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**Subject:** Grandview Commons Future

My name is Troy Nye and I have been a neighbor in the Grandview Commons neighborhood for about 8 years. I have been a member of the McClellan Park Neighborhood Association since moving in.

When I purchased my house from Veridian homes it was made very clear that the area near the Doric Lodge was intended to be retail space. When I purchased my house I signed a document saying that was what it was going to be, and that is what I expect it to be. I am in favor of changing the mapping of the town center sites East of North Star Dr. from Neighborhood Mixed Use/Medium Density Residential to Community Mixed Use and remapping the former Doric Lodge site from Low Density Residential to Community Mixed Use.

The chance of a Copps grocery store coming to my neighborhood is an exciting one, I do not enjoy having to drive to Woodmans for groceries or to Sentry where I find their meat and produce is sub-par. I realize that this store will be larger than the one originally proposed but find this necessary in order to meet the needs of the people that will shop there. There is just no point of putting in a smaller grocery store that will fall into the same situation that Sentry is in.

I find this also necessary to create an anchor that will bring other sustainable retail to the area. Without it I fear retail stores will end up like Latte Da coffee shop in Grandview Commons. You could also look to the empty and constantly changing stores on Cottage Grove Rd near Sentry and also the small, empty stores on Monona Drive for the pattern that the small retail theory without an anchor fails more consistently than it succeeds.

Please mark me down as FOR the grocery store. I know there is much propaganda being distributed by the opposition but I know the facts and will not be bullied into their close minded way of thinking.

I think with proper communication and open minded thinking we can make this a good thing for all involved.

Sincerely,

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