

ILLINOIS HEALTH FACILITIES & SERVICES

REVIEW BOARD

HEARING ON

SEPTEMBER 17, 2024

NORTHWESETERN MEDICINE

HUNTLEY MEDICAL OFFICE BUILDING

10400 Haligus Road

Huntley, Illinois

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HELD AT

Huntley Area Public Libray

11000 Ruth Road

Huntley, Illinios 60142

HEARING HELD BEFORE:

Mr. George Roate

Mr. Michael Constantino

PRESENT:

Ms. Bridget Orth - Northwestern Medicine

Members of the Public

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1 MR. ROATE: Good afternoon. My name is George
2 Roate. I am accompanied by Mr. Mike Constantino,
3 Board senior reviewer. We are from the Illinois
4 Department of Public Health and represent the
5 Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review Board.

6 We are here to conduct a public hearing
7 on the proposed project known as Project
8 No. 24-027, Northwestern Medicine Huntley Medical
9 Office Building, Huntley.

10 As per the rules of the Illinois Health
11 Facilities & Services Review Board, I would like to
12 read the legal notice into the record.

13 In accordance with the requirements of
14 the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act, notice
15 is given of receipt of a request for a public
16 hearing for Project 24-027 Northwestern Medicine
17 Medical Office Building Huntley, to establish a
18 medical office building on the campus of
19 Northwestern Medicine Huntley Hospital, 10400
20 Haligus Road, Huntley, Illinois.

21 The project cost is \$96,300,000.

22 A public hearing will be conducted by
23 the staff of the Illinois Health Facilities &
24 Services Review Board on Tuesday, September 17,

1 2024, beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the Huntley Area
2 Public Library, 11000 Ruth Road, Huntley, Illinois.

3 The public hearing is to be held by the
4 Illinois Department of Public Health pursuant to
5 the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act.

6 The hearing is open to the public and
7 will afford an opportunity for parties with
8 interest to present written and/or verbal comment
9 relevant to the project.

10 All allegations or assertions should be
11 relevant to the need for the proposed project and
12 be supported by two copies of documentation or
13 materials that are printed on typed paper, sized
14 8 1/2 by 11 inches.

15 Consideration by the State Board has
16 been tentatively scheduled for the October 29,
17 2024, Illinois Health Facilities & Services Review
18 Board Meeting.

19 If you have not done so, please sign in
20 using the appropriate registration form. One form
21 is for individuals who wish to provide testimony;
22 the other is for individuals who wish to just
23 register their attendance and do not wish to
24 testify.

1 To ensure that the Illinois Health
2 Facilities & Services Review Board's public
3 hearings protect the privacy and maintain the
4 confidentiality of an individual's health
5 information, covered entities, as defined by the
6 Health Insurance Affordability Act of 1996, such as
7 facilities, hospital providers, healthcare clearing
8 houses submitting oral or written testimony that
9 discloses protected health information of
10 individuals shall have a valid written
11 authorization from that individual. The
12 authorization shall allow the covered entity to
13 share the individual's protected health information
14 at this hearing.

15 Those of you who came with prepared text
16 for your presentation may choose to submit the text
17 without giving testimony. As per the legal notice,
18 I would appreciate two copies of your testimony.

19 When you make your presentation, please
20 give the court reporter the correct spelling of
21 your complete name.

22 We do have a chief spokesperson for the
23 applicant and she will make the first presentation.

24 Any remaining testimony will be taken in

1 order of the names on the registers.

2 Please hold all questions until all
3 testimony is presented.

4 MS. ORTH: Good afternoon. I am Bridget Orth,
5 B-r-i-d-g-e-t, last name, O-r-t-h, Director of
6 Regulatory Planning for Northwestern Medicine.

7 At Northwestern Medicine we are
8 committed to delivering better medical care to make
9 a positive difference in people's lives and
10 communities.

11 With 11 hospitals and more than 200
12 locations across Chicagoland, our team of more than
13 33,000 staff members, physicians, and medical
14 students believes in our mission to put patients
15 first in everything we do.

16 Northwestern Medicine serves a broad
17 range of communities and has a long history of
18 expanding access to health care.

19 Over the past several years, we have
20 invested in several outpatient sites close to where
21 patients live and work to ensure convenient access
22 to world class care, including in Gurnee, the old
23 Irving Park neighborhood in Chicago, and the
24 Bronzeville neighborhood in Chicago.

1 These advanced outpatient care centers
2 deliver high quality preventive and routine care,
3 most needed by the community, while removing
4 barriers to such care as transportation.

5 The proposed Huntley Medical Office
6 Building project will increase access to
7 Northwestern Medicine's cardiology and oncology
8 services, which have an anticipated positive impact
9 on the top two leading causes of death in McHenry
10 County, heart disease and cancer.

11 Additionally, approximately
12 300 health care related jobs will be created by
13 this project.

14 Northwestern Medicine is honored to care
15 for patients from many Chicagoland communities.
16 And we are excited to be part of improving the
17 health and well being of residents of McHenry
18 County and surrounding areas.

19 We are committed to addressing priority
20 health concerns and improving health equity and
21 supporting youth education.

22 We look forward to our review by the
23 Health Facilities & Services Review Board on
24 October 29th.

1 Thank you.

2 MR. ROATE: Bridget, thank you for speaking.

3 Would anybody else be interested in
4 speaking at this time?

5 (No response.)

6 MR. ROATE: Otherwise what we will do is we
7 will wait briefly if we have any late visitors.
8 Otherwise what I will do is, it's 1:06, if you
9 don't mind, about 1:10 if we don't get anybody, I
10 will go ahead and deliver closing comments. Okay.

11 (A recess was had.)

12 MR. ROATE: Is there anyone who wishes to
13 testify who has not had an opportunity?

14 (No response.)

15 MR. ROATE: Seeing none, is there anyone who
16 has testified who wishes to provide additional
17 testimony?

18 MS. ORTH: No thank you.

19 MR. ROATE: I would remind everyone to submit
20 your written comments to us so that we have this
21 information for the record.

22 Also, this project is scheduled for
23 consideration by the Illinois Health Facility &
24 Services Review Board at its October 29, 2024

1 meeting.

2 This meeting will be held at the
3 Bolingbrook Golf Club, 2001 Rodeo Drive,
4 Bolingbrook, Illinois.

5 The public has until October 9, 2024 to
6 submit written comments. These comments can be
7 sent to my attention at the Illinois Health
8 Facilities & Services Review Board, care of the
9 Illinois Department of Public Health, 525 West
10 Jefferson Street, Second Floor, Springfield,
11 Illinois 62761.

12 If you prefer, you may email your
13 comments. Our email address is
14 dph.hfsrb@illinois.gov.

15 Are there any questions?

16 (No response.)

17 MR. ROATE: Seeing that there are no
18 additional questions or comments, I deem this
19 public hearing adjourned. Thank you.

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21 HEARING ADJOURNED

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5 I, PEGGY CURRAN, a notary public and
6 certified shorthand reporter within and for the
7 County of DuPage and State of Illinois, do hereby
8 certify that I stenographically recorded the
9 proceedings had in the aforementioned matter; that
10 the foregoing was reduced to typewriting via
11 computer-aided transcription under my personal
12 direction and supervision; and that the foregoing
13 is a true and accurate transcript of the
14 proceedings had.

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Peggy Curran

Peggy Curran, CSR, RPR, CRR
DuPage County, Notary Public
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