We raised our children and had decided to make the area around Hope Presbyterian our home. The church has always been a rock in the neighborhood even though we did not attend services there. When a church leaves a neighborhood, it has a negative effect on the surrounding area. Purchase of this property by another religious organization would be optimal. The zoning should not be changed. This has caused much consternation among the residents adjacent to the property. I don't understand why Plainfield (and specifically this neighborhood) is responsible for all of society's ills, we believe these people should be helped but in a more appropriate setting--not a quiet middle class neighborhood. Several people have voiced support for Family Promise relocation but we've noticed very few live in the surrounding neighborhood or even in Plainfield. People came to Plainfield to escape the mayhem caused by drug addicts and homeless wandering the neighborhood. We feel the elderly and young families will be chased from here. To those who say we must help with everybody's issues, I say open your house and let them stay in your home, I'll bet they won't. We need a resolution to this as there have already several homes for sale after hearing about this plan. Homeless resource centers traditionally are located in less prime areas, and we foresee a rapid decline of the neighborhood if rezoning is passed. Please vote against rezoning for Family Promise. Thank you.

Complaint Type 1: Other

Complaint Type 2: Council/Admin Cases