Subject: Form Submission - Westwood Redevelopment contact form
Date: Friday, November 2, 2018 at 3:37:34 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Squarespace
To: Andrew Gagliano

Name: Hope Pampillonia

Email Address: hopepamp@comcast.net

Phone Number: (301) 229-8824

Neighborhood / City: Bethesda Fort Sumner

Message: When you say anticipated groundbreaking next year does that mean 2019? Please say yes! It's taking too long! Can't wait for the new development!

Would you like to receive our updates in your email inbox?: Yes, please

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center RE[DEVELOPMENT])
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Date:     Friday, November 2, 2018 at 3:59:24 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From:     Squarespace
To:       Andrew Gagliano

Name: Nick Magliato

Email Address: Nick.magliato@highstreetit.com

Phone Number:

Neighborhood / City: Springfield

Message: I'm a resident of the Springfield neighborhood and support this redevelopment. Please bring us a good coffee shop 😊

Would you like to receive our updates in your email inbox?: Yes, please

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center REDEVELOPMENT)
Westwood Redevelopment -- Please Support the Regency Plan

Monahan, Tim <TMonahan@lockton.com>

"MCO-chair@mnccpvc-mc.org"

Sunday, January 6, 2019 at 11:42 AM

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I recognize this development will increase density in the area, which may impact traffic and schools. I am fine with this. The population of the county will continue to grow, and these concerns are best addressed by improving public transportation, not by restricting the amount of housing that is built in convenient locations. And the county has an obligation to provide adequate school facilities, and it must continue to do so. But again, the solution is not to restrict the amount of housing but rather figure out ways to accommodate any increase in the number of students who may attend our excellent schools.

I welcome these new neighbors and believe they will enhance our community and enjoy living here as much as I do. I am willing to accept some changes to the neighborhood and the area, even if they result in some inconvenience to me, because I believe the benefits will outweigh those inconveniences.

I know many neighbors who share my desire for the County to approve these plans and allow the construction to begin.

Thank you for considering my views, and for the time the Planning Board has put into this process. I am hopeful that the Westwood redevelopment can begin as soon as possible.

Tim Monahan
Timmmonahan14@gmail.com
301-257-1110
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood Redevelopment contact form
Date: Saturday, January 12, 2019 at 8:26:53 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Squarespace
To: Andrew Gagliano

Name: Stephanie Shevitz
Email Address: kitchell.stephanie@gmail.com
Phone Number: 
Neighborhood / City: Bethesda

Message: I highly support the redevelopment of the Westwood shopping center. It is time for a new, more green, and pedestrian friendly shopping experience to come in our neighborhood.

Would you like to receive our updates in your email inbox?: Yes, please

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center [RE]DEVELOPMENT)
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form

Date: Monday, January 28, 2019 at 5:05:11 PM Eastern Standard Time

From: Squarespace

To: westwood

Message: I am a proponent of the new development at Westwood Shopping center. I live in in the Westwood Mews just feet from the property. I have been a resident of Montgomery County since 1984. I am appalled at some of the community for fighting the improvements planned. The current property can only be described as blight and progress in the year 2019 must allow the development and subsequent increased taxes gained from the retailers and communities built which will further provide this area in need of redevelopment to flourish and serve the community. Short sighted, naïve resistance to the changes proposed are antiquated, backward and economically dangerous to the region.

Name: Bill Blumberg

Neighborhood / City: Westwood Mews

Email Address: bill@primeinvestments.us

Phone:

May we contact you?: Yes

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center [RE]DEVELOPMENT)
February 6, 2019

Attention: Chair Casey Anderson
Montgomery County Planning Board
8787 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Westwood Redevelopment Project
Letter of Support – Steve Carboni

Dear Chair Casey Anderson:

This letter serves as my voice of support for Regency Center’s Westwood redevelopment project. As a long-time Bethesda resident, a commercial real estate owner & developer and a parent to three kids currently in the Pyle/Whitman Cluster, I understand the need for smart growth in the face of school overcrowding and traffic congestion.

