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RE: CTC Retail Center

Letter Emailed to ozah@montgomerycountymd.gov

Ms. Sokoni.

I am a long-standing resident of the Clarksburg Town Center, since 2005. We moved here when my kids were 3 years old and 1 year old. My oldest was in the first kindergarten class when Little Bennett Elementary School opened. They both attended Little Bennett, Rocky Hill Middle School, and Clarksburg High School. My youngest is now in his Senior year at University of Maryland, graduating in May.

I served as the Pool and Recreation Chair in the Clarksburg Town Center for five years, I founded the Clarksburg Town Center Tiger Sharks Swim Team, and I am now serving my second three-year term as the Vice President of the Clarksburg Town Center HOA Board. While my children attended Clarksburg High School, I was the Vice President of the Boosters Club for two years and was the team mom of the Swim Team, Baseball Team, and Football Team. Lastly, I serve as a Board Member/volunteer of the Patrick Shifflett Foundation a local non-profit organization that gives multiple college scholarships to kids from Damascus High School and Clarksburg High School each year.

I only provide this personal information in this letter to demonstrate that I am a contributing member of my community. I believe we all have an obligation to contribute to make the place we live a thriving community. I also believe that you cannot complain unless you are willing to put in the work to solve a problem. The problem is that the Clarksburg Town Center cannot be a real community until it is completed!

My company relocated me to Maryland from California. In the relocation process we considered Clarksburg and Urbana. As I was commuting to Rockville down the I 270, Clarksburg was more favorable because of the location and the estimated time that the community would be completed. What a horrible joke that last consideration ended up being. Urbana is a completed, thriving community and I still do not have a Town Center to enjoy, a grocery store to shop in, and any place to sit down to eat at.

My family has been robbed of raising our children in a completed community. During this whole process a small group of people, who do not represent the community at large, have held up the completion of our community, touting an outdated "Plan of Compliance document" that should be trashed. The current Developer (Elm Street) has held multiple meetings, over multiple years, to gather information from residents to help us plan a viable, completed Town Center. They have done an outstanding job at gathering information and informing the community. They even post notices all over the community ensuring that everyone knows what is going on. It is now time to move past the planning phase to the development and completion phase. I would like you to approve the conditional use applications as submitted, inclusive of the gas station. Please understand that we would like the CTC completed AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. I believe adding additional gas pumps in the Town Center would be convenient and increase competition, which is favorable.

If you have additional questions for me or need additional testimony I can be reached at deborah.h.d'attilio@em.com.

Humbly submitted,

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