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RE: Support for Conditional Use Application No. CU 202502

Dear Examiner Sokoni,

I am writing today to express my support for the Conditional Use Application referenced above. I have been a home owner and resident of Clarksburg Town Center since 2020 and have watched with pride as our neighborhood has grown into a thriving community. Everyone I regularly interact with in this community is very excited to finally have the grocery store and retail center completed, as was advertised when we bought our properties.

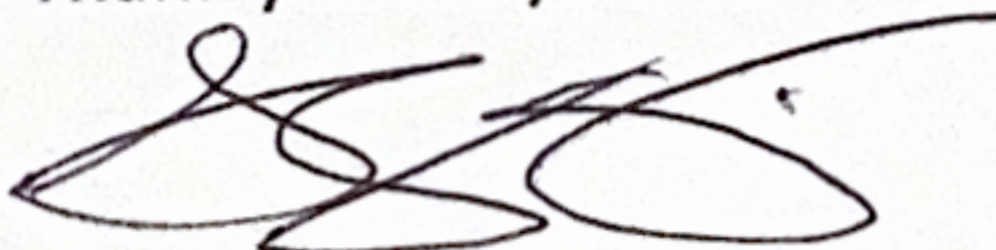
The issue of adding in gas pumps to the planned grocery store parking lot is now the final remaining hurdle to getting this project completed. The addition of these gas pumps would add value to our community, as it's convenient location would be very useful to the public at large and to our community specifically. Currently, we have 2 options for gas on our way to the highway, and this would add a valuable 3<sup>rd</sup> option.

Weis Markets has made it clear that they can only get their financial projections to work if they factor in the revenue generated by gas pumps. I tend to believe this analysis given that it has taken years to get a grocer to agree to build in this location. The market for grocery stores has been hard hit in recent years and we risk years of continued searching if this project isn't completed with the pumps.

The current open space stands as a blight on our otherwise beautiful community. Trash and waste collects there, and it is not a safe space for children. The addition of the grocery and retail space would add the final piece and anchor our community.

I hope that you'll approve this application so that Clarksburg Town Center and the greater Clarksburg community can benefit from more grocery store and gas options.

Thank you for your consideration,



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