This property, which has been outdated and out-positioned for decades, is not maximizing its ability to serve the greater community. There are many unique shopping options to the northeast along the Old Georgetown and Rockville Pike corridors, but those options do not conveniently and seamlessly serve their local, adjacent, community. One needs to drive south and spend their money in the District of Columbia, which does nothing for the Bethesda, Montgomery County or the State of Maryland.

We all know that smart growth is not as easy as allowing the vocal minority to stop development progress … which they have successfully done throughout the County. The community needs this property to be repositioned into a beautiful, medium-density, mixed-use development that can serve as the West Bethesda place maker. That is Regency’s plan.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (301) 652-2365.

Sincerely,

Steve Carboni
5408 Glenwood Road
Bethesda, MD 20817
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form

Date: Saturday, February 9, 2019 at 4:55:02 PM Eastern Standard Time

From: Squarespace

To: westwood@maierwarnerpr.com

Message: We live on Westbard Avenue and can not wait for the redevelopment to take place. We are a young family and desperately need more vibrant urban amenities - restaurants, new park for our boys, walkable shopping center where we can enjoy strolls and afternoon coffee. What we have now is so tired and we have to go to downtown Bethesda every time we want to do something as a family.

Name: Annika Vaughan

Neighborhood / City: 5511 Westbard Avenue Bethesda

Email Address: Annika.vaughan@gmail.com

Phone: (202) 290-4906

May we contact you?: Yes

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center [RE]DEVELOPMENT)
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form
Date: Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 5:04:29 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Squarespace
To: westwood@maierwarnerpr.com

Message: This sector of Montgomery County is, indeed, in need of major up grading which will benefit the community in many ways. Therefore, after reviewing the Regency Centers' proposed designs, I strongly support the Westwood Redevelopment project.

Name: Nahid Mohamadi

Neighborhood / City:

Email Address: Nmoha25@verizon.net

Phone: (202) 439-0292

May we contact you?: Yes

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center [RE]DEVELOPMENT)
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form
Date: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 4:21:13 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Squarespace
To: westwood@maierwarnerpr.com

Message: I live in Silver Spring but have worked in the area for years, we are looking at retiring soon. It would be great to have restaurants, shops and public transportation so easily accessible. The convenience would make it very appealing. The area is not appealing as it is now.

Name: Richard Tomkinson

Neighborhood / City: Silver Spring

Email Address: rrbobt@gmail.com

Phone: (301) 946-0304

May we contact you?: No

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center [RE]DEVELOPMENT)
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form
Date: Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 2:02:19 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Squarespace
To: westwood@maierwarnerpr.com

Message: Help revitalize a very run down area and bring more economic prosperity to an area with great potential. Will create jobs and develop an otherwise affluent and promising location.

Name: Gholam Saleh

Neighborhood / City: Potomac

Email Address: msaleh083105@yahoo.com

Phone:

May we contact you?: No

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center [RE]DEVELOPMENT)
From: Squarespace <no-reply@squarespace.info>
Reply-To: 'Jnader@mcleanmortgage.com' <Jnader@mcleanmortgage.com>
Date: Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 2:10 PM
To: westwood <westwood@maierwarnerpr.com>
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form

Message: I am in full support of the redevelopment plan Westwood. I live on Westbard Ave and I'm wondering if the homeowners would have an opportunity to acquire the land behind our homes which used to be the Manor Care parking lot

Name: James Nader

Neighborhood / City: Westbard

Email Address: Jnader@mcleanmortgage.com

Phone: (301) 332-9335

May we contact you?: Yes

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center [RE]DEVELOPMENT)
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form
Date:   Monday, February 18, 2019 at 6:10:35 PM Eastern Standard Time
From:   Squarespace
To:     westwood

Message: Will provide great new environment.

Name: John Crupi

Neighborhood / City: Bethesda

Email Address: JOHN.CRUPI@kickanalytics.COM

Phone:

May we contact you?: Yes

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center [RE]DEVELOPMENT)
Dear Mr. Dreyfuss,

We have too many underused and invisible public open spaces in Downtown Bethesda. We want large, street-facing open space that can be seen and easily accessed by residents, metro and bus riders and those visiting and working in the area.

Brookfield should position its building further back from Wisconsin Ave, like that of the prior Meridian Group plan in 2008, not in the middle of one of the last, large remaining open spaces in Bethesda.

