

Fwd: Conditional Use Permit Extension

RRS Administration <info@runningriverschool.org>

Mon 5/15/2023 1:07 PM

To: Cari Meyer <CMeyer@sedonaaz.gov>; Christopher Norlock <CNorlock@sedonaaz.gov>

Hello!

Here is an extra letter of support. I don't know if you can add it into our citizen outreach report. Please let me know.

Many thanks,

Lupita Pollock
Administrative Chair & Founder
Running River School
[928.301.3232](tel:928.301.3232)

"Love is higher than opinion. If people love one another the most varied opinions can be reconciled - thus one of the most important tasks for humankind today and in the future is that we should learn to live together and understand one another. If this human fellowship is not achieved, all talk of development is empty." - R. Steiner

From: Bruce Browning <brucebrowning@me.com>
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2023 12:56:38 PM
To: RRS Administration <info@runningriverschool.org>
Subject: Conditional Use Permit Extension

May 14, 2023

Sir/Madam:

My name is Bruce Browning. I am writing regarding the Conditional Use Permit for the Running River School provisionally located at Christ Center Wesleyan Church in Sedona. My wife, Katherine Sage and I are building a home at 41 Juniper Lane immediately to the southeast of the church and share a 331 foot property boundary with the church.

Until recently we were not directly involved with discussions regarding the use of Christ Center Church as an interim home for the school, but were aware that a more suitable, permanent location for the school was being sought. Apparently there was originally some concern regarding increased traffic on Brewer Road as well as the potential for noise associated with the school, however we have experienced very little of either.

Due to the extended construction process of our home we have been on-site almost daily and observed

both traffic flow as well as the school routine. Beyond the periodic wafting sound of children singing we have experienced very little indication that there is a school present at all, and when we have had contact the staff have been friendly and accommodating.

Running River's request for additional time to complete their new facility seems reasonable based on our personal experience with current construction limitations and timelines. Furthermore we feel that it is in the best interests of not just the children, but the community to allow the school the additional time to properly build their new home.

Respectfully-

Bruce Browning and Katherine Sage
41Juniper Lane, Sedona

Running River School

Jill Cross <sedonainspiredliving@gmail.com>

Sun 5/28/2023 6:43 AM

To: Christopher Norlock <CNorlock@sedonaaz.gov>

There is nothing more beautiful than children playing, laughing and having fun! I live 2 doors down and hear the kids on their recesses, they sound so happy, I Love it!

I am in full support of them continuing to have a home in the Wesleyan Church.

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Living A Sedona Inspired Life

Jill D Cross

<http://www.sedonainspiredliving.com>

C/Text 808-280-3285

Citizen Assistance Form



City Of Sedona Community & Economic Development Department
 102 Roadrunner Drive Sedona, AZ 86336
 (928) 282-1154 • Fax: (928) 204-7124

Name:	Chris Fahmi	Phone:	928 821-0893
Address:	10 Sugar Loaf Drive Sedona	Cell Phone:	
E-mail:	chrisfahmi8@gmail.com		

RECEIVED
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 CITY OF SEDONA
 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Is this a: Concern Request for Information Request for Copies*

*For document requests, please provide the name of the public body, date of meeting, and page numbers of documents requested. There is a per page copy fee.

Description of how we may help you:	Back in October of 2022 I filed a CA form complaining about the excessive noise emanating from the Running River School. To my chagrin I was informed yesterday that the form is not to be found in your archives. Please advise. Thank you, Chris Fahmi
Location/Address of concern:	Brewer Rd, Sedona

Staff Use Only

Received by:		Department:	CD	Date:	6-1-23
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Source: City Council City Management Citizen Staff Initiated

Routed for action to:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Police | <input type="checkbox"/> Community & Economic Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works | <input type="checkbox"/> IT Division |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Magistrate Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Building Safety/CED | <input type="checkbox"/> Streets/PW | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> City Manager | <input type="checkbox"/> Development Services/CED | <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater/PW | <input type="checkbox"/> Arts and Culture |

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Recommended Action: Sustained Complaint Not Sustained Unfounded Other

Comments:	
By:	Date: Time:
Citizen Notified by:	Date: Time:

CANNOT SUPPORT CUP FOR RUNNING RIVER SCHOOL/WESLEYAN CHURCH

Grantceltic <grantceltic@aol.com>

Wed 5/31/2023 6:30 PM

To: smertes@sedonaaz.gov <smertes@sedonaaz.gov>; Christopher Norlock <CNorlock@sedonaaz.gov>; Cari Meyer <CMeyer@sedonaaz.gov>

Cc: George Braam <GBraam@sedonaaz.gov>; Sarah Wiehl <sarah@ecoelegantengineering.com>; Kali Gajewski <kali@sedonabeerco.com>; Charlotte Hosseini <Charlottehosseini@gmail.com>; Will Hirst <wahirst@earthlink.net>; Kathy Levin <KLevin@sedonaaz.gov>; Lynn Zonakis <2sedona@gmail.com>; Scott Jablow <SJablow@sedonaaz.gov>; Holli Ploog <HPloog@SedonaAZ.gov>; Kathy Kinsella <KKinsella@sedonaaz.gov>; Melissa Dunn <MDunn@sedonaaz.gov>; Brian Fultz <BFultz@sedonaaz.gov>; Peter Furman <PFurman@sedonaaz.gov>; Jessica Williamson <JWilliamson@sedonaaz.gov>; Karen Kwitkin <KKwitkin@sedonaaz.gov>; Karen Osburn <KOsburn@sedonaaz.gov>; Stan Durkalec <SDurkalec@sedonaaz.gov>

 2 attachments (723 KB)

Official Complaint - page 01.jpg; Official Complaint - page 02.jpg;

Hello Steve Mertes, Chris Norlock, Cari Meyer, etc.---

This is from Eileen Grant Jr. at 630 Brewer Road in Sedona.

