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I have lived in Seattle my whole life. And in the immediate neighborhood of Madison Valley since 1979. I have seen many changes some good and some not so good. I think that the development planned for the former City People's site is a good one. We would truly love to have a PCC as I have shopped with them since I was a child. I currently have to drive 15-30 minutes to a store now and would be thrilled to have them within walking distance. I believe having a serious anchor business would improve the business district which has struggled for as long as I have lived here. The restaurants are fine but they are not providing the everyday supplies we need. Increasing traffic and making for some better road improvements would slow things down on Madison. Maybe we would have a more pedestrian friendly shopping area.

I also support higher density of housing along arterials. With the Rapidride nearby and the #11 and #8 buses we have the perfect location for a larger apartment building and a grocery store.

Since the zoning allows this building as planned, I disagree with letting a small handful of neighbors try to prohibit what has always been a possibility there. These neighbors have always had access to the public records that would have told them what could be built there. This is not news. None of them have fought the big boxy homes going up on the small lots nearby but they don't like this. The neighborhood is changing and will continue to change. That said, if it is possible to ameliorate the height on the back side without killing the project nor making it uneconomical, I would see that as a plus.

I also support a version of the plan that allows for a larger open area facing Madison so that it is more street friendly and less of a canyon.

Thank you,

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