DOCUMENT · PUBLISHED WITH LA GRANGE TODAY'S REPORT ON THE NOV. 17 RULING

Statement of Five South Six LLC

The developer's written response to La Grange Today's questions about Judge D. Renee Jackson's Nov. 17, 2026 order in Robinson v. Village of La Grange and Five South Six, LLC, Cook County Circuit Court case 2026 CH 03348. Sent by email by Dan Spain of Five South Six LLC on Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2026, at 2:09 p.m., and expanded by Mr. Spain with four additional paragraphs in a second email at 5:59 p.m. the same day. The full statement is published below as received in the 5:59 p.m. email, omitting only the salutation and closing correspondence unrelated to the statement. Emphasis is Mr. Spain's.

We respect the judicial process, but we are extremely disappointed with this latest ruling. On October 2, the court dismissed every claim against Five South Six, LLC, and we proceeded with demolition based on our understanding of that ruling and the permits issued by the Village of La Grange.

The existing building is now partially demolished, leaving significant portions of the structure exposed and creating serious safety concerns for neighboring properties, workers, and the public. We are working with our legal counsel and the appropriate authorities to address these concerns and determine the quickest lawful path forward.

I also think it's important to clarify some misconceptions surrounding this development and the approval process.

The project underwent more than 18 months of public review, including two public Planning Commission meetings and two public meetings before the Village Board. Following that extensive process, the Village Board unanimously approved this **39-unit planned unit development (PUD).**

A planned unit development is governed by its approved development plan, which may establish setbacks different from those required under conventional residential zoning. The setbacks approved for this project were part of the Village's review and approval process.

The new building provides **18 feet of side-yard separation along the vast majority of the site. Right now the building sits on Robinson's lot line.**

The Burlington will bring 39 new residences to downtown La Grange at a time when our community faces a significant shortage of housing options. This project will provide opportunities for longtime residents, particularly those looking to downsize, to remain in the community they love rather than having to move elsewhere.

Beyond creating much-needed housing, the development includes a significant investment in stormwater management. Our underground detention system is designed to hold approximately 112,000 gallons of stormwater, **exceeding the Village's required detention capacity by more than 40%.** We voluntarily went well beyond what was required to help manage stormwater runoff and improve drainage infrastructure.

We believe this project represents a meaningful long-term investment in La Grange, providing much-needed housing, improving infrastructure, strengthening the local tax base, and contributing to the continued vitality of our downtown.”

We remain committed to moving forward with this development and believe it will be a positive long-term addition to downtown La Grange.