I, my family and our tenant at 10 Sugar Loaf Drive, Chris Fahmi, are strongly AGAINST a conditional use permit--WITH NO TERMINATION DATE--being issued to the Running River School and the Christ Center Wesleyan Church at 580 Brewer Road.

I am re-enclosing the 2-page complaint we submitted to the city in 2022. The fact of the matter is, the school has not mitigated all the noise issues/problems we have experienced--and are experiencing. Our family has had to contact Sedona code-enforcement officer Stan Durkalec on a number of occasions throughout 2022 for help with the continued---and incompatible---noise coming from the school five days every week throughout the school year.

In their current submittal packet to the City of Sedona (as well as in their prior one), the RRS school and the Wesleyan Church indicate a fenced-in play area on Juniper Lane (seen on page 20 of their current packet online). However, one of the continuing issues is that the children have not remained in that play area, and, therefore, the school/church are in breach of their permit. We are still experiencing uncomfortable--and unwanted--continuous noise bouncing into our yard/home--and also into the yard/home of our neighbor/tenant at 10 Sugar Loaf Drive. We have had to keep windows closed even during nice weather--and, even with closed windows, there has been uncomfortable screaming penetrating into our homes (through plate glass windows, etc.). The noise situation appears irresolvable here because the Christ Center Wesleyan Church is in a hollow and the noise bounces into our homes via a "stadium effect" at 630 Brewer Road and 10 Sugar Loaf Drive. (At times there have been those of us unable to remain outside in the yards because the screaming from the kids is so uncomfortable.)

The children are permitted to SCREAM, plain and simple. The entire situation is incompatible with what is outlined in the City Land Development (LDC) Code regarding noise, compatibility, sound mitigation, and so forth with respect to surrounding properties. (Please see both pages of the attached complaint from 2022 signed by both my mother (Eileen A. Grant) and me (Eileen Grant Jr.).

I have also just found out from Sedona City Staff member Chris Norlock that the RRS and the Christ Center Wesleyan Church are seeking a conditional use permit with NO TERMINATION DATE. That is tantamount to creating a permanent school zone adjacent to our property in an old, residential neighborhood.

At this point, those of us in this part of the Brewer Road neighborhood feel completely ill-used by this entire CUP process, the Running River School and the Christ Center Wesleyan Church. We were initially told by them in 2021 that this would be a TEMPORARY situation. A conditional use permit with no termination date is NOT A TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENT. The school has also now finally admitted that they do not have the funds in hand to complete their desired renovations to their building on Navajo Drive--nor do they indicate when they expect to have those funds.

Please forward this complaint to all those on the Planning and Zoning Commission, as the school being next door has not worked out for us. (The church, in particular, continues to collect rent money every month in this business venture with the private school; they make money in an old residential neighborhood, while, in contrast, we have to

continue to spend money for attorneys to protect our property rights and live with a continual, miserable noise condition. This is a completely inequitable situation.)

This is at least the third occasion the Christ Center Wesleyan Church has tried to turn its Brewer Road property into a permanent school zone, beginning in 1998. Please just say, "No."

Sincerely,
Eileen Grant Jr.

Issue Number: 3483
Citation Number:
Issue Date: 2/11/2022
Issue Type: NonPermittedUse
Issue Status: Closed



City of Sedona
 102 Roadrunner Drive
 Sedona, AZ 86336

Issue Description:

A Citizen Assistance Form complaint was received 2/10/2022. The complaint stems from noise coming from the Running River School. The complainant is concerned that the school is not adhering to their CUP (See attachments).

Source Cust Number: 005879

Source Name: EILEEN GRANT S&S

Source Description:

Eileen Grant Ph# 928-254-0701
 630 Brewer Rd

Target Cust Number: 005801

Target Lot No: 000887

Target Name: SEDONA CHRIST CENTER

Target Lot Address: 580 BREWER RD

Target Business Phone: (928) 282-9767

Target Home Phone: (520) 282-9767

Target Lot City, State: SEDONA, AZ 86336

Target Description:

Ordinance:

Notes:

I made contact with Lupita from the Running River School, 2/11/2022. I made her aware of the complaint. I made Lupita aware that she will have to stick with the agreements made in her conditional use permit.

