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To: ALL ALDERS; Waidelich, Michael; Murphy, Brad; Cover, Steven
Cc: Soglin, Paul; Mayor
Subject: Opposition to proposed grocery store on Cottage Grove Road

Dear Alderpersons and City Planners:

We saved for many years to buy our dream home. We recently moved to a house on Sharpsburg Drive. Our dream did not include having loading docks of a large grocery store directly behind our house.

We are opposed to the zoning change to allow a Copps grocery store to build for the following reasons:

1. Decreased property values for us and our neighbors
2. Increased traffic -more traffic is dangerous for our young sons and their friends.
3. Increased noise -truck deliveries, snow plowing, air conditioning units for the store
4. Increased light pollution -our bedrooms would face the store.
5. Even though the store would be very close to my home, I would still have to drive there because I couldn't carry my groceries home. I'm sure this would be similar for my most of my neighbors with families with young children. The developer's idea that the building of a large grocery store would created a walkable shopping center is laughable.
6. There are many shopping options within a few miles of our home already including Sentry, Woodman's, Copps in Monona, HyVee, Piggly Wiggly in Cottage Grove and also a new, larger Woodman's in Sun Prairie.

Thank you for considering our concerns. Please vote against the proposed zoning changes.

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