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Subject: RE: BNA comments on Dillon's final plans

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Subject: BNA comments on Dillon's final plans
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>Dear Mayor Cromwell and City Commissioners,
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>The Barker Neighborhood Association has had some conversation on email,
>and a meeting yesterday, to discuss the final plans for Dillons.
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>We very much appreciate that many of the changes requested by the
>neighborhood were made in the plans. While we remain opposed to the
>drive-thru on New Hampshire Street, we appreciate the screening that has
>been added.
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>We have two more (minor) requests.
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>1. The sign about the drive-thru (as shown in the elevation illustration)
> seems large and we wonder whether it will be lighted. We request a
>smaller sign at that location, and if it is self-lit that it be WHITE. We
>also ask that any illumination of that sign be turned off when the
>drive-thru is not open for business. We make these requests to minimize
>intrusion of commercial elements into the single family area across the
>street, since there is no buffer.
>2. We ask that if any unforeseen changes should need to be made to the
>areas adjacent to homes on New Hampshire Street to accommodate the
>movement of semi-trucks, that the affected homeowners be reasonably
>compensated for their losses.
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>I did some research on the grass stabilization product Dillons proposes
>to use at the side of the NH fire lane. It appears that it will be a
>workable solution, but we would still like the note to remain in the plan
>that another solution will be implemented if this area is unsightly or
>ineffective in restricting traffic over the top of it.
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>One final aspect of the project deserves mention from our perspective,
>and that is the process of approval with the city. I am appreciative of
>staff's willingness to understand the concerns of the neighborhood and
>try to address them. Scott, Mary and Shoeb were all very helpful and and
>assisted us in thinking through some of the more challenging aspects of
>the project. We also appreciate the Commission's decision to send the
>plans back for revision to make the store a better project for the
>community.
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>I am unable to attend Tuesday's meeting, or I would be there in person to
>ask for these last few changes. I hope you will discuss them and approve
>them.
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>Thank you so much for your careful consideration of this plan. The
>neighborhood is looking forward to the new store!
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>Sincerely,
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>Lisa Harris
>Acting President
>Barker Neighborhood Association
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