Resolution Type: Closed

Resolution Notes:

User Defined:

Character 1:	Date 1:	Count:	1.00	Proactive:
Character 2:	Date 2:	Decimal 2:	0.00	Logical 2:

Step: 1	Queue:	
User Name:	Role:	Action:
Scheduled Date:	Completed Date: 2/10/2022	Action Description:
Scheduled Time: 12:00 AM	Completed Time: 3:00:00PM	Action Status:

Description:
Complaint Received

Notes:

Step: 2	Queue:	
User Name:	Role:	Action:
Scheduled Date:	Completed Date: 2/11/2022	Action Description:
Scheduled Time: 12:00 AM	Completed Time: 9:30:00AM	Action Status:

Description:
First Site Inspection

Notes:

Step: 3	Queue:	
User Name:	Role:	Action:
Scheduled Date:	Completed Date:	Action Description:
Scheduled Time: 12:00 AM	Completed Time: 12:00 AM	Action Status:

Description:
Pending NOV

Notes:



102 Roadrunner Drive Telephone: 928-282-3113
Sedona, Arizona 86336 Fax: 928-204-7105

CITIZEN ASSISTANCE FORM

Date: 1/18/2022 Time: 5 P.M. Phone: (928) 259-0701
Name: EILEEN GRANT JR. Alt. Phone:
Address: 630 BREWER ROAD, SEDONA, AZ 86336
Email: grantec@att.net

General Description of how we may help you: COMPLAINT

THE CITY OF SEDONA HAS RUINED OUR QUALITY OF LIFE AGAIN BY ALLOWING THE WESLEYAN CHURCH, AT 580 BREWER ROAD, TO RENT THEIR PROPERTY TO ANOTHER SCHOOL. AS WE DELINEATED AGAIN BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL ON NOVEMBER 23, 2021, WHEN SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE ON THE BLACKTOP AND SCREAMING BEHIND THE CHURCH AND IMMEDIATELY BELOW OUR HOME, THE NOISE COMES INTO OUR HOME EVEN THROUGH THE CLOSED AND 2" LARGE, PLATE GLASS WINDOWS OF OUR HOME WHICH ARE ABOVE THE PARKING LOT. THE CHURCH PARKING LOT IS NOT A DESIGNATED/DESIGNED PLAYGROUND FOR CHILDREN. YET AGAIN, THIS ARRANGEMENT DOES NOT WORK. OUR FAMILY HAS BEEN BETRAYED BY THE SEDONA CITY STAFF.

Location of Issue:

THE CHRIST CENTER WESLEYAN CHURCH ON BREWER ROAD (580 BREWER). ONCE AGAIN, THE CHRIST CENTER WESLEYAN CHURCH IS A FAILED LOCATION FOR A SCHOOL.

To view the status of your report you may visit www.SedonaAZ.gov. Click on Report It! Then click on Track a Request.

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JAN 31 2022

[FOR STAFF USE ONLY]

Report Type:

- Abandoned Vehicle, Animal Control, Code Enforcement, Drainage, Graffiti Reporting, Illegal Dumping/Trash, Illegal Parking, Illegal Sign, Noise Complaint, Off Road Vehicles, Other, Park Concern, Pothole, Property Violation, Road Debris, Sewer, Sidewalk Broken/Trtp Hazard, Street Lighting/Signals, Street Sign, Tree Issue, Water Leak, Weeds

Comments:

By: Date:

RECEIVED BY: DATE:

→ THE SEDONA PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION AND THE SEDONA CITY COUNCIL FOR ALLOWING OUR FAMILY TO BE MISTREATED AGAIN IN THIS MANNER

THE CHILDREN WERE OUT SCREAMING @ 11 AM AND THEREAFTER AND @ 1 P.M. AND THEREAFTER. WE HAVE CALLED LUPITA POLLOCK - ADMINISTRATOR OF THE RUNNING RIVER SCHOOL AND APPRISED HER OF THE SITUATION. WE SUGGESTED THE CHILDREN USE THE DESIGNATED, FENCED "PLAY AREA" THAT THE SEDONA CITY STAFF, P+Z, AND CITY COUNCIL WERE TOLD THE SCHOOL WOULD USE.

THE CURRENT SITUATION AT THE WESLEYAN CHURCH IS NOW A VIOLATION OF:

1) 8.4 B(1) - BECAUSE THERE IS NO MITIGATION OR COMPATIBILITY - ESPECIALLY CONCERNING NOISE - WITH PROPERTIES IN THE IMMEDIATE SURROUNDING AREA OF THE WESLEYAN CHURCH.

2) 8.3 E(5) AND 8.3 E(5) AND DUE TO NOISE FROM SCREAMING CHILDREN. KIDS SCREAM - AND THERE IS A "STADIUM EFFECT" HERE BECAUSE OF THE LOCATION OF THE CHURCH AND THE BACK PARKING LOT BEING IN A HOLLOW, THIS IS NOT A LOCATION FOR A SCHOOL - PERIOD.

