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Mr. Woulf

Regarding the application of Madison Oil LLC for the license which is subject of a public hearing before the ALRC on Wednesday, November 9, please add the Dunn's Marsh Neighborhood Association to the list of those opposed.

DMNA took a vote on this issue at our most recent meeting and it was unanimous in opposition to this proposal.

Reasons cited by our members include

- We feel our neighborhood is more than adequately served in this regard. There is an existing liquor store less than a mile away. There are 2 convenience stores even closer which already sell beer
- We have concerns about increased police calls to this location, for complaints as well as for a potential increase in traffic accidents.
- Litter is already a significant problem in the neighborhood and empty alcohol containers account for a significant portion of that.
- Overall, the Dunn's Marsh Allied Drive neighborhood remains a fragile community which would be far better served by businesses other than a liquor store.

It is worth noting the other opposition to this: MPD West District, Madison Alder Brian Solomon and Fitchburg Common Council Member Dorothy Krause are all on record as opposing this.

I can also tell you that I attended the Allied Dunn's Marsh Neighborhood Association meeting this past Saturday and ADMNA President Selena Pettigrew is also opposed. Also in attendance at that meeting were Fitchburg police officers Virginia Cherf-Mueller and Mike Buri. The officers were unaware of the application but voiced concerns.

***Bob Hague***

***President***

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