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Kane County Building & Zoning Division  
Keith Berkhout, Zoning Planner

Concerning property at  
2N152 Kautz Road, St. Charles Township (09-36-476-016)

My wife and I have been home owners on Bonnie Street since 1990. Recently we were informed by neighbors of a new large, loud and intrusive business planned for an adjacent residential property.

At first I really didn't believe it. After having our tax assessment increased by 20% recently, now we are to have our property values decreased in a most unpleasant way.

Having a dog boarding kennel of this size (up to 60 dogs at the same time) cannot have anything but a strong negative impact on quality of life, home values and neighborhood appearance.

Building plans show a septic field of 115' by 55'. This is a size equivalent of 1 and a half single family home septic fields, but 60 dogs produce waste of about 24 humans. The area elevation planned for field is low and holds water often, causing soil saturation. Flushing area in freezing and snowy weather will not adequately clean up dog waste.

There is no shortage of similar businesses, but there are many available lots in the surrounding area, such as Dupage Business Center and the area north of our subdivision.

A business similar in size at Fabyan Pk. is located well away from homes. On three visits to this business at random daytime hours had dogs running outside in a play area barking loudly every time. There is no way to keep dogs from barking, especially within large groups.

Applicants web page on rover.com\* lists the following.

1. Nature walks around our dog designed scent trail.
2. Swimming in our multiple dog pools.
3. Ball pit.
4. Running through agility course.
5. Tether tug games.

These outdoor activities can only produce loud dog noises immediately next to our houses.

All home owners I have spoken to in our subdivision are opposed to this venture, Please do the same.

sincerely

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\* [https://www.rover.com/members/rachel-1-certified-fear-free-dog-trainer/?service\\_type=overnight-boarding&start\\_date=&end\\_date=&refer=search&pet\\_type=dog&frequency=onetime](https://www.rover.com/members/rachel-1-certified-fear-free-dog-trainer/?service_type=overnight-boarding&start_date=&end_date=&refer=search&pet_type=dog&frequency=onetime)