Please implement the Downtown Bethesda Master Plan and demand "the right quality of space that serves the goal of enhancing the public realm."

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Gautam Prakash
4309 Elm St
Chevy Chase, MD 20815
gautam@monsoongroup.com

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Email: Support Regency Centers Plan for Redevelopment of Westwood Shopping Center

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Support Regency Cen...

Email
From lizn@northpoint-services.com

To <MCP-Chair MCP-Chair>; MCP-Chair #: mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org

Cc emckeeby@hotmail.com

Subject Support Regency Centers Plan for Redevelopment of Westwood Shopping Center

Date Sent Date Received 11/2/2018 12:02 PM

Mr. Casey Anderson
Chair Montgomery County Planning Board
8787 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring MD 20910

Re: Westwood Shopping Center Redevelopment
Site Plan 820180190
Preliminary Plan 12017017

Dear Chairman Anderson and Members of the Montgomery County Planning Board,

Please accept this letter of support into the public record relative to the above-referenced proposal by Regency Centers to redevelop the Westwood Shopping Center.

I reside with my family in the Sumner neighborhood, approximately 0.6 miles from the site. When we were looking to purchase a home in this area a few years ago, we were told there was a plan to redevelop this shopping center. We were thrilled. In fact, it made us more confident in our decision to purchase a home in Sumner.

Several months ago, I attended the community meeting at Westland Middle School. It was packed. During the applicant’s presentation, it became clear that many people were confused about the current application vs. a larger redevelopment proposal from 2 years ago. I spoke in support of the project. Sumner and the surrounding neighborhoods have a large numbers of families with young children. I said that there was a lot of community support to redevelop this center, but it is difficult for working parents of young children to get out to evening meetings on weeknights. Our contemporaries all seem astounded that anyone wouldn’t want to redevelop this dated shopping center. I recently heard a new term, “silent majority”, and it struck me that this was a perfect example.
Email

Westwood Shopping...

Email
From
Justin Cressall

To
<MCP-Chair MCP-Chair>; MCP-Chair #; mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org

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Subject
Westwood Shopping Center

Date Sent
Date Received
12/12/2018 2:00 PM

Mr. Anderson,

I am writing to express my support for the redevelopment of the Westwood Shopping Center.

I am a resident of Sumner and drive past the current site daily. The area is in desperate need of redevelopment and I see many positives from this plan. There aren't many opportunities to develop areas of this size, in this market, and after much deliberation I believe this plan addresses most peoples concerns.

I would encourage you to support this plan as it will serve to enhance the community while improving the environment.

Respectfully,

Justin Cressall

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Cell: (240) 271-2848
Email: justincressall@gmail.com

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December 20, 2018

Attention: Chair Casey Anderson
Montgomery County Planning Board
8787 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Westwood Redevelopment Project
Letter of Support – Margaret E. Cornelius

Dear Chair Casey Anderson:

This letter serves to outline my support for the Westwood Redevelopment project proposed by Regency Centers. Having moved recently from the West Coast to the Bethesda area, we have been puzzled by the lack of walkable and community-centered shopping and entertainment options. When we learned that our nearest (and frankly underwhelming) shopping center was slated for redevelopment, we became even more convinced that Bethesda was a place for us to stay for the long term. Indeed we have purchased a home in nearby Fort Sumner and are looking forward to a revitalized Westwood shopping center to enjoy in the coming years.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-531-4938.

Sincerely,

Margaret E. Cornelius
5605 Chesterbrook Road
December 20, 2018

Attention: Chair Casey Anderson
Montgomery County Planning Board
8787 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Westwood Redevelopment Project
Letter of Support – John J. Stroman

Dear Chair Casey Anderson:

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Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 329-7848.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

John J. Stroman
4912 Baltan Road

Via Electronic Delivery
Email

Support for Mixed Us...

From: rwsutton1@gmail.com

To: <MCP-Chair MCP-Chair>; MCP-Chair #; mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org

Cc:

Subject: Support for Mixed Use Development on Georgia Avenue and Forest Glen road

Date Sent: 12/27/2018 3:51 PM

Hello,

My name is Robert Sutton and I live at 1813 Tilton Dr, Silver Spring, MD 20902. Our community news letter told us that you are considering a mixed use development there. Our family whole heartedly supports this and wants to express our support.

