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Dear members of the Zoning Board of Appeals:

I am writing in opposition to the requested variance for 402 Gammon Place.

The property -- currently a drive-through -- is in the transit oriented development overlay district, and the applicant is requesting to continue the auto-oriented use of the parcel into the future. The requested variance from the design standards regarding drive-throughs don't appear to be justified. We are about to open the city's first Bus Rapid Transit route that will go past this property. BRT is a \$175 million investment, and the TOD ordinance was specifically written to support the success of BRT by increasing density, reducing auto-oriented uses, and increasing safety and pedestrian activity along the corridor. The requested variance and the building of a new drive-through goes against this and should not be granted. Respectfully.

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