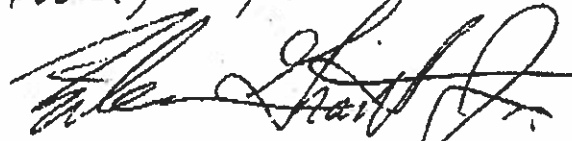
THIS SITUATION IS ALSO A COMPLETE FAIL ACCORDING TO 9.3 E(5) d. -

COMPLIANCE WITH THIS CODE AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE REGULATIONS

★ "THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSE STATEMENTS OF THIS CODE AND COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE STANDARDS IN THIS CODE AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE REGULATIONS, REQUIREMENTS AND PLANS, UNLESS THE STANDARD IS LAWFULLY MODIFIED OR VARIED. COMPLIANCE WITH THESE STANDARDS IS APPLIED AT THE LEVEL OF DETAIL REQUIRED FOR THE SUBJECT SUBMITTAL."

REGARDING THE LAST SENTENCE OF 9.3 E(5) d, THERE WAS, AGAIN, A COMPLETE FAIL AT THE LEVEL OF SUBJECT SUBMITTAL.

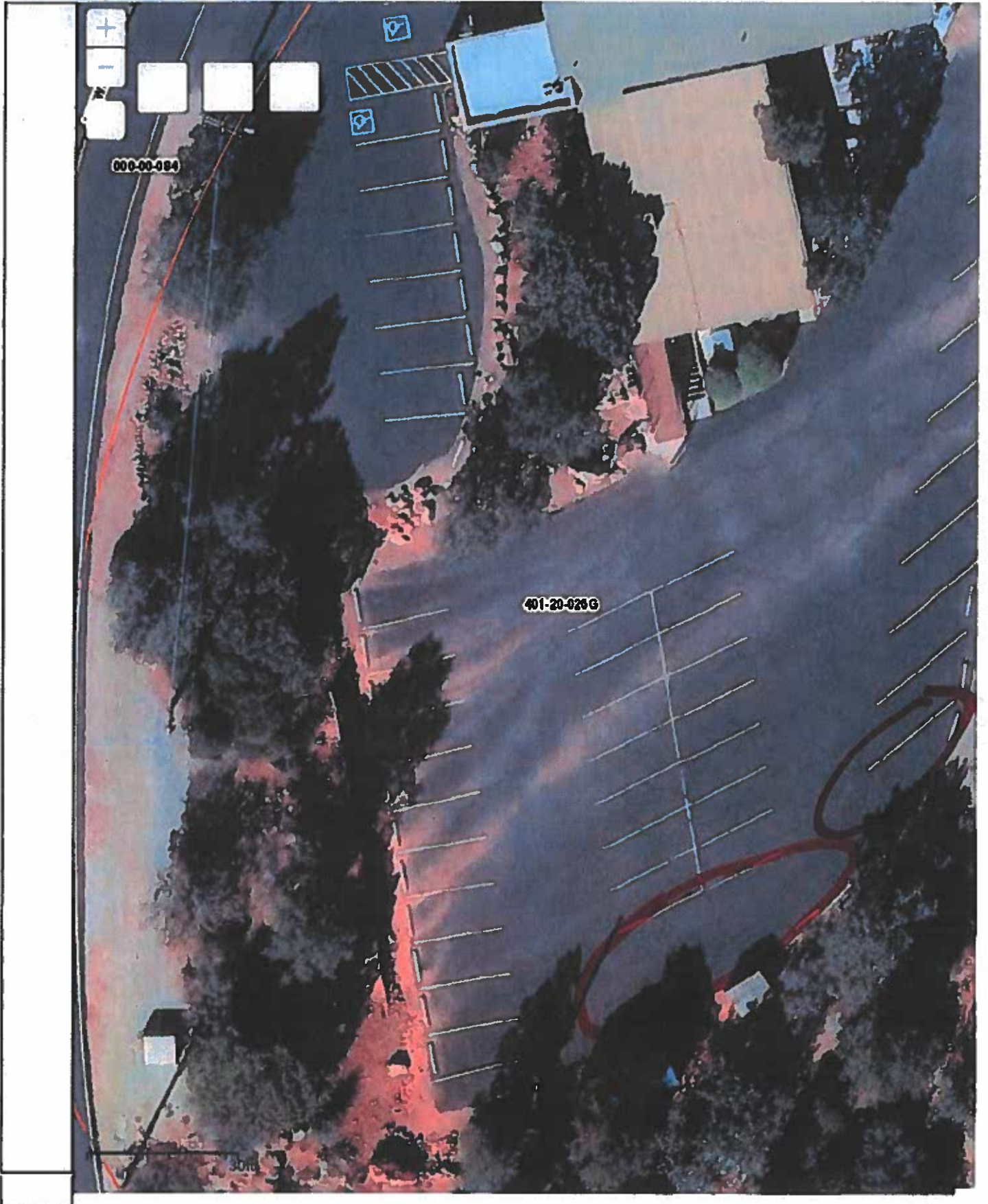
WE ARE SICK AND TIRED OF BEING VICTIMIZED BY YOUR FAILED "SCHOOL POLICY;" BUT, YOU DO NOT CARE.


EILEEN GRANT JR.

Eileen A. Grant

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CITY OF SEDONA
COMMISSION ON ZONING

E.D. Eileen A. Grant



Fw: FROM EILEEN GRANT JR./JUST SENT YOU A FAX AT 928-204-7124

Steve Mertes <SMertes@sedonaaz.gov>

Thu 6/1/2023 7:35 PM

To: Cari Meyer <CMeyer@sedonaaz.gov>; Brian Armstrong <BArmstrong@sedonaaz.gov>

FYI (I forgot to copy you.)



