

Paul Foley

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To: Paul Foley
Subject: FW: Stop and Shop

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From: Margie Sweeney [<mailto:michaelsweeney1@comcast.net>]
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To: Adam Turner <turner@mvcommission.org>
Subject: Stop and Shop

To whom It May Concern,

We are writing with regards to the Stop and Shop proposal. We would like to suggest that the size of this project is too big for this area. We shop at Stop and Shop at our primary residence that does not house what is being proposed here and we feel that the one is already too big and does not enhance our experience. There are local purveyors already offering what they want to add and we feel this could affect their businesses. A subterranean placement for the addition of what is deemed essential appears to be a great alternative.

We are asking the commission to reconsider the placement of the automobile entrance to the store. A prior mention from an MV Times article lead us to believe that the commission feels that allowing cars to back up onto Pinehurst Road would have no safety consequences. First, the elbow of street is very narrow, barely allowing passage of two cars. This creates safety issues. Firstly, turning onto the street from either direct is dangerous. Secondly, there is no room for pedestrians and there is no room to create a sidewalk for pedestrians. Many people live in this area year round and use this access point. Thirdly, the significant bike traffic creates an additional safety challenge to the area. While stop signs for bikes are located at the intersection of Pinehurst and Main Street, they are commonly ignored and thus create an additional hazard. Lastly, the exhaust from the increase in the idling cars could pose a health threat to the people in the homes given the immediate proximity to the street. For the safety of the inhabitants of Pinehurst Road, the drivers passing through, and bikers using the bike path, we urge you to reconsider the automobile entrance for Stop and Stop.

We would also ask that the location of the bus stop to remain where it is. This stop provides vital access to those living in this area and moving it further toward "the village" does not help anyone living or accessing the area here.

We thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Margie and Michael Sweeney