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Dear Camas Mayor and Council:

Camas is known for supporting schools and excelling. The support for schools has elevated Camas home prices and made it a preferred place to live in the region and we happily pay our taxes to support. Decisions to put a commercial center like the proposed Camas Station 300' from Prune Hill Elementary is in direct opposition to the spirit of Camas. This proposal harms our city, our neighbors, and our children.

In addition to the health hazards and the EPA recommendations AGAINST such commercial properties near schools and parks, adding more traffic where little kids walk to school and an already crowded area is illogical. Shoppers at the future Columbia Palisades will not drive 1.5 miles around Brady to get to the proposed Camas Station when there is the Chevron a couple blocks away on 192nd as was suggested last night.

You need to rezone any commercial property (not just the parcel at Brady/16th) near/adjacent to residential areas - particularly those containing schools and parks - to prevent gas stations from *ever* being built in proximity, and you need to ensure approval for Camas Station is denied.

The more I learn, the more horrified I am our city planning staff recommend approval of this proposal. That speaks to the fact that in spite of the voluminous amounts of literature at their fingertips (EPA guidelines, et al) they did not research the adverse impacts of putting gas stations and convenience stores in residential areas.

Just because you can build it doesn't mean you should. If this project is approved, you will galvanize residents/parents to mobilize and take action. It's a proposal that poses not just increased traffic danger for our children, but environmental pollution hazards too. In 2022, you and your planning staff should know and do better.

Despite all the modern health and safety guidelines they must follow, gas stations can still pose significant hazards to neighbors, especially children.

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