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Fwd: Auburn Angara Oaks

1 message

THERESA POUNDERS <thepounders@comcast.net>
To: "planning@rochesterhills.org" <planning@rochesterhills.org>

Fri, Oct 3, 2025 at 7:10 AM

Hi Jennifer,

This is the email I sent that didn't get added to the public comments.

Thanks,
Theresa Pounders

----- Original Message -----

From: THERESA POUNDERS <thepounders@comcast.net>
To: "planning@rochesterhills.org" <planning@rochesterhills.org>
Date: 09/30/2025 4:32 PM EDT
Subject: Auburn Angara Oaks

I am writing to express my concerns and opposition the above referenced development project. This land contains an enormous amount of water and constantly floods. There is a reason this property has sat undeveloped for nearly two decades. It not only contains wetlands but also areas that have a high-water table. Add to that, the removal of nearly 300 trees that also store water, I have very little doubt that the neighbors or the people downstream from this development will have issues with flooding. Some already do. The water has to go somewhere. To state that Egle has the final say really doesn't mean much. From what I've read, they give approval to 95 percent of the wetland permits.

To pull in and out of this development is a downright danger! Just because M-dot gives its approval doesn't really mean much either. We've seen many things approved by M-dot that probably shouldn't have been.

I have major issues with a wetland report that has been altered. Our friends in the IDD community deserve to know exactly what developing this property will entail. I have already spoken to the planning department about this. I was told that Egle was the only one that could legally change their report but when I spoke with Egle, they said they didn't change it. The report from Egle also included many pictures of the water on the property.

I'm also concerned that because the sanitary sewer lines cannot be connected off Auburn Road, they will travel to the back of the property hundreds of feet through the wetland where it will elbow out to Devondale Road.

There is also the issue of multiple unmaintained septic tanks and drain fields on the property. You can smell raw sewage when the property is really flooded.

I'm hoping you will do what's right for our community as well as the IDD community. We need out wetlands, and we need our trees!

I'm attaching photos of the site that were taken this summer.

Thanks,
Theresa Pounders



Auburn Angara Oaks - Google Photos (2).html

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Auburn Angara Oaks

1 message

Sharmilla Saravana <sharmillasaravana@yahoo.com>
To: "planning@rochesterhills.org" <planning@rochesterhills.org>

Wed, Oct 1, 2025 at 5:49 PM

Dear Rochester Hills Planning Commission,

I am writing to share my strong support for the final site plan of Auburn Angara Oaks—a visionary neuro-inclusive neighborhood that reflects the very best of what Rochester Hills can be.

Auburn Angara Oaks is more than housing. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, it means the chance to live with dignity, independence, and true belonging. For their families, it offers peace of mind—knowing their loved ones are part of a safe, supportive, and welcoming community. For our city, it represents an innovative model of inclusive living that will strengthen Rochester Hills for generations.

Backed by Rochester Housing Solutions, the Oakland County Housing Trust Fund, and local partners, Auburn Angara Oaks builds on the momentum of Walton Oaks and demonstrates how our community can lead the way nationally in creating sustainable, integrated neighborhoods where all residents thrive together.

I urge the Planning Commission to approve the final site plan for Auburn Angara Oaks and help bring this bold vision to life.

Sincerely,

Sharmilla Saravana
734 620 3433



Planning Dept Email <planning@rochesterhills.org>

Auburn Angara Oaks

1 message

Mohana Theva <mohanatheva@gmail.com>
To: planning@rochesterhills.org

Thu, Oct 2, 2025 at 2:03 PM

Dear Rochester Hills Planning Commission,

I am writing to share my **strong** support for the final site plan of Auburn Angara Oaks—a visionary neuro-inclusive neighborhood that reflects the very best of what Rochester Hills can be.

Auburn Angara Oaks is more than a place to live.

For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, it offers the opportunity to experience dignity, independence, and genuine belonging.

For their families, such as mine, it offers peace of mind—knowing their loved ones are part of a safe, supportive, and welcoming community. **My mother and I, with no extended familial support, are the co-guardians of my adult brother. For us, a safe, trusted place means the world in the strong community that we know best.**

For our city, it represents an innovative model of inclusive living that will strengthen Rochester Hills for generations.

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I urge the Planning Commission to approve the final site plan for Auburn Angara Oaks and help bring this vision to life.

