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**Subject:** planned UMCU at 2929 Plymouth Road

Hello PLanning commission and Ward 2 city council reps

I'm writing to you to ask that you deny the Special Exception Use that UMCU is asking for the planned drive-through at 2929 Plymouth road.

I live at 2435 Prairie, up the road from the planned drive-through, and my family walks this area all the time, whether to get exercise, to go to and from school, work, the pool, you name it. This intersection is a highly-trafficked bike and pedestrian corridor, and adding another curb cut on Plymouth, along with increasing cut-through traffic onto Prairie, is detrimental with non-motorized safety.

It also stings that UMCU is using this drive-through location to replace their current location at the mall down the road, which is conveniently walkable for neighborhood residents and North Campus students alike. We can't control UMCU's plans, to force them to consider walkability and climate implications in their designs, but we can tell them the drive-through SEU will not be approved.

The planned 3-lane drive-through, exiting into a neighborhood residential street, is inconsistent with our future plans for the area, inconsistent with our city's A2zero goals of attaining sustainable transportation and decreasing car vehicle miles, and inconsistent with our city's Vision Zero and Safe Routes to School goals of increased road safety.

A drive-through anywhere in the city should be closely examined to see if it benefits the city. It certainly does not in this location. Please deny this SEU.

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Ward 2