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Dear Mayor and Council Members,

I am writing to you to express my EXTREME disapproval of this ill-conceived proposed project. I recognize that Camas is a growing community and appropriate development is needed to provide residents with appropriate retail outlets, services, and other amenities. However, this project in this location makes zero sense. Putting a convenience store (which will sell junk food, cigarettes, and alcohol) and a gas station across the street from an elementary school (and down the road from 2 other schools) is just a terrible idea for our community. To improve quality of life in Camas we need businesses that allow residents to walk to local restaurants, cafes, etc. and will serve to bring people together. A convenience store, gas station, and drive thru coffee will only increase traffic, congestion, and pose hazards to children going to school and people walking and cycling.

The intersection at Brady is particularly inappropriate given the hazards at this intersection. I have witnessed numerous near accidents due to the poor visibility for turning vehicles (to get to the proposed site most vehicles will be turning off of Brady Road). A much more appropriate location for something like this would be at the development occurring at 192nd and Route 14 - where a gas station and convenience store would actually make sense given the nearby highway and people entering and leaving the highway.

I have to say that I am really getting tired of the poor development decisions being made by our city (eg, the recent unsightly storage facility in beautiful Grass Valley when other storage facilities are being built over on Frieberg-Strunk). The City seems to have no vision and no clue what residents actually want. I feel very strongly about this and will be voting against ALL of you if this project proceeds.

Sincerely,
Ken O'Day