

November 3, 2012

Board of Park, Recreation, and Culture Services
Annex Building
800 Center Street, Room 127
Racine, WI 53403

Attn: Ms. Jena Kohlman

Dear Members of the Board:

This will be the Community Nativity's 7th year on Monument Square. The Christmas Coalition of Churches in Racine is requesting your approval to relocate the Nativity Scene from the North side of Monument Square to the South side of Monument Square.

We would like to place the Nativity half way between the south grassy area and the veterans' monument and midway between Main Street and the West service Street on Monument Square as shown by the diagram. Placing the Nativity in the area we are requesting will in no way obstruct the view of the beautiful Community Christmas Tree.

The reasons for this relocation are:

1. Howling cold wind coming from the west in the open area next to the old Zahn building combined with the lake wind coming up 5th St. and Main Street. There is crossfire of cold, damp winds on the North Side of Monument Square compared to the South side of Monument Square.
2. Five out of the past six years, the 2 power outlets stopped working. Consequently, we had to run the power across the East sidewalk - causing a potential safety hazard. On the south side, there are over 24 power outlets. This is more than enough to light the Community Christmas Tree and the Community Nativity Scene.

We can honestly say that not as much as a crayon mark has ever been put on the Nativity. The only damage was in 2010 when a powerful gust of wind knocked down the entire Nativity. Fortunately, three local contracting companies came to the rescue and had the Nativity completely repaired the next morning.

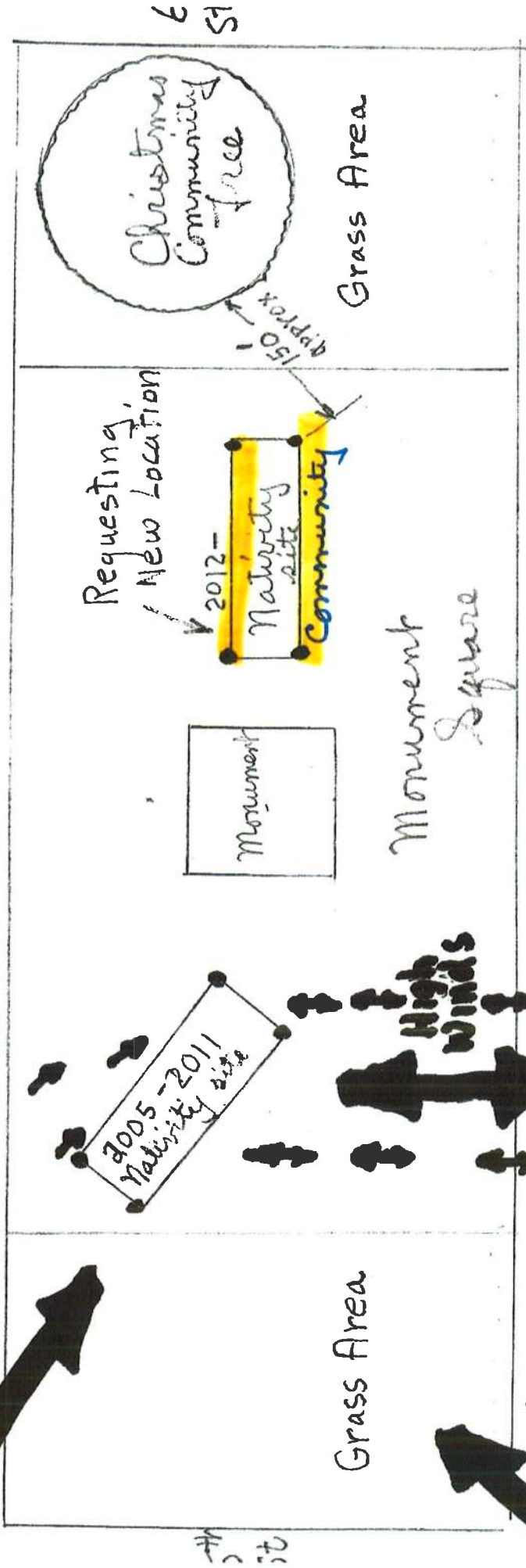
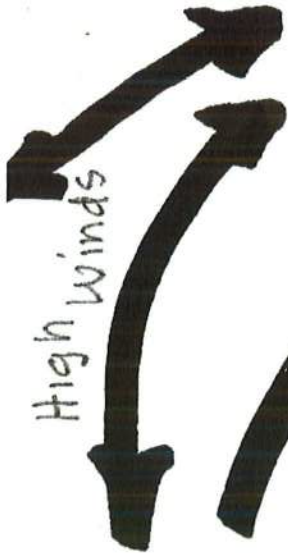
The response to the Nativity has been overwhelmingly positive. In fact, many thousands of families and individuals come to downtown Racine to visit the Nativity each year. Having the Nativity on Monument Square has been a welcome attraction in downtown Racine. We hope that it will continue to serve the community for many years to come. Your approval of this request would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely and respectfully yours,

