



rRemarks Data for November 2nd, 2021 Village Council Meeting

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Agenda Item: A. ORD 2021-9155 An ordinance establishing video gaming regulations.

Commenter: Karen Carroll, Downers Grove

Comment: I am writing to express opposition to the proposed video gaming ordinance.

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Commenter: Paula Riehle, Downers Grove

Comment: Please do not ruin our quaint, family friendly town with this! Anywhere but the downtown area is fine. This is nonsense.

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Commenter: Ellen Tombaugh, Downers Grove

Comment: I object.

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Commenter: Susie Howe, Downers Grove

Comment: Please keep video gaming out of downtown DG. You are taking away the charm of the downtown area and establishments. It will ruin our downtown area. We do not even have true bars in Downers Grove. Why would we introduce video gaming. It does not belong a family centered area of downtown DG.

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Commenter: Allen Dougherty, Downers Grove

Comment: It would be a shame to see video gaming allowed in the downtown area. It would take away from the family friendly atmosphere.

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Commenter: Timothy McCahill, Downers Grove

Comment: Video gaming should not be allowed in downers grove.

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Commenter: Tracy Shane VanHoutan, Downers Grove

Comment: NO--No..No...No.....please no gaming in downtown Downers Grove. DG is a special town and this would greatly diminish the family friendly atmosphere most DG residents love. Don't ruin what has taken so many years to build.

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Commenter: Carol Madey, Downers Grove

Comment: I am against video gaming in Downtown Downers Grove. This should be kept out of downtown. Our children walk the downtown to spend time with friends, attend concerts, go to the Tivoli and get ice cream. Video gaming would bring a seedy element and is not fitting for a family downtown.

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Commenter: Elizabeth Gozdziaak, Downers Grove

Comment: Against video gaming in Downers Grove

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Commenter: Shawn McCarthy, Downers Grove

Comment: Strongly oppose to what this will do to the look of downtown. Not opposed to machines themselves, but should put strict limitations on the advertising on storefronts to ensure the continuity of the downtown is preserved.

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Commenter: Cathy Degiorgio, Downers Grove

Comment: No

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Commenter: Melissa Nuttall, Downers Grove

Comment: I'm not in favor of video gambling in Downers Grove. At a minimum, please do not allow video gambling in the downtown business district as I believe this addition would degrade the overall family appeal of the downtown.

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Commenter: Nancy Cremer, Downers Grove

Comment: I object to the purposed video gaming ordinance. It will ruin our family friendly, classy environment that the restaurant owners have worked hard to create and change the dynamics of who is drawn to Downers Grove. The look of our town will be devalued instantly with neon signs and billboards. The gaming will not only take away seating but change the environment and ambiance of having a nice dinner and night out with friends and family. No one wants to see blinking lights and hear dinging sounds when they are spending their hard earned money on a nice dinner out.

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Commenter: Katie Krysan, Downers Grove

Comment: I am against the gaming for downtown Downers (main street area).

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Commenter: Lisa Ordway, Downers Grove

Comment: At what point did we become so strapped for cash that we would even consider this type of revenue stream? Absolutely not. Next come illegal payouts for those playing the games. Send them to the riverboats.

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Commenter: Melissa Brenner, Downers Grove

Comment: I cannot attend tonight's meeting, but want to express my desire to oppose the allowance of video gaming/gambling in Downers Grove, in particular in our downtown. I do not think this represents the type of community Downers Grove is or wants to become.

Agenda Section: Active Agenda

Agenda Item: Active - B. ORD 2021-9159 An ordinance amending certain traffic control provisions related to neighborhood traffic study #7 and the Prairie Avenue Corridor Plan.

Commenter: Mimi Doll Modica, Downers Grove

Comment: Hello-thanks for hearing my comment. As for the proposed changes to Prairie, I am in favor of marking bike lanes. I would not want bike lane marking at the expense of parking.

I'm not certain if the proposed plan for parking on Prairie is to remove all street parking or in specified areas only (i.e. near stop signs). I'd be OK with losing parking in those specified areas. I am not in favor of losing all street parking on Prairie. I think it serves a well utilized purpose for visitors, deliveries and services (e.g. landscapers, moving trucks etc) that would otherwise get diverted to narrower north/south side streets.

Thanks

Mimi

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Commenter: Laurie Siebert, Downers Grove

Comment: Not sure how or where the video gaming ordinance came from, but as a Downers Grove resident (who likes gambling), I DO NOT want to see video gaming in the downtown of Downers Grove. If you are going to approve it, can you at the very least consider only allowing it in the outskirts of our downtown... say maybe on Belmont, Ogden, 63rd, 75th, Butterfield, etc? Please consider all comments from the residents on this issue. I can not imagine there is a large population who want this in our town?