From: Lindsey McDivitt Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2017 5:24 PM To: Planning <<u>Planning@a2gov.org</u>> Subject: RE. Circle K rebuild

March 2, 2017

Dear Ann Arbor Planning Commission members,

I live at 1419 Iroquois Place which directly borders on the Circle K gas station property at East Stadium and Packard. I've been involved in advocating for a neighborhood-friendly site plan for their planned rebuild since their first public meeting. Pedestrian and bicyclist safety has been a huge concern, noise, air pollution---and also the significant increase in harsh white LED lighting from a new lighted pump canopy.

I'd like to state my clear opposition to the by-right site plan presented to the Planning Commission last fall that that puts the new building on the northeast corner of the property with its back facing onto Packard---and much of the light, activity and traffic directly in our backyards.

While I strongly regret the necessity for providing Circle K a zoning variance---the "alternative plan" recently presented to the neighbors by Circle K and Quatro on 2/22 (with Brett Lenart in attendance) is VASTLY PREFERABLE. I'd like to register my support for the alternative site plan.

This alternative site plan does contain some features mitigating the problems that will be created by vastly more light, traffic and noise—such as promised 8 foot tall walls (not fences) and evergreen trees.

But I ask your assistance in obtaining additional mitigation measures. For example, extending the walls to 10 feet tall, particularly at the SW end of the Circle K property where neighbors (such as us at 1419 Iroquois are at an elevation 2 feet LOWER than the Circle K). As the walls will be installed at the lower elevation, they will actually function as only a 6 ft tall buffer.

Also, we would greatly appreciate assurance that there will be no ads or music or any noise from speakers at the pumps or any exterior space at the Circle K.

Thank you very much for your service to the city of Ann Arbor, and for your attention to our concerns.

Sincerely yours,

Lindsey McDivitt

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