Steve Mertes
Director of Community Development

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Public safety 24/7

From: Steve Mertes <SMertes@sedonaaz.gov>

Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2023 7:11 PM

To: Grantceltic <grantceltic@aol.com>

Subject: Re: FROM EILEEN GRANT JR./JUST SENT YOU A FAX AT 928-204-7124

Hello Eileen.

Sorry, again, for contacting you late in the day. Yes, I have received your fax today. (Citizen Assistance Form from Chris Fahmi.) Both it, your own complaint from 1/18/22 and your email from yesterday stating that you are against the new CUP as presented, will be sent to the Planning and Zoning Commissioners so that they can have it and read it before the meeting on Tuesday.

Regarding why your additional calls to Stan Durkalec or Chris Fahmi's original Citizen Assistance Form from October of 2022 was not in our Code Enforcement's files, I cannot answer that. I can tell you that I have spoken to Brian Armstrong, the Code Enforcement Supervisor, and Stan's boss, about this, and we will be continuing to address this when Stan comes back from his time off next week.

Have a good rest of your evening, and I hope to meet you at the Commission meeting on Tuesday. Please note that, as our office works four 10-hour days, any emails or correspondence sent tomorrow will be received and addressed on Monday.



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From: Grantceltic <grantceltic@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2023 5:13 PM
To: Steve Mertes <SMertes@sedonaaz.gov>
Subject: FROM EILEEN GRANT JR./JUST SENT YOU A FAX AT 928-204-7124

Dear Mr. Mertes---

Hi-- Eileen Grant Jr. here. Thank you so much for speaking with me yesterday.

We just sent you a fax at the number provided by the city--928-204-7124. Please do E-mail me here and let me know you received it.

The second page of the fax is a Citizens Assistance Form which Chris Fahmi, who lives at 10 Sugarloaf Drive, submitted to the city at Community Development this morning, 6/1/2023. She clearly states that she submitted another CA in October of 2022 regarding the "excessive noise emanating from the Running River School." After I spoke with you yesterday, I let her know that you only had the 2022 written complaint from my mom and I. Ms. Fahmi would like to know what happened to her former, submitted complaint. She can be reached at 928-821-0893.

What I can tell you, Mr. Mertes, is that the original Citizens Assistance Form that my mom and I submitted to the Sedona City/Community Development in January of 2022 ALSO "DISAPPEARED." When I subsequently called the city about it in 2022, no one could locate it. (I had to make several calls, as I was directed to the city clerk's office, etc. I believe I spoke with someone over there named Sheree at the time). I have in my notes that I finally spoke with Sedona Code Enforcement Officer Stan Durkalec on 2/10/2022. He informed me that our submitted complaint was not on file. He gave me his fax number and we re-submitted the complaint--then he was able to see to it that our CA Form was properly recorded with the city. Mr. Durkalec should be able to verify this if you query him.

It really is problematic, Mr. Mertes, when complaints from those who have had legitimate issues with the RRS being located at the Wesleyan Church at 580 Brewer Road have their complaints discarded, not recorded (or whatever it is) by the City of Sedona. Why aren't our complaints in the Planning and Zoning Staff Report which has now gone to the Sedona Planning and Zoning Commission? It sure looks like our legitimate complaints have been dismissed. Meanwhile, there are letters in favor of the school/church getting a CUP renewal...from people who admit to having family members who are part of the Christ Center Wesleyan Church. (For instance, please see page 31 of the submittal which the Sedona Planning and Zoning Commission now has for the letter by Ingrid Orosa--whose mother has been a member of the Christ Center Wesleyan Church at 580 Brewer Road: <https://www.sedonaaz.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/49357>)

I hope that you can understand our valid concerns in all this--and why the issuance of a non-terminating-conditional-use-permit is completely unacceptable under these circumstances. For one thing, all reasonable and desired "checks and balances" will be eliminated.

Thank you again for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,
E. Grant Jr.-----

Email to Planning and Zoning Commissioners

donotreply@sedonaaz.gov <donotreply@sedonaaz.gov>

Sun 6/4/2023 11:36 PM

To: Cari Meyer <CMeyer@sedonaaz.gov>; Steve Mertes <SMertes@sedonaaz.gov>

A new entry to a form/survey has been submitted.

Form Name: Email the Planning and Zoning Commission
Date & Time: 06/04/2023 11:36 p.m.
Response #: 5
Submitter ID: 5555
IP address: 47.215.237.56
Time to complete: 3 min. , 46 sec.

Survey Details

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This email will be sent to each Commissioner and a Community Development staff member. If you have questions please enter your contact information so that we can respond. Please note that all information submitted (including name and addresses) will become part of the public record and will be available for public inspection.

1. Project Name (if applicable) or Topic:

Wesleyan church school

2.

Please enter your comment below.

Deny the non terminating CUP request. We should not have this on Brewer road. Too noisy and too much traffic. Not fair to the neighbors.

