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Letter of Intent

Madison Plan Commission

This letter is in regards to the Essen Haus' desire to install a temporary sand volleyball court in the existing parking lot.

Olp Construction, LLC will be the contractor installing official volleyball equipment. The overall sand footprint will be 36' x 70'. The court itself will be 30' x 60' measured by string with bungee cords at the corners to keep the official court dimensions accurate. A 16' net will surround the entire 36' x 70' area.

We will be using official dust free volleyball sand that will be placed on the existing asphalt approximately 1' by 2' deep. A solid barrier will be installed (possibly using railroad ties or an equivalent building product) up to the top of the sand level. Above that will be a safety material (possibly using woodchip filled black construction socks) to cushion any contact with the barrier. In addition, the court will have a black membrane under and encasing the sand on the court that will extend to the top of the barrier. Drain tile will be installed under the sand to direct water to the lowest point.

The court will utilize 16 parking stalls in the parking lot but will not disrupt other parking or drives and parking lot lanes. Once the court is removed we will regain use of the 16 parking stalls.

The district Alderman, Marsh Rummel, was notified of our intent on December 18, 2013 and sent her support of the volleyball court (along with the neighborhood association approval) on January 31, 2014. This volleyball court will create another wonderful outdoor activity for area residents to enjoy as well as fill the need for more volleyball courts in the downtown area.

Sincerely

Robert Worm

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Volleyball at Essen Haus

Noise/volume/sound: No extra speakers or sound producing devices are going to be added to the volleyball court. Any music or audio will come from the current patio setup as is. This will help ensure that volume levels do not go above any current levels. With the capacity staying the same and no additional speakers, no excess noise should be produced over what the patio already produces. Neighbors are well respected and were volumes to get too loud we would work to correct the problem. No excess noise above current levels is expected.

Hours of Court use: Games will be held Monday thru Friday 5:30 pm to 10:30 pm and Sunday noon to 9:00 pm beginning the first week of May and ending the first week of September. The latest the court would be used is 10:30 pm.

Lighting: Current plans call for installation of direct lighting in addition to the existing parking lot lights. The new lights will be positioned on current parking lot poles and focus only on the court. They will be approximately 35 candle watts which, in addition to the 10 candle watts of existing parking lot lights will provide 45 candle watts suggested for outdoor volleyball play. The new lights will have separate power switches and be on only when the court is in use after natural lighting becomes insufficient.

Traffic: To ensure that no disturbances are created to traffic on S. Blair Street or Franklin Street, a 16' net will be installed surrounding the entire 36' x 70' court parameter. This will ensure no loose hit volleyballs will enter either street or the neighbors property.

Erosion control: As per city engineering requests regarding erosion control, the entire 36' x 70' sand footprint will be surrounded by a solid barrier (constructed with railroad ties or similar) secured to the blacktop. A black membrane will incase the court sand extending to the top of barrier. Drain tile will be installed under the sand to direct water to the lowest level. In addition, a filter will be placed in the existing sewer drain to prevent any sand that might escape the black membrane from entering the city sewer system.