Sincerely,
Mohana Thevakanthan



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Planning Dept Email <planning@rochesterhills.org>

Site planning approval of Auburn Angara Oaks

John & Leslie Bargiel <jnlbargiel79@aol.com>

Wed, Oct 1, 2025 at 3:50 PM

To: "planning@rochesterhills.org" <planning@rochesterhills.org>

Dear Rochester Hills Planning Commission,

We are writing to urge you to support the development of the neuro-inclusive Auburn Angara Oaks neighborhood.

We love the Rochester Hills community. Our son, Joe, works part time in Rochester and participates in art classes at Paint A Miracle. Our family loves to walk, shop and eat downtown and take advantage of the great biking and hiking trails throughout. For many years, we have purchased a pass to Spencer Park and Joe loves to swim, row a boat or just walk around the lake there. He also asks to go to Meijer, Target and Aldi on Rochester Rd. to get his favorites, Neapolitan Ice Cream sandwiches and salad fixings. It is a dream come true that he will be able to live and make his home in a welcoming neighborhood in the community he already participates in and enjoys daily.

By approving the site plan for Auburn Angara Oaks, you are leading the nation in offering innovative housing solutions to all the citizens in your community. Thank you.

Sincerely,

John, Leslie and Joe Bargiel



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I strongly support the approval of the final site plan of Auburn Angara Oaks

1 message

Cheng G Khoo <cheng@ewaves.tech>
To: planning@rochesterhills.org

Thu, Oct 2, 2025 at 12:59 AM

Dear Rochester Hills Planning Commission,

I am writing to express my strong support for the final site plan of Auburn Angara Oaks. This visionary, neuro-inclusive neighborhood embodies the very best of what Rochester Hills can be.

Auburn Angara Oaks is more than housing. For my son, Weirton Murray-Khoo, a 24-year-old who is autistic, it means the chance to live with dignity, independence, and true belonging. For my family and other families, it offers peace of mind—knowing the loved ones are part of a safe, supportive, and welcoming community. For our city, it represents an innovative model of inclusive living that will strengthen Rochester Hills for generations to come.

Backed by Rochester Housing Solutions, the Oakland County Housing Trust Fund, and local partners, Auburn Angara Oaks builds on the momentum of Walton Oaks, demonstrating how our community can lead the way nationally in creating sustainable, integrated neighborhoods where all residents thrive together.

I urge the Planning Commission to approve the final site plan for Auburn Angara Oaks, helping to bring this bold vision to life.

Sincerely,
Cheng G Khoo

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Planning Dept Email <planning@rochesterhills.org>

Auburn Angara Oaks

1 message

Joan Norman <joan.norman@sbcglobal.net>

Thu, Oct 2, 2025 at 1:50 AM

To: "Planning@rochesterhills.org" <Planning@rochesterhills.org>

Dear Rochester Hills Planning Commission,

I am writing to share my strong support for the final site plan of Auburn Angara Oaks - a visionary neuro-inclusive neighborhood that reflects the very best of what Rochester Hills can be.

Auburn Angara Oaks is more than housing. For adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, it means the chance to live with dignity, independence and true belonging. For families like mine, it offers peace of mind - knowing my son, Josh, is part of a safe, supportive and welcoming community. For the city, it represents an innovative model of inclusive living that will strengthen Rochester Hills for generations.

Backed by Rochester Housing Solutions, the Oakland County Housing Trust Fund and local partners, Auburn Angara Oaks builds on the momentum of Walton Oaks and demonstrates how the community can lead the way nationally in creating sustainable, integrated neighborhoods where all residents strive together. My husband and I are focusing on how we can navigate moving from Clarkston to Rochester Hills to stay close to Josh and also become part of this supportive community.

I urge the Planning Commission to approve the final site plan for Auburn Angara Oaks and help bring this bold vision to life.

Sincerely,

Bill, Joan and Josh Norman
248-425-6305



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Auburn Angara Oaks

1 message

Debra Coviak <debracoviak@icloud.com>
To: planning@rochesterhills.org

Thu, Oct 2, 2025 at 6:42 PM

Dear Rochester Hills Planning Commission,

I am writing to share my support for the final site plan for Auburn Angara Oaks. This is where I hope my son will live one day. This project offers a unique solution to home ownership for individuals with disabilities, while at the same time providing all residents an opportunity to live in an integrated neighborhood.

The devoted and hard working parents involved in this project wish to create a great neighborhood experience for all residents who live there. We are committed to community and inclusion. Our goal is to provide a safe and inclusive housing experience for our loved ones with disabilities long after we are gone. This housing development offers that piece of mind. For the city of Rochester, this development will serve as a model for other cities as they seek creative housing solutions for their residents.

