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I would like to register the following comment RE Kwik Trip's application of alcohol license at the former Stop n Go store at 2002 Winnebago Street:

It has come to my attention the Stop n' Go at 2002 Winnebago Street has recently experienced some changes in ownership, management, and structure. These changes appear to be moving extremely quickly, and I'm concerned that some of the changes may not represent the best interests of the surrounding community that this business exists to serve.

My first and most significant concern is the proposed shuttering of the post office currently housed inside the Stop n' Go store. This post office has been a wonderful and convenient resource to community members since it opened many years ago. For example, many residents of this community do not have access to personal motor vehicles, and routinely access postal services by walking or bicycling to the Stop n' Go store. Additionally, regardless of access to motor vehicles, the next closest options are the post office near the capitol square or the main postal sorting facility on Milwaukee Street. Both locations are outside the bounds of the neighborhood, somewhat cumbersome to access, and lack the neighborhood feel of the Stop n' Go store and the services it has historically offered.

I am also concerned about the proposed shuttering of the laundry facilities next door. For reasons similar to those listed above, these facilities have provided valuable services to residents of this neighborhood for many years, and losing access to these facilities may negatively impact many of the neighborhood's residents. As the seemingly unstoppable march of gentrification expands its reach, it seems inevitable that these types of facilities will continue to give way for different types of facilities, services, and buildings. I understand and accept this progression, but feel compelled to register my disappointment and support to my neighbors who will be impacted by the changes.

On the other hand, I do not accept the inevitability of shuttering the post office. I propose that if Kwik Trip wants its alcohol license, the company should agree to retain the post office inside their store. While I have prepared this statement on behalf of my wife and myself, I know that many of my neighbors feel similarly. Thank you for considering our opinions on this matter.

-Manny Wagnitz

