From:	Tag
To:	Rolfs, Daniel
Subject:	FW: Loss of Supermarket
Date:	Saturday, April 06, 2019 11:23:16 AM

Dear Dan,

Please read the email below.

As the newly-elected alder in this district, these are my constituents. As public servants, we need to do all within our power to meet the needs of our most vulnerable residents.

I'm sure you agree…I'm not suggesting otherwise. But I do want you to know what's motivating me.

Please enter Chris Wagner's email into the public record.

Thanks!

Tag

From: Arntsen, Allen <district13@cityofmadison.com>
Sent: Friday, April 5, 2019 7:54 AM
To: Tag Evers <tagevers@gmail.com>
Subject: Fw: Loss of Supermarket

Hi Tag. See below (we'll have some email interfaces over the next 10 days). How'd the rest of the meeting go?

Allen Arntsen

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From: Chris Wagner <cwagnerz@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 4, 2019 10:44 PM
To: Arntsen, Allen
Subject: Loss of Supermarket

Dear Tag,

Hello! Congratulations! I am glad you came by my house and talked to my mom and me. I

am writing to tell you what a loss of a supermarket in our area will mean to me personally. I believe I am "preaching to the choir," but just for the record:

I am semi-retired and do not drive. I moved to this neighborhood to be close to important services, including a grocery store. My significant other has a car and can often drive, but periodically is unable to due to an eye disease which is getting progressively worse, despite aggressive treatment. When that happens, I walk with my cart to get groceries for my mom, my significant other and myself.

But more than my inconvenience, I worry about those who have fewer resources than I do -- the elderly, the very poor, those with no access to a car, those who are disabled, those who, like me, moved to the neighborhood in order to not to be dependent on a car.

Given this city's interest in sustainability and the elimination of food deserts, it seems that there ought to be an easy compromise to wait until another supermarket can be built before tearing this one down. I laugh when I hear that Pick n Save is worried about their "outdated" supermarket. I've been in some other Pick n Save supermarkets and believe me, many of them are not exactly cutting edge. However, the reality is that most of us in the neighborhood can neither afford or even desire the fancy supermarket experience; we just need a place close by to get groceries.

Thanks for listening!

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