

# Grandview Commons

## Neighborhood Development Update Grocery Store Proposal

Dear Oak Park Place Family Members,

The proposed grocery store development for the Grandview Commons neighborhood is well underway. There have been multiple meetings to review the rezoning request and the commission is coming to the final stages of deciding whether the project will move forward. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, February 15.

Your input will help to determine whether the proposed grocery store moves forward in Grandview Commons. Please email the following contacts with your comments. If you need assistance, the Arbors Management staff will be happy to walk you through the process.

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Please copy and paste the content, personalizing the content with  
the information you would like to convey.*

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### Option 1

To Whom it May Concern:

Please enter this letter of support into the record for the proposed grocery store development in Grandview Commons. The neighborhood is thriving and vibrant, with an ideal mix of single and multi-family housing, dining, as well as important community service organizations for seniors. However, there is a scarcity of options when it comes to staples and groceries.

The nearest grocery stores are the Sentry on Cottage Grove Rd or the Piggly Wiggly in the opposite direction. Both are not convenient, and more importantly, do not offer the selection and variety that a high end grocery store would provide. Additionally, the banking and pharmacy services that would be included in the proposed store would be a very positive addition to the neighborhood.

As a family member of a resident at Oak Park Place, I feel that the proposed store would be an asset to the neighborhood and would provide a much need service. Thank you.

### Option 2

Dear Alderman Cnare,

While I do not live in the Grandview Commons neighborhood, I am a frequent visitor to a loved one who lives in the Oak Park Place community. The one drawback I see to the area is the lack of convenient options for supplies and groceries. We frequently have get togethers for family at Oak Park Place. It would be wonderful to have a high-end option for catering, grabbing a bite, or just picking up basic supplies.

Please count this letter as a vote for the proposed development. The benefits of convenience, not to mention the jobs it would provide, far outweigh the concerns about congestion and traffic patterns. We deal with these already, and with the new store planning a parking lot, it may help to ease the existing issues with street parking for the Great Dane. (Another wonderful addition to the neighborhood!)

### Option 3

Please consider this email a vote in support of the proposed grocery store development for the Grandview Commons neighborhood located off Cottage Grove Rd. I visit Oak Park Place regularly to spend time with loved ones, and am frequently frustrated by the lack of options available to me within close proximity. I would see a high-end grocery store as a hugely positive addition to the neighborhood.

This would also be of great benefit to the residents and families that live at Oak Park Place—providing a convenient, nearby option. Please feel free to contact me directly if you would like further comment. Thank you.

### Option 4

My mother is a resident in the Arbors, the independent living section of Oak Park Place. Through their newsletter, I recently became aware of a proposed grocery store to be built in the vicinity of the Great Dane Restaurant. I understand the permitting process is underway and that some doubt exists as to whether the store will be built.

Please add our names to those that want the store to be built. The area near Oak Park Place and the surrounding neighborhood has no commercial facilities other than the Great Dane. The building of the grocery store and other smaller shops will really help the area. At present my mother has to take the Oak Park Place bus to make any trip anywhere. A grocery store in the neighborhood would allow her to drive her own vehicle if she chooses and in good weather to walk to the store.

I'm uncertain why anyone would oppose the grocery store. The Great Dane has been very successful and while they could use more parking, a grocery store is never built these days without a large parking lot and good traffic flow. Please conclude your hearings and vote to build this store.