To whom it may concern:

The current tenant is proposing the yard connection and improvement project at the existing MDW Sortation facility within the City of Crest Hill (16825 Churnovic Lane). As part of the project scope, a variance is being sought from Section 15.04.040 of the City of Crest Hill Zoning Ordinance regarding the maximum allowable curb cut width. This variance is necessary to accommodate internal truck circulation improvements that will enhance operational efficiency and improve traffic safety.

The proposed improvements include the following:

- Relocation of the existing guard shack in the southeast corner
- Relocation of southeastern curb cut
- Removal of associate parking in the southern lot to accommodate east/west truck yard connection
- Additional associate parking in northern lot
- Safety improvements to associate parking lot sidewalks, crosswalks, signage and striping

The primary goals for this project are twofold. First, by connecting the truck yard internally, we can significantly reduce truck traffic and queuing on public roads adjacent to the facility. Currently, trucks are required to fully exit the secure yard on one side of the site and re-enter from the other, creating unnecessary congestion and potential safety hazards. The proposed connection will allow trucks to travel between the east and west sides of the yard without leaving the secure perimeter, streamlining operations and reducing the impact on local traffic. The intension of the associate parking lot improvements is to make it safer for associates to travel to and from the building through the addition of designated sidewalks and crosswalks.

Second, the improvements to the associate parking areas are intended to create a safer environment for employees. By adding clearly marked sidewalks and crosswalks, as well as improving signage and striping, we aim to provide a more pedestrian-friendly layout that prioritizes associate safety during shift changes and high-traffic periods.

The tenant is committed to being a responsible and responsive member of the Crest Hill community. We believe this project reflects that commitment by reducing traffic impact, improving safety for both associates and the public, and enhancing the overall functionality of the site. We respectfully request the Planning Commission's support for the proposed variance and associated site improvements, and we welcome any questions or feedback you may have. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Should you have any questions regarding the scope or proposed improvements, please contact Marta Gappy at 331-888-3282.

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