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Hello,

I am a life long resident of the Elvehjem Neighborhood, and I am opposed to the construction of a "big box" grocery store at Grandview commons. The original plans (to my understanding) were for a small grocery store or market, and I do not have any problems with that. I feel that a large store would dramatically alter traffic patterns in the area in a negative manner. We were fortunate enough to have the Cottage Grove Rd. bridge over the interstate recently redone, but the single lane traffic both directions would be stretched to their limit and probably then some with a significant increase in traffic. I would also think that a stoplight would be required just east of the Interstate which I personally think would be a detriment to the area.

If a person feels the need to shop at a big box grocer there is no shortage in the area. Copps on Broadway, Woodmans, and Cub Foods are all within 10 minutes of this location. Sentry on Cottage Grove and Piggly Wiggly in Cottage grove are even closer, albeit smaller. As I stated before, I do not oppose the construction of a smaller grocery store or market in the area that in my opinion will serve the daily "needs" of a neighborhood grocer.

I encourage you to oppose any changes that would allow the construction of a "big box" grocery store at the Grandview Commons site.

Thank you for your time.

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