We may not get a chance to go to a meeting and express this but I wanted to express this via email. Please contact me via email or phone 301-706-1252 if there is anything I can do to support this proposal.

Thank you,

Robert Sutton

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Re: Westwood Redevelopment Project
Letter of Support- Ashley K. Pizzo

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Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (631) 682-0125.

Sincerely,

Ashley Pizzo
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4904 Baltan Rd
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Subject
Letter of support on Westbard redevelopment

Date Sent
Date Received
1/1/2019 4:31 PM

Dear Mr. Anderson,

I'm writing to share my strong support for Regency Centers' redevelopment of the Westbard Shopping Center.

I live with my wife and 2 pre-schoolers in the Sumner neighborhood of Bethesda, a 10-minute walk from the shopping center. While we love our neighborhood, we have been disappointed with the lack of restaurants and shopping within walking distance. I attended Regency's presentation of its revised plan last year at Westland Middle School, and am excited about the vision they presented.

While I have listened many times to the concerns about Regency's plan raised by some in our community, these are not concerns that I share and I think many are based on misunderstandings about the actual plan.

Thank you for your consideration.

John Nicholson
5617 Wood Way
Bethesda, MD 20816

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4910 Newport Avenue  
Bethesda, MD 20816  

January 2nd, 2019  

Chair Casey Anderson  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
8787 Georgia Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20910  

Dear Mr. Anderson:  

I am writing to voice my strong support for the proposed Westwood Shopping Center redevelopment. My family and I live in the adjacent Westgate neighborhood and shop at the current center from time to time. The sea of empty parking, ugly buildings, and lack of green space on the existing property are all quite noticeable, particularly given the shopping center’s prime location. The current buildings are an eye sore and we honestly only go there out of necessity due to its proximity to our house.  

I’ve seen the proposed plans and renderings for the new development and am excited about the design, town green, and new retail options coming to the neighborhood. I can actually imagine our family going there to shop, play, and enjoy the space versus dropping in to grab milk or coffee and getting out as quickly as possible. The scale of the project is appropriate and the architecture is attractive, especially compared to what is there now. The additional green space is also a plus and will make the pedestrian experience so much better along Westbard Avenue (particularly for our young family).  

My family and I ask for your support of this project as it moves through the County approvals process. This shopping center has been run down for too long and is in need for a redevelopment like this.  

Sincerely,  

[Signature]  

Brandon Wright
Jan 4 2019

Chair Casey Anderson
Montgomery County Planning Board
8787 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Westwood Shopping Center Redevelopment

Dear Mr. Anderson,

Please accept this letter of support for the Westwood Shopping Center redevelopment proposed by Regency Centers. I am a Bethesda native and have lived less than a mile from this shopping center with my family for the last 10 years. My wife and I are extremely excited about a new shopping center (and new dining options) potentially coming to the neighborhood.

I would be lying if I said I spent any time that I enjoyed at the current shopping center. It may be one of the least inviting places to visit in the area – but our family has to go due to its amazing location and 2-3 retail options like Giant and Starbucks. The retail is run down and there is no place to meet up with family or friends anywhere, outside of the cramped Starbucks. There is asphalt and concrete everywhere you look, and no landscaping or green space on the property. It’s just an unpleasant place to spend time and with the myriad options around Bethesda and in DC, its losing big time.

I am excited about potentially having a new Giant. I love the town green shown in the current plans and can see our family riding our bikes over there to meet up with friends. I also like how Regency Centers has opened the shopping center up to the neighborhood and Westbard Avenue. That will make the pedestrian experience so much better along that street. Please encourage Regency to do the opposite of what CCC Land did at Friendship Heights and attract local restaurant operators – with price points to serve all Bethesda residents.

I encourage you and your fellow Board members to support this development as it moves through the approvals process.