3. Your contact information

Name: Connie Bryant
Mailing Address: 145 Blackhawk lane
E-mail: Con4919@aol.com

Thank you,
City of Sedona

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Email to Planning and Zoning Commissioners

donotreply@sedonaaz.gov <donotreply@sedonaaz.gov>

Mon 6/5/2023 10:12 AM

To: Cari Meyer <CMeyer@sedonaaz.gov>; Steve Mertes <SMertes@sedonaaz.gov>

A new entry to a form/survey has been submitted.

Form Name: Email the Planning and Zoning Commission
Date & Time: 06/05/2023 10:12 a.m.
Response #: 6
Submitter ID: 5556
IP address: 98.97.60.42
Time to complete: 7 min. , 25 sec.

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1. Project Name (if applicable) or Topic:

Running River School CUP

2.

Please enter your comment below.

We do Not support a non-terminating CUP at Wesleyan Church.. noise, traffic impact to residential neighborhood.

3. Your contact information

Name: Mike and Laura wagner
Mailing Address: 631 Brewer rd Sedona
E-mail: Llwagoner@yahoo.com

Thank you,
City of Sedona

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Case # P223-00003 CUP, Running River School

Skip Miller <flskipmiller@yahoo.com>

Thu 6/1/2023 8:11 PM

To: Christopher Norlock <CNorlock@sedonaaz.gov>

To Whom It May Concern,

My wife and I own the property at 91 Juniper Lane. Although we are not full time residents during the months we have been in Sedona we have seen no issues with the Running River School. There is a slight increase in traffic coming and going from the school in the morning and at the end of the school day. From my view point it never has been a problem and no negative issues with the children attending the school. The Running River School provides care and education to the children and I am sure a welcome asset to the parents.

Therefore we approve the renewal of the Conditional Use Permit for the school.

Fred L. & Diane F. Miller

Comment on Development Proposal

donotreply@sedonaaz.gov <donotreply@sedonaaz.gov>

Mon 6/5/2023 1:27 PM

To: Cari Meyer <CMeyer@sedonaaz.gov>; Christopher Norlock <CNorlock@sedonaaz.gov>; Elizabeth Glowacki <EGlowacki@sedonaaz.gov>

A new entry to a form/survey has been submitted.

Form Name: Comments on Development Proposals
Date & Time: 06/05/2023 1:27 p.m.
Response #: 418
Submitter ID: 5558
IP address: 47.215.229.218
Time to complete: 19 min. , 19 sec.

Survey Details

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We want to hear what you think. Please share your thoughts below. If you have questions about the project, please enter your contact information so that we can respond. Please note that all information submitted (including name and addresses) will become part of the public record and will be available for public inspection.

1. Project Name:

Running River school CUP is extention

2.

What are your comments, concerns, ideas, and suggestions about this project?

I have lived and worked in West Sedona for the past 16 years, since moving here in 2007. I have been and continue to be a wellness practitioner in town, working through the spa at L'Auberge de Sedona , as well as thru various small businesses and retreat centers. My 12 year old son, Michael, has attended Running River School since 1st grade-6th grade and just enrolled for his upcoming 7th grade year. Our family greatly honors and respects the education that Michael is constantly receiving each year at RRS. He is thriving and continues to grow into a very responsible and joyful person from the care and education he receives at RRS. Without Running River School having its current location lease renewed, my son and his tribe of other long term Running River School students would be at a complete loss. There is no other Waldorf inspired school in West Sedona and it's my highest priority to see that my son gets to continue to have the blessing of RRS as his school in west Sedona thru his 8th grade year. Please allow our beloved RRS to stay at the current location. In doing so you are supporting the next generation of students to continue to blossom and be in touch with their highest potential. Thank you

3. Your contact information

Name: Devani Paige
Mailing Address: 70 Pinon Jay Way Sedona AZ 86336
E-mail: Enchantedlotus@gmail.com

4.

Would you like to receive notices about this project, such as public meeting dates?

(o) Yes

Comment on Development Proposal

donotreply@sedonaaz.gov <donotreply@sedonaaz.gov>

Mon 6/5/2023 2:00 PM

To: Cari Meyer <CMeyer@sedonaaz.gov>; Christopher Norlock <CNorlock@sedonaaz.gov>; Elizabeth Glowacki <EGlowacki@sedonaaz.gov>

A new entry to a form/survey has been submitted.

Form Name: Comments on Development Proposals
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Submitter ID: 5560
IP address: 2607:fb91:8ea5:418c:d2:8006:c6a3:2f36
Time to complete: 2 min. , 41 sec.

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1. Project Name:

Running river permit

2.

What are your comments, concerns, ideas, and suggestions about this project?

As a single mother in the Community who works at the public library, I want to express my support for the school to continue to be able to use the church until the new building is ready. This school has become the heart of our life here and means so much to my two children and I. Thank you for your time.

3. Your contact information

Name: Daphna Romanoff
Mailing Address: 145 Navajo drive apt D5 sedona AZ 86336
E-mail: Daphna@nyu.edu

4.

Would you like to receive notices about this project, such as public meeting dates?

