

May 17, 2016

Village of Arlington Heights 33 S. Arlington Heights Road Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005

Re: Written Justification for Special Use Variations – Sunset Meadows Park Protective Netting Project

The Arlington Heights Park District is currently under construction at Sunset Meadows Park, located at 700 S. Dwyer Avenue, converting the two natural turf athletic fields to artificial field turf. Along with these improvements, the Board of Commissioners has directed staff to pursue the installation of protective netting along the north side of the park, to catch errant balls that may mistakenly go over the existing six-foot high ornamental fence and disrupt vehicular traffic on Kirchoff Road. The protective netting system will be 816' in length and 20' in height with a permanent synthetic netting. The post spacing will be 48' and the system will be black in color.

The purpose of this netting system is to prevent errant balls from entering traffic onto Kirchoff Road. The safety for both the users of the athletic fields at the park and the drivers on Kirchoff Road are our main concern. The Park District is currently out to bid for this work. Bids will be opened on May 17, 2016.

If you need any additional information, please feel free to contact me at (847)506-7145.

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