

**Subject:** AAPS request for use of Thurston Nature Center

---

**From:** Cynthia Ransley  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 4, 2025 10:31 AM  
**To:** Planning <Planning@a2gov.org>  
**Subject:** AAPS request for use of Thurston Nature Center

Dear Members of the Planning Commission,

I'm  
writing today as an Ann Arbor City resident of the Bromley neighborhood near Thurston Elementary and the  
Thurston Nature Center  
*to urge you  
to deny the requests being made on behalf of the Ann Arbor Public Schools to build a road over an ecologically  
sensitive piece of the TNC that is owned by the city.*

Our  
neighborhood is deeply concerned about the construction plans AAPS has approved for the new Thurston. We  
are asking for a reasonable response from the City to the proposed destruction of protected ecological land.

**TNC  
is the heart of our neighborhood.**

Many of us volunteer our time maintaining the trails, burning off the prairie, and of course enjoying and  
connecting with nature.

The  
City has an obligation to help protect and maintain this land wherever possible.

Please  
deny this destructive and thoughtless request by AAPS. Please encourage them to rethink their plans and use  
their own land, rather than that owned by the City for its residents, to build roads and demolish nature.

Yours  
Sincerely,

Cynthia  
Ransley

2790  
Briarcliff Street  
Ann  
Arbor, MI 48105