

To whom it may concern:

Please consider this message in appeal to the proposed Barrington Firehouse on Dundee Road.

This is one of the worst proposals we have seen for some very obvious reasons. If you have walked the proposed site, this would not even be a question.

My two children attend the Barrington Early Learning Center and suffer from anxiety, PTSD and emotional trauma. Adding construction on-site would eliminate their playground time, which they look forward to on a daily basis and need in order to participate in outdoor exercise. In addition, daily sirens from future fire trucks would cause them extreme sensory and emotional distress. Please focus on our children, not a land sale. The Barrington 220 School District and the ELC has been eagerly waiting for years to acquire this land and is willing to pay for it, in order to expand it's minuscule parking lot and entry/exits. There is a nearby Firehouse on Ela & Palatine Roads that services this area and this additional firehouse is unnecessary and detrimental to our children's social and emotional well-being.

The children who attend the ELC are very young and vulnerable to extreme noise and do not deserve this torture. There are consequences to poor decisions and you can prevent this by doing the right thing. All of our children deserve the right to a safe and enjoyable educational environment that is free from harm and distress. Their early childhood developmental needs are imperative to their developmental health.

Kind regards,  
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