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Subject: Proposed Home Depot at KMart Sight

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I am not sure if I will be able to attend the zoom meeting tonight so I would like to offer my feelings on the proposed Home Depot in the space formerly occupied by Kmart.

I am a resident of the Vintage Chateau senior apartment complex, next door to the shopping center. There are hundreds of residents here! The entire southern side of our complex faces the transit way which leads to the back of the old Kmart. The noise from the trucks, not only throughout the day but late at night, the diesel fumes which spew into our apartments, even now with Kmart being empty are oppressive at best. Just crossing this transit street can be dangerous for seniors, and factoring in large delivery trucks is frightening. The idea of a large home-improvement store moving into the space just makes no sense. Friedman's is up the street. For those who need a Home Depot, there is one twenty minutes north. Putting a Home Depot in this space does NOT serve our community.

A Home Depot in the space adds unsustainable traffic to North McDowell. Further, the hundreds of seniors that use the shopping center here on the east side will be in peril with the type of traffic that Home Depot will bring into the parking lot. Many seniors transit through this parking lot by foot, patronizing the stores as well as the

restaurants. Having large trucks, even a truck rental center on this site endangers this community, and seriously compromises our quality of life. I know this community very much misses the convenience of Kmart, a department store which supplied a wide of merchandise. It seems to me the needs of this community have not even been taken into consideration.

So often the senior community is overlooked, but in this case we are right next-door! Certainly a better use of the space can be found.

Respectfully
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