(o) Yes

Thank you,
City of Sedona

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Mon 6/5/2023 2:05 PM

To: Cari Meyer <CMeyer@sedonaaz.gov>; Christopher Norlock <CNorlock@sedonaaz.gov>; Elizabeth Glowacki <EGlowacki@sedonaaz.gov>

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1. Project Name:

Running River School CUP Extension

2.

What are your comments, concerns, ideas, and suggestions about this project?

As a graduate of Sedona Red Rock High class of 1999 I always idealized raising my children in this beautiful sacred small town. In 2020 my husband and I moved to Sedona which for me was a homecoming after having been elsewhere since graduating high school. We moved here to be closer to my mother and for our Children to have a small private education offered by RRS. As you know, the changes in Sedona from when I was a child that attended Big Park School, to now are drastic and obvious that Sedona is becoming harder and harder for young families and schools to thrive. The impacts on real estate access, affordable housing and programs for children are struggling and the implications are significant. As an intentional parent and local business owner (Interior Design Studio) we have witnessed the unfortunate displacement of our children and an uphill battle to find resources and support for this cause. The Church has provided an amazingly hospitable resource in a time of need. The message of support and community is loud and clear and felt in the hearts of the children. This was also obvious in the initial CUP meeting when my then 9 year old daughter spoke in from of a room of strangers about her love for her school and home town. Quite the contrast to the singularly unsupportive community member who overturned the time terms. What message do we want to send our children about this town, what it stands for and what the future of humanity needs? If we are a town that crumbling and held up precariously by the few who are able to work the living wage jobs or a town that is innovative and solution oriented enough to come together to solve challenges with sophisticated solutions that allow our children to stay and grow here so they too can return one day to honor the soul of Sedona after the old pass on. Please consider the greater future when considering allowing the extension of the school trying to thrive.

3. Your contact information

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Mon 6/5/2023 2:47 PM

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1. Project Name (if applicable) or Topic:

The Wesleyan Church, at 580 Brewer Rd

2.

Please enter your comment below.

- There is too much traffic on Brewer Rd with a dangerous traffic pattern created by parents dropping off and picking up children. The blind curve and narrow shoulderless roads around the church make this a dangerous location for the school.

- The private school, Running River School ,was granted a conditional use permit (CUP) by the City of Sedona on Nov. 23rd, 2021. This CUP was granted on a temporary basis to give the school time to raise funds for another building. Their time is up and they haven't raised the funds.

-The noise level from the school is not fair to the residents around the church. They have had their previously quiet residential spaces violated. Apparently there have been repeated phone calls and complaints filed, it is our understanding that a City of Sedona Code Enforcement officer had to visit the site twice to inform the RRS that they risked being in non-compliance with their permit.

-The schools application for a further permit should be denied.

3. Your contact information

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City of Sedona

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Brewer Rd Running River School permit

2.

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I live on Brewer Rd. and am concerned for everyone's safety in the future if a non-terminating conditional use permit is granted. I do not mind the school being there temporarily, but a non-terminating permit makes it permanent.

I foresee so many issues possibly arising and those of us living in the Brewer Rd. area would have to live with any issues like more traffic, congestion, accidents ... forever. The current location is really quite dangerous due to winding curves right by the school/church.

I hope the council sees that making the permit permanent could cause a lot of grief for both residents and students. Please, if there is a desire to let the school stay in that unsafe location, at least make it only TEMPORARY.

Thank you.

3. Your contact information

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Thank you,
City of Sedona

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Running River School

2.

What are your comments, concerns, ideas, and suggestions about this project?

I am a resident in the Brewer Road area, and I have experienced how dangerous the location is at the Wesleyan Church during school hours. Many times, there are children lining the road, with no sidewalk, and this is a blind curve. Perhaps the city could add a sidewalk in front of the church, and perhaps even a crosswalk to the trailhead. I can not understand why the teachers would allow the students to stand right on the edge of the road, as it is. I've seen the teachers taking the kids to and from the trailhead, and the cars are just whipping around the blind curve. Perhaps there is a way to utilize the back parking lot as a drop off and pick up spot, instead of the front lot. That 'might' make things slightly safer for the children. As Brewer Road is becoming more and more busy with STR traffic, the danger will increase. Let's not forget that Brewer Road has one way in and one way out. There is already a strong danger of people being trapped if there is a wildland or house fire anywhere down Brewer Road. The church is located far into a residential area. Another concern that I have is whether this will open things up to other businesses in this residential area, which would make traffic worse and create more danger for the residents. Thank you.

3. Your contact information

Name: Angela Windolph
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E-mail: angela@transcribersink.com

4.

Would you like to receive notices about this project, such as public meeting dates?

(o) Yes

Conditional renewal Running River school

Nancy Michael <nanmicha@gmail.com>

Tue 6/6/2023 10:30 AM

To: Christopher Norlock <CNorlock@sedonaaz.gov>

Cc: David Michael <davemicha@gmail.com>

My husband and I gladly support renewal of school. We live off Juniper on 17 Cindy Lane very close to the school. The children and school Administrators are good neighbors. We enjoy seeing and hearing the children . It is a validation we live in a broader community and not just a Senior winter escape. What a great site for children to learn and play.

We have little concern for potential effects on property values. Community matters, let's welcome the schools continued presence.

