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**Sent:** Wednesday, January 18, 2012 1:41 PM  
**To:** Martin, Al  
**Cc:** Soglin, Paul  
**Subject:** Opposing the Big Box Store in Grandview Commons

**Please share with all members of Urban Design Commission prior to the meeting tonight.**

Dear Urban Design Commission;

Due to scheduling conflicts at work, I am not able to attend today's meeting, nor was I able to attend the previous hearing last Thursday due to work conflicts. It is certainly not for lack of interest in this project. (Although I would like to be on vacation in Arizona as Alder Cnare is!)

I am writing to express my opposition to the Roundy's proposal for a big box 58,000 square foot grocery on the Doric Lodge site in the front of Grandview Commons. A large grocery store with semi-trucks, their fumes, and the traffic of an estimated 1,600 additional cars **per day** in this residential neighborhood will neither enhance the appearance of the neighborhood nor be advantageous for the grocery store in the long run.

I have suggested many times that the store be considered for the corner of Sprecher and Milwaukee, as both of those cross streets already are set up for increased traffic and semis since both streets are currently 4-lane roads. Why would you want to ruin a gorgeous subdivision with such a large commercial building when there is an alternate site less than 1 mile away that can handle the volume of traffic and noise so much better? I'm not opposed to a big box grocery store close by. I'm opposed to having it smack in the middle of a residential neighborhood.

The last time I checked, we lived in a democracy where majority rules. With the equal opposition and support for this project that Alder Cnare pointed out in her letter, it would seem that you do not have consensus on this matter and therefore a vote in favor of this proposal would be ill advised at this time.

Thank you for considering my viewpoint.

Sincerely,

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