I respectfully urge you to approve this final site plan. Thank you for your consideration of this project.

Sincerely,

Deb Coviak



Planning Dept Email <planning@rochesterhills.org>

Auburn Angara Oaks final site plan

1 message

Luise I <launni@gmail.com>

Thu, Oct 2, 2025 at 10:46 PM

To: "planning@rochesterhills.org" <planning@rochesterhills.org>

Dear Rochester Hills Planning Commission.

I am the 72 year old mother of a 29 year old son with so-called intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). My nearest family member is moving to New Buffalo, Michigan. My husband passed away 3 years ago. Before I join him, I would like to ensure that my son has a safe and enriching place to enjoy life with his friends and companions, many of whom are already part of the Rochester Housing Solutions family.

If I understand correctly, it took almost 3 years to obtain permits and then break ground for Walton Oaks, phase 1 of this development. My son and I joined RHS in November of 2021 with the promise of a secure home he could own in Auburn Oaks, the second phase of the development. That was almost 4 years ago. There are many families like me and my son committed to this project and anxiously await its completion.

I urge the Planning Commission to approve the final site plan for Auburn Angara Oaks.

Sincerely,
Luise Illuminati



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Auburn Angara Oaks

1 message

Matt Werner <motorcty2@sbcglobal.net>

Thu, Oct 2, 2025 at 7:56 PM

To: "planning@rochesterhills.org" <planning@rochesterhills.org>

Dear Rochester Hills Planning Commission,

We are writing to share our strong support for the final site plan of Auburn Angara Oaks—a visionary neuro-inclusive neighborhood that reflects the very best of what Rochester Hills can be.

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As long time Rochester Hills residents we have been searching for a housing solution for our daughter with Down Syndrome for a number of years. Currently the options in Rochester are very limited. Our daughter has a job in Rochester Hills and engages in many social activities through RARA. She also uses the OPC bus for transportation. Auburn Angara Oaks provides the opportunity for our daughter to live independently with support close to her current activities, family and friends.

I urge the Planning Commission to approve the final site plan for Auburn Angara Oaks and help bring this bold vision to life.

Sincerely,
Matt and Janice Werner

Raymond T. Rowe Deborah Rowe

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September 30, 2025

Rochester Hills Planning Commission
1000 Rochester Hills Drive
Rochester Hills, MI 48309

Dear Rochester Hills Planning Commission:

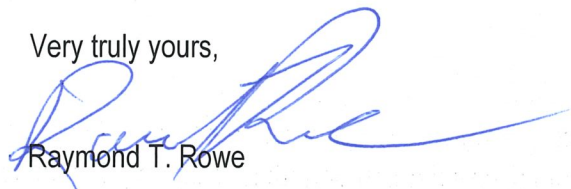
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We urge the Planning Commission to approve the final site plan for Auburn Angara Oaks and help bring this bold vision to life.

Very truly yours,



Raymond T. Rowe

Deborah Rowe



10/3/2025

Rochester Planning Commission
1000 Rochester Hills Drive
Rochester Hills, MI 48309

Re: Support for Inclusive Housing Opportunities

Dear Commissioners,

The Arc of Oakland County is a nonprofit organization dedicated to advocating for and supporting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) and their families. We understand that the Auburn Oaks site plan is scheduled for final approval and, in that context, we are writing to express our support for the creation of additional housing units for people with IDD within the Rochester Hills community.

For decades, our mission has centered on ensuring that people with IDD have the same opportunities as anyone else to live, work, and fully participate in their communities. One of our core values is inclusion and choice. We believe that individuals should have the ability to choose where they live—whether that is in the communities where they grew up, where they work, or where they engage in everyday life. Access to safe, affordable, and community-based housing is essential to making that choice a reality.

We appreciate and support efforts in Rochester Hills to expand housing opportunities that foster community inclusion and accessibility. Projects that increase the availability of housing options create meaningful opportunities for people with disabilities to live integrated lives alongside their neighbors.

As an organization, we strongly support the principles of choice, inclusion, and community belonging, and we welcome any efforts that further these values. We encourage the City to continue prioritizing housing initiatives that allow individuals of all abilities to live where they want to live, close to the networks of family, employment, and social life that matter most to them.

Thank you for your leadership and for considering the importance of inclusive housing options in your planning decisions.

Sincerely,



Dawn H. Calnen
Executive Director
The Arc of Oakland County

Achieve with us.