Thanks,

[Signature]

John Begent
4909 Redford Road
Bethesda, Maryland
Email

Redevelopment of Westwood Shopping Center

From: Brad Edwards

To: MCP-Chair; MCP-Chair #; mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org; MCP-Chair@mncppc-md.org

Cc: kris@maierwarnpr.com

Subject: Redevelopment of Westwood Shopping Center

Date Sent: 1/10/2019  
Date Received: 1/5/2019 2:26 PM

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Subject: Westwood Redevelopment -- Please Support the Regency Plan

Date Sent: 1/6/2019 11:47 AM

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January 7, 2019

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Montgomery County Planning Board  
8787 Georgia Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Westwood Redevelopment Project  
Letter of Support – Patricia Stroman

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Sincerely,

Patricia Stroman  
4912 Baltan Road
Email

Westbard Redevelopment

From: douglas.sharp@verizon.net

To: MCP-Chair; MCP-Chair #; mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org

Subject: Westbard Redevelopment

Date Sent: 1/8/2019 2:09 PM

Chair Casey Anderson
Montgomery County Planning Board

Mr. Anderson,

This e-mail is written in support of Regency Center's plans for the Westwood Shopping Center in Bethesda. I am a long time resident of the Woodacres community in Bethesda and I have been looking forward for many years to an updated and more functional local shopping center. The submitted redevelopment plans seem to strike the correct balance of improving the shopping/dining experience with the associated increased resident density. These plans demonstrate an attractive design with a park-like aesthetic that would be a valuable addition to the surrounding neighborhoods for many years. I truly believe that a walkable and bikeable shopping center would be an extremely beneficial addition to the area.

As a commuter and a parent of local schoolchildren I am aware of the well publicized and organized concerns regarding overcrowding of the local roads and schools. I have reviewed the studies of these implications and still feel strongly that the proposed redevelopment should be allowed to proceed in my "backyard".

Sincerely,

Douglas Sharp
douglas.sharp@verizon.net

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To: <MCP-Chair MCP-Chair>; MCP-Chair #; mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org
Cc:
Subject: Westwood Re-development

Date Sent: 1/9/2019 4:00 PM  Date Received: 1/9/2019 4:00 PM

Hello: just a few lines to express our support for this Project.
However, we hope that traffic concerns are addressed and mitigated, and that the Commission ensures that the proper alignment of the Westbard Ave and Ridgefield St gets done, per the original plan and vision.

Thank you for your work and for your consideration.
Respectfully, Juan Carlos Iturregui
5604 Abia Rd., Bethesda (3 blocks away from the site)

p.s. would be visionary to put bike lanes and place utility cables underground.

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To: MCP-Chair <mcp-chair@mnccpc.mc.org>
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Montgomery County Planning Board

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Cc:

Subject: FW: Form Submission - Westwood support form

Date Sent: 1/18/2019 10:08 AM

From: Squarespace <no-reply@squarespace.info>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 10:52 AM
To: westwood@maierwarnerpr.com
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form
Importance: High

Message: I live in Westwood Mews. This development is going to bring needed, walkable amenities to a neighborhood that needs it!

Name: Stephen Potter
Neighborhood / City: Westwood Mews, Bethesda
Email Address: stephennpotter@gmail.com
Phone: (703) 943-7514

May we contact you?: Yes
(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center (RE)DEVELOPMENT)

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To: westwood@maierwarnerpr.com
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form
Importance: High

Message: convenient shopping, elevated dining options (non-chain/local coffee shop), green space

Name: Jacqueline Potter

Neighborhood / City: Bethesda - Westwood Mews

Email Address: jacqueline.clevette@gmail.com

Phone: (612) 414-9453

May we contact you? Yes

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center [RE]DEVELOPMENT)

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hhausnerova@gmail.com

To
<MCP-Chair MCP-Chair>; MCP-Chair #; mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org

Cc

Subject
Letter of support on Westbard redevelopment

Date Sent
1/24/2019

Date Received
1/23/2019 4:22 PM

Dear Mr. Anderson,

I'm writing to share my strong support for Regency Centers' redevelopment of the Westbard Shopping Center.

I live with my husband and 2 pre-schoolers in the Sumner neighborhood of Bethesda, a 10-minute walk from the shopping center. While we love our neighborhood, we have been disappointed with the lack of restaurants and shopping within walking distance. I attended Regency's presentation of its revised last year at Westland Middle School, and am excited about the vision they presented.

