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Subject: FW: [External] Fwd: Traffic & Safety Concerns — Proposed 148-Child Daycare at 7754 Harwood Ave
Date: Friday, November 14, 2025 1:59:31 PM

Hello,
Another public comment to be added to the day care file.

Thank you,

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Subject: [External] Fwd: Traffic & Safety Concerns — Proposed 148-Child Daycare at 7754 Harwood Ave

Good afternoon Art,

Forwarding an email sent to Tamara in regards to the Common Council meeting on Monday evening.

Thank you!

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From: **Monica Hermanson** <monicalhermanson@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Nov 14, 2025 at 1:37 PM
Subject: Traffic & Safety Concerns — Proposed 148-Child Daycare at 7754 Harwood Ave
To: <tszudy@wauwatosa.net>

Good afternoon Members of the Traffic Affairs Committee and Common Council,

We are parents of students at St. John's Lutheran School on Harwood Avenue and Wauwatosa residents writing to express concern about the proposed 148-child daycare at 7754 Harwood Avenue.

We fully support high-quality early-childhood education in Wauwatosa; however, **we believe this specific site presents serious traffic and safety challenges that warrant further review.** The drop-

off/pick-up at St. Johns is already hectic and adding another large group of commuting cars, parents and children seems near impossible. **A traffic plan needs to be thought through.** Additionally, the winter months allow for less parking due to snow drifts and the farmer's market parking lot is inaccessible due to the winter Christmas market.

Key concerns:

The development would at least double parking and drop-off activity, forcing families and staff to navigate significantly increased traffic. Harwood Avenue is a dead-end street primarily used for school access and limited neighborhood parking.

The traffic light controlled intersection to the immediate west of the proposed facility is already difficult to navigate for commuters - motor vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians - and has seen many accidents.

Vehicles must turn around near an active railroad crossing, creating conflict points with children walking to and from school. Sadly, Wauwatosa has experienced several train-related deaths involving pedestrians in the recent past.

We respectfully ask that the City delay or condition approval until a full safety review is completed by the Traffic Affairs Committee.

Under Wauwatosa Municipal Code § 24.16.040, conditional uses must protect public health, safety, and welfare and be compatible with surrounding uses. **The current configuration does not appear to meet those standards.**

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your ongoing commitment to safe, family-friendly neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

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