Nancy and David Michael
15 Cindy Lane
Sedona, Arizona

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PZ23-00003(CUP) Running River School)

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The school zone at the church on Brewer is improperly marked with warning signage. There is an old sign by the City Hall annex that dates back to when that was a school (~10 years ago), and no signage at all from the south approach. The old sign is too far away from the current school location to be effective, and should be removed.

3. Your contact information

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E-mail: ed.kettler@gmail.com

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1. Project Name:

Running River School church use extension

2.

What are your comments, concerns, ideas, and suggestions about this project?

The use of the church for Running River School is a win win situation. My hope is that the extension will be granted by the city.

3. Your contact information

Name: Susan Stein
Mailing Address: 10 Walapai Dr. Sedona, AZ 86336
E-mail: sukin204@hotmail.com

4.

Would you like to receive notices about this project, such as public meeting dates?

(o) No

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Greetings Mayor, City Council Members & Community,

My name is Natalie Watson and I am married to Tory Watson for almost 14 beautiful years.

We moved to Sedona in 2021 with our family of 3 Children (Julia Grace 11, Champ Augustine 6 & Maverick Matthew Alexander 3) plus our dog named Sedona & our cat named Countess.

We relocated to Sedona due to Toxic Mold Exposure in our Texas home which lead to a near death experience for me.

However that experience, was a HUGE BLESSING for Our Family and The Sedona Community.

We are the owners of LANDIO, which stands for LAND IS OPPORTUNITY, where our Mission is to Give Land a Voice.

During this process, we help Stewards realize their Land Dreams.

We have the #1 YouTube Channel & Instagram Profile for Land, Farms and Ranches.

On May 23rd, 2023, we won 8 Telly Awards, which are like Academy Awards / Oscars for our Land Stories and the Honoring of The Land during the storytelling process.

We moved our LANDIO Headquarters from Houston, Texas to Sedona, Arizona and have team members across 5 states.

When moving to Sedona, I thoroughly researched the education options for our children.

I found Running River School, a nonprofit school founded with a vision of providing an authentic model of education inspired by Waldorf.

Waldorf education is The Whole Child Approach, serving Head, Heart & Hands.

One of my favorite Rudolf Steiner quotes is : “Receive children in reverence, educate them in love, and let them go forth in freedom.”

RRS Mission is to Awaken each Child to their Individual Gifts, Academic Confidence, a Sense of Wonder, and a Lifelong Love of Learning.

This education spoke to our heart and we enrolled our daughter and now our son.

We have seen such growth in our children, blossoming friendships and a strong community bonds.

We then felt called to join The Board of RRS and help with fundraising efforts and the updating of online presence.

I built the Fundraising platform which you can access at SupportRRS.org and we have raised \$98,120.

I also designed the new school logo and am assisting during the rebranding process.

Next on the list is working with The Board and another wonderful family to build a new website for the school.

Please see our newest fundraising flyer which showcases our remaining need and Who We Are.

One of the commenters opposing the CUP stated that we have not yet completely raised the funds for the renovation of the building that we purchased on 105 Navajo Drive and that person is correct.

If we had all the funds needed to finish the renovation, we wouldn't even be having this conversation right now.

We have however started the renovation process with the funds we have raised thus far.

The Families of the children that attend Running River School have made tremendous financial contributions to enrich their children.

With this type of nourishing education, we are raising future leaders of this community, our state, our country, and our planet.

In January of this year, our beloved German Shepherd, named Sedona went missing, and what we experienced was a inspirational journey of collaborative community effort and unconditional love to reunite Sedona with our family at all costs.

After 31 days of relentless searching, we were successful, but only because of the support and effort of this community.

Our Family & Sedona Rescue Team were even recognized by Mayor Scott Jablow and City Council Members for our Search and Rescue efforts.

And I ask everyone that's here tonight and listening to this online, are approximately 40 families and 60 children not as important as one lost dog?

We hear much talk about there being a lack of families with children in Sedona.

But there are RRS families that move to this area specifically to have their children attend Running River School and have their children be a part of the Running River family.

Have you ever done business with Sedona Waterworks?

Have you ever visited True West Hats in Uptown?

Have you ever dined at Creekside, Mesa Grill at the Airport, Rascal at the Wilde Resort & Rene Tlaquepaque?

Have you had an appointment with Verde Valley Naturopathic Medicine, Sedona Naturopathic or Macy's Optical Boutique?

Have you heard of Rancho Almasomos which is the development of a Biodynamic Farm?

What about Luxury interior designer Jessica Moreau of Moreau Design? Or Jon Kercher, Owner of Landscape Magic?

Or have you joined a class at Radical Rebounding?

Those of are some of examples of Running River School families and their children are a part of the Sedona community.

We are inviting the Sedona community, to be a part of the Running River School family, by supporting us in granting this conditional use permit while we complete the renovation of our new permanent location on Navajo.

Also, by donating whatever you can to SupportRRS.org, we can reach our destination faster and thus attract more families to Sedona.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You from The Bottom of Our Hears & God Bless You All!

3. Your contact information

Name: Natalie Watson
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4. Would you like to receive notices about this project, such as public meeting dates?

(o) Yes

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