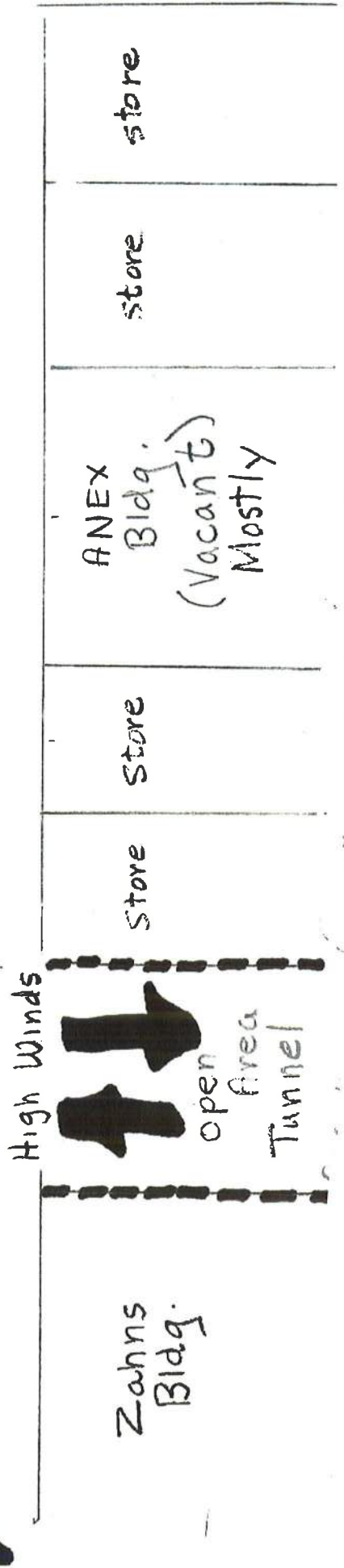
Robert Wortock, Representative
Christmas Coalition of Churches
215 Meriburr Lane
Racine, WI 53402
262-639-8820



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More than 100 churches are supporting the Nativity Scene and "O Holy Night-A Child is Born" 4th Annual Free Christmas Concert on December 12, 2009 through church announcements and furnished posters and flyers passed on.

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| 1. Christian Faith | 54. First Evangelical Free |
| 2. St. Paul Missionary Baptist | 55. First Presbyterian |
| 3. Lighthouse Baptist | 56. Greater Mt. Eagle Baptist |
| 4. St. Paul's Lutheran | 57. Atonement Lutheran |
| 5. Greater Grace Temple | 58. Epiphany Lutheran |
| 6. St. Luke's Episcopal | 59. Serbian Orthodox |
| 7. St. John's Lutheran | 60. Gethsemane Lutheran |
| 8. Evangelical Untied Methodist | 61. Wayman AME |
| 9. Trinity United Methodist | 62. Abundant Life Christian |
| 10. Cristo Rey Catholic | 63. Taylor Avenue Church of the Nazarene |
| 11. Sacred Heart Catholic | 64. Racine Baptist Temple |
| 12. St. Joseph Catholic | 65. Higher Dimension Church of God in Christ |
| 13. St. Lucy Catholic | 66. Bethania Lutheran |
| 14. St. Sebastian's Catholic | 67. Zion Lutheran |
| 15. St. John Nepomuk Catholic | 68. Second Missionary Baptist |
| 16. St. Mary by the Lake Catholic | 69. Immanuel Baptist |
| 17. St. Patrick's Catholic | 70. Word of Faith Family |
| 18. St. Paul the Apostle Catholic | 71. St. George Serbian |
| 19. St. Richard Catholic | 72. Community Christian |
| 20. St. Edward Catholic | 73. Israel of God Church |
| 21. St. Louis Catholic | 74. Midtown Church of Christ |
| 22. St. Rita Catholic | 75. Faith Community |
| 23. Covenant Presbyterian | 76. First Reform |
| 24. Northern Calvary | 77. St. Hagot Armenian |
| 25. Lutheran Church of the Resurrection | 78. Grace Lutheran |
| 26. Pentecost Lutheran | 79. Peace Lutheran |
| 27. First Evangelical Lutheran | 80. Redeemer Lutheran |
| 28. True Life | 81. New Hope Evangelical Lutheran |
| 29. Church of Christ | 82. Prince of Peace Lutheran |
| 30. Community Church of the Nazarene | 83. Christ the King Lutheran |
| 31. Racine Bible Church | 84. United Faith |
| 32. Korean Church of Racine | 85. Fellowship of Christian Believers |
| 33. Calvary Memorial | 86. Siena Center (Racine Dominicans) |
| 34. Racine Christian Reformed | 87. Gospel Lighthouse Pentecostal |
| 35. Franksville United Methodist | 88. Knights of Columbus (Council 697, Assembly 1207) |
| 36. Holy Communion Lutheran | 89. Calvary Baptist |
| 37. Our Saviors Lutheran | 90. Grace |
| 38. Lutheran Church of the Redeemer | 91. New Omega Baptist |
| 39. Christ Church | 92. Greek Orthodox Kimissis Theotokou |
| 40. Fellowship Baptist | 93. Trinity Lutheran |
| 41. Mount Pleasant Lutheran | 94. Faith United Methodist |
| 42. Messiah Lutheran | 95. First United Methodist |
| 43. First Baptist | 96. Yorkville United Methodist |
| 44. Holy Cross Lutheran | 97. Second Presbyterian |
| 45. Faith Lutheran | 98. First Church of God |
| 46. Emmaus Lutheran | 99. Faith Church of God |
| 47. Emanuel Lutheran | 100. Plymouth Congregational |
| 48. St. Andrew's Lutheran | 101. Racine Assembly of God |
| 49. St. Michael's Episcopal | 102. St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic |
| 50. St. Catherine's High School | 103. Living Light Christian |
| 51. Racine Lutheran High School | 104. Faith Christian Fellowship |
| 52. Searching Together MB (Baptist) | |
| 53. Apostolic Faith | |

At present, 20 churches, the Racine Dominicans at Siena Center, and the Knights of Columbus are in the "Christmas Coalition of Churches."