While I have listened many times to the concerns about Regency's plan raised by some in our community, these are not concerns that I share and I think many are based on misunderstandings about the actual plan.

Thank you for your consideration.

Hana Hausnerova
5004 Brookeway Drive
Bethesda MD 20816

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Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 4:25 AM
To: westwood@maierwarnerpr.com
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form
Importance: High

Message: Upscale retail and dining

Name: Amy Rusk

Neighborhood / City: Westmoreland Hills

Email Address: Amy.crupit@gmail.com

Phone:

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center [RE]DEVELOPMENT)

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Support for Westbard Plan

There has been a great deal of hysteria in lower Montgomery County about the Westbard plan, and presumably most of the comments you have seen have been coordinated opposition to the proposal. Not all neighborhood residents oppose the plan. I have read the public documents and believe the future demands the kind of changes envisioned. Opponents are steadfastly holding or the view that the 1960s era situation for Westbard should remain, refusing to accept that increased density (albeit not with mega-towers) is both necessary and desirable for continued vibrancy in the County. Enough obstacles have been thrown in front of the redevelopment, but it is time for the County to put its stamp of approval on the plan and allow it to move forward for the benefit of the area and Montgomery as a whole.

Calvin & Jan Konner
Keokuk Street

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From: Emily Balmer
To: mcp-crm-tracker@mnccc-vc.org
Cc: 
Subject: RE: Form Submission - Westwood support form

Date Sent: 1/31/2019 9:34 AM
Date Received: 1/31/2019 9:34 AM

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Received: 1/30/2019
To: mcp-chair@mnccc-vc.org; MCP-Chair@mnccc-vc.org; mcp-chair@mnccc-vc.org; MCP-Chair@mnccc-vc.org;
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form

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February 6, 2019

Attention: Chair Casey Anderson
Montgomery County Planning Board
8787 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Westwood Redevelopment Project
Letter of Support – Steve Carboni

Dear Chair Casey Anderson:

This letter serves as my voice of support for Regency Center’s Westwood redevelopment project. As a long-time Bethesda resident, a commercial real estate owner & developer and a parent to three kids currently in the Pyle/Whitman Cluster, I understand the need for smart growth in the face of school overcrowding and traffic congestion.

This property, which has been outdated and out-positioned for decades, is not maximizing its ability to serve the greater community. There are many unique shopping options to the northeast along the Old Georgetown and Rockville Pike corridors, but those options do not conveniently and seamlessly serve their local, adjacent, community. One needs to drive south and spend their money in the District of Columbia, which does nothing for the Bethesda, Montgomery County or the State of Maryland.

We all know that smart growth is not as easy as allowing the vocal minority to stop development progress ... which they have successfully done throughout the County. The community needs this property to be repositioned into a beautiful, medium-density, mixed-use development that can serve as the West Bethesda place maker. That is Regency’s plan.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (301) 652-2365.

Sincerely,

Steve Carboni
5408 Glenwood Road
Bethesda, MD 20817
Email

Westbard

Email
From debby.demaree@icloud.com
To <MCP-Chair MCP-Chair>; MCP-Chair #; mcp-chair@mncppc-mc.org; MCP-Chair@mncppc-mc.org
Cc
Subject Westbard

Date Sent 2/11/2019 5:51 PM
Date Received 2/13/2019

Dear Mr. Anderson,

I had the opportunity to be in Arlington, Va on Sunday and after visiting some retailers who had exceptional stores, I continue to wonder why Montgomery County has such inadequate retail services.

The situation at Westbard is a prime example. Fifteen years and many iterations later an excellent developer has proposed a very reasonable density plan for a very spectacular and valuable site, one that desperately needs to be updated to serve the neighborhood and surrounding communities.

The current center is outdated, outmoded and inadequate. I’ve lived in the neighborhood for 63 years and I shopped at the center when I was a child! We certainly deserve more than lipstick on the pig.

We deserve the opportunity to have places to live, work and shop in Bethesda, that are modern, and creative, attractive and welcoming, and the proposed redevelopment at Westbard has the opportunity to turn an eyesore into a wonderful place.

