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Dear Des Moines City Council Members,

I have lived in Beaverdale fo 22 years and love our neighborhood and city. I wanted to reach out to you as I was disappointed that Planning and Zoning denied Fareway's request to put an entrance on 41st Street near the corner of Beaver and Urbandale. Though I understand some of the concerns of residents adjacent to the proposed property, many residents of Beaverdale don't want to have another building sit empty and remain an eyesore. We all would benefit from growth in our community.

I believe that Fareway is a great fit for our community and has been something my family and our neighbors have talked about and are excited to have in Beaverdale. The store being closed on Sundays and the hours during the week would ensure that business would not be intrusive to the neighbors. In addition, I plan to walk or bike to the store as many others would too, thus decreasing the amount of vehicle traffic.

About 13 years ago as our kids reached school age our family needed to decide if we were going to stay in Beaverdale or move to the suburbs. We chose to stay due to the strength of our community. Adding Fareway to our community can only strengthen it and encourage more families to choose to stay.

Please consider denying the Planning and Zoning recommendation and vote to allow Fareway to rezone the 41st Street entrance.

Thank you,

Kory Riley Dana Riley