From: Jennifer LaRose <<u>ilarose87@gmail.com</u>> Sent: Sunday, April 16, 2023 9:19 AM To: Planning <<u>Planning@a2gov.org</u>> Subject: UMCU proposal

Dear Planning Commission,

I was relieved to hear that you voted No on the UMCU building. Thank you for considering the concerns and needs of the surrounding community. Our little side of town has plentiful banks and credit unions, but very limited retail and dining businesses. I would love for that space to be utilized in a way that better serves the spirit and improvement of the North Side.

Removing drive through lanes is nice, but still doesn't solve the problem of the wastefulness of a single-use building in such a valuable space, so close to the neighborhood school and community pool. What can UMCU offer to make their building more community-serving, and not just another financial institution? Could they rent out some of it for retail or restaurant space? Just an idea.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Jennifer