Please vote for and support this opportunity it’s for responsible growth and change in Bethesda.

Sincerely,

Deborah Demaree
6623 Radnor Road
Bethesda, MD 20817
301-332-8062

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Cc:
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form
Date Sent: 2/11/2019 11:36 AM

From: Squarespace <no-reply@squarespace.info>
Sent: Saturday, February 9, 2019 4:55 PM
To: westwood@maierwarnerpr.com
Subject: Form Submission - Westwood support form
Importance: High

Message: We live on Westbard Avenue and can not wait for the redevelopment to take place. We are a young family and desperately need more vibrant urban amenities - restaurants, new park for our boys, walkable shopping center where we can enjoy strolls and afternoon coffee. What we have now is so tired and we have to go to downtown Bethesda every time we want to do something as a family.

Name: Annika Vaughan

Neighborhood / City: 5511 Westbard Avenue Bethesda
Email Address: Annika.vaughan@gmail.com
Phone: (202) 290-4906
May we contact you?: Yes
(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center (REDEVELOPMENT)

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Message: This sector of Montgomery County is, indeed, in need of major up grading which will benefit the community in many ways. Therefore, after reviewing the Regency Centers' proposed designs, I strongly support the Westwood Redevelopment project.

Name: Nahid Mohamadi

Email Address:Nmoha25@verizon.net

Phone: (202) 439-0292

May we contact you?: Yes

(Sent via Westwood Shopping Center (REDEVELOPMENT)

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To  & MCP-Chair MCP-Chair>; & MCP-Chair #; & mcp-chair@mnccppc-mc.org; & MCP-Chair@mnccppc-mc.org
Cc
Subject  Westwood Redevelopment - Letter of Support
Date Sent  Date Received  2/11/2019 11:46 AM

To Whom It May Concern:

I fully support a redeveloped shopping center that will bring a much better place for this community to shop and gather. The center, as it stands now, is an absolute eyesore. There are several young families, such as my own, in our community who are anxiously awaiting a place with a better shopping experience and a place that we can use on a daily basis to meet and enjoy our neighbors. These types of places currently exist in several communities in and around Montgomery County and I strongly believe we deserve one at the Westwood site. The current site is underutilized and lacks appropriate use, in my opinion. There is an opportunity to maximize the placemaking for residents of this community and the immediate surrounding neighborhoods. I believe strongly in the redevelopment and fully support the effort to bring an upgraded experience to Westwood.

Respectfully,

Dave Yampolsky

Dave Yampolsky
Senior Development Associate
UIP Asset Management, Inc.
140 Q Street NE
Washington, DC 20002
(202) 813-1035 Direct
(301) 787-5764 Cell

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February 25, 2019

Chair Casey Anderson  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
8787 Georgia Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Re: Westwood Redevelopment

Dear Mr. Anderson,

I am reaching out to voice my support for the Westwood Redevelopment and encourage you and the Board to approve the latest plans filed by Regency Centers. I live a few blocks away from this property in the Westgate neighborhood and drive by this property daily. I rarely stop to shop there though, unless I am in need of a coffee at Starbucks.

I was excited when Equity One initially proposed demolishing this aging shopping center several years ago and redeveloping it into a giant, mixed-use project. I was admittedly a little nervous about all of the density that was proposed and the potential traffic that would result but felt the benefits (new retail, improved traffic safety measures, and green space) far outweighed the costs/ Drawbacks. It looks like Regency Centers has since taken over the project, scaled it back significantly, and added additional open space and landscaping. I really like their latest plans and feel they have addressed all of the concerns I had with the old Equity One plans.

Our neighborhood is full of young families looking for somewhere to shop, dine, and entertain their children. The current shopping center simply doesn’t meet those needs or allow for any community interaction. The Giant is old and not well maintained, and the rest of the shopping center feels like it is stuck in the 1980’s. Instead of walking or biking to the existing retail on Westbard Avenue, our family and our neighbors end up jumping in the car and driving to Spring Valley or Tenleytown in DC, where the shopping experience and options are much better.

I appreciate all that you do for the County and ask for your support for this needed redevelopment.

Thanks,

Jon Cummings  
5025 Alland Road  
Bethesda, Maryland