



RESOLUTION NO. 19-20

RESOLUTION JOINING THE CITY OF OAK CREEK IN OPPOSITION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A POSTAL SERVICE PROCESSING AND MAIL DISTRIBUTION FACILITY AT 2209 E. COLLEGE AVENUE, 6405 AND 6469 S. PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, 2000R E. BIRCH DRIVE, 1900R E. POPLAR DRIVE AND 1920A E. RAWSON AVENUE

WHEREAS, on December 2, 2008 the Common Council of the City of Oak Creek adopted Ordinance No. 2530, rezoning the properties at 2209 E. College Avenue, 6405 and 6469 S. Pennsylvania Avenue, 2000R E. Birch Drive, 1900R E. Poplar Drive and 1920A E. Rawson Avenue (the Properties) from A-1, Agricultural and B-4, Highway Business to M-1 (Manufacturing) Planned Unit Development; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of that rezoning and subsequent agreements, the property owner agreed to comply with conditions and restrictions to regulate the construction and operation of a postal service processing and distribution center on the properties; and

WHEREAS, under the terms of those agreements, construction was to have commenced within thirty-six (36) months (December 2, 2011) from the date of adoption, and that all the public improvements be completed within sixty (60) months (December 2, 2013); and

WHEREAS, the City of South Milwaukee was involved in the review process for the 2008 project, as the project not only impacts the traffic flow into the City of South Milwaukee but also is sited on South Milwaukee land per the 2008 plans; and

WHEREAS, except for certain improvements to College Avenue, none of the public improvements identified in the general development plan, conditions and restrictions and traffic impact analysis have been constructed to date; and

WHEREAS, on July 30, 2019 the City of Oak Creek (Oak Creek) received a letter from the United States Postal Service (USPS) declaring its intent to construct a mail processing center on the properties (the Project), and providing the Oak Creek the opportunity to review and comment on the project; and

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2019 Oak Creek responded to the United States Postal Service and formally requested the opportunity to review and comment on the project; and

WHEREAS, on October 25, 2019 Oak Creek staff met with a representative from the United States Postal Service, who verbally described the scope of the project but indicated that there were no plans available for local review at this time and that it was their intent to commence construction as early as November 4, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the conditions under which the original project were approved have changed significantly over the past decade; and

WHEREAS, Oak Creek has yet to receive assurances from the USPS that it intends to honor its agreements with the Oak Creek with respect to the construction and operation of a postal service processing and distribution center on the properties; and

WHEREAS, under the scheduled proposed by the USPS, Oak Creek would not have an opportunity to review plans prior to the commencement of construction; and

WHEREAS, the Oak Creek has not received any assurances that the USPS intends to fulfill all its obligations under the previously agreed to planned unit development designation, tri party agreement and development agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of South Milwaukee, Wisconsin, that for and on behalf of themselves, and the taxpayers of the City of South Milwaukee, and for the reasons hereinabove set forth go on record as opposing the construction and operation of a postal service processing and distribution center on the properties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, should the development of a postal service processing and distribution center proceed that it do so in accordance with the Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act standards for soliciting, assessing, and incorporating local community input.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, should the development of a postal service processing and distribution center proceed that it do so in accordance with all the construction and operational standards that were agreed upon as part of the initial rezoning approval and development agreements.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of South Milwaukee held this 5th Day of November, 2019.

Passed and adopted this 5th day of November, 2019.



ERIK BROOKS, Mayor

ATTEST:



KAREN KASTENSON, City Clerk

VOTE: Ayes 7 Noes 1