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To: Planning

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Subject: Circle K Gas Station Changes

Hello Ann Arbor Planning Commission,

I am a long time Ann Arbor resident and live within a block of the Circle K gas station. I understand there are plans to redevelop the business and would like you to know my concerns. First of all I am pleased the owner intends to upgrade the gas station and I look forward to all the improvement that will be made. However, I am concerned that there will be several changes that may not be in the best interest of the neighborhood.

One change that may need to be revised is additional overhead lighting that will be left on continuously. We do not need any more light intensity on that corner! The amount of lighting is OK as it is now, and should be sufficient for the revised gas station. Please do not approve an increase in lighting or "on" time as the gas station is very visible as it is now.

The new plan includes a large and tall canopy over the pumps. The idea to cover the pumps is good for the customers and will surely be appreciated, but we really don't need a huge structure that is better suited for a truck stop than a residential neighborhood. Please take another look at the size and see what can be done to reduce it so it fits in.

I am also worried about walking safely on the Packard sidewalk near the Circle K gas station as the new plan will have a single entrance/exit on Packard. This will absolutely cause more traffic bottlenecks and risk taking by vehicles going in and out, and make it much riskier to walk. As you know there is a Dairy Queen right across the street that caters to many kids, and kids are kids! This is a safety issue in my opinion and should be changed!

I understand the company is in the business of making money, and hope we can all agree to downsize the new development to more suitably fit into our great neighborhood and not turn this corner into a safety and environmental problem.

Thank you and regards,

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