

May 21, 2021

City of Fort Bragg
416 N Franklin St.
Fort Bragg, CA 95437

Re: Grocery Outlet

Dear Commissioners:

The people are speaking so please listen and unanimously approve the Grocery Outlet project.

This community will benefit from the Grocery Outlet as an alternative to shop as some of the other stores in this town need competition for incentive to improve their customer service and to offer reasonable prices for their goods. The Grocery Outlet will provide good jobs and keep money in our pockets and in our community by not having to travel to Willits to its Grocery Outlet and by providing reasonable prices.

I appreciate and thank the Grocery Outlet team for working so diligently for at least two years successfully completing every directive that has been thrown at them in order to build their project here. Please be fair to them and to our community by finally approving the Grocery Outlet store.

Thank you.

Christy Smith
Fort Bragg, CA

Commissioners for the planning department, you have to make the hardest decisions sometimes. You have the decision of voting on Grocery Outlet building a new store. How nice would it be to have another store. So many Fort Bragg residents are lower income, having another store with some bargains would be good. I think those that shop at Harvest will continue to shop there, and Safeway too. Grocery Outlet is a smaller store that offers specialty items at a lower cost. I would love not having to drive to Willits to shop there. It would be way safer, less gas and keep money and jobs here. What a concept. Thank you for keeping these words in mind when making you decision.

MAVIA OSAWA - 260 N MAIN FB
TAKAS OSAWA 250 N MAIN FB.

Planning Committee, Fort Bragg

As a local artist with a shop here in Fort Bragg, I travel back and forth to Willits more than you know. I want what is best for this community. A new Grocery Outlet is usually locally owned so it is more of a family-run business. Lower cost goods sounds great and less drivers leaving town to shop.

Grocery Outlet would provide jobs to locals and a stable business model for our town.

Please consider voting for a new Grocery Outlet in town. I don't think you or the city have anything to lose, only positives to gain.

Thanks.

Ben Lukas

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City Planning Staff, I know there were some tough decisions in the past of allowing Grocery Outlet to build 5 or 6 years ago. The new location should be an easy YES.

Please vote yes for a new Grocery Outlet that is outside the main part of town and think about what other businesses would add to our City.

We need more new businesses here, and I do not mean weed stores. What is really needed is for locals to shop locally. It doesn't do a bit of good for this city when they go to Willits or Ukiah to buy their groceries. Harvest and Safeway have their committed customers. Heck, I will still shop at those stores.

It's just that Grocery Outlet is a smaller store that offers an affordable shopping option. This will help the low income and senior residents of Fort Bragg,

Raquel Martinez

Dear Commissioners of the Planning Dept.,

In case I can't join the Zoom call when this is discussed, please make note of my wishes to allow Grocery Outlet to be built in Fort Bragg. I wish this go in immediately, as we need a new affordable store, not to mention more jobs for locals. Plus, I can't tell you how many people I see from Fort Bragg shopping at the Ukiah or Willits outlets Grocery Outlet store.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. B. C.', written in a cursive style.

Planners of Fort Bragg,

Please vote yes on the application for Grocery Outlet to build a new store here in town.

I actually can't wait for it!

I get so tired of driving to Willits and Ukiah.

Please make this happen. Thank you kindly.

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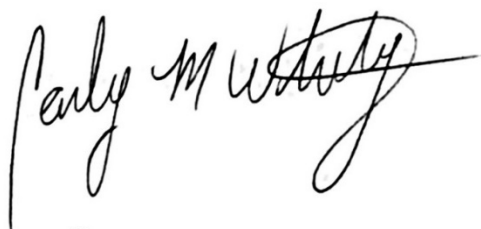
Planning Commissioners -

I know the City of Fort Bragg has been in conversations over big Box stores. Big Box has an awful sound to it, doesn't it? The city does need something. It looks a little sad and dumpy. We can't and don't live on tourist dollars alone. So, let's be real. Can we think about the people that live here? Can we have stores here so we do not have to drive to Willits that also enhance the look of Fort Bragg? Thank you for reading this.

Edgar Bamen 707-357-3842

Planners,

I want Grocery outlet, which I guess you can call it a familiar biz, which maybe most people around here do not want. However, they are all using gas, polluting the air and driving to willits to buy what we need. Please vote for change. Change in the pockets of the city and not the city of Willits, and change in the pockets of the people who live in the city. Please pass the application for Grocery outlet to go in, I am tired of hearing about. Just pass and move on to the other issues facing this city.

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Carly m whitney

FB city council, planning division:

People are getting used to shopping online, just ask any small show around here.

Most people head to Ukiah or Willits to do their big shopping. This is not good. Adding one more grocer like grocery outlet, may help with the flight of the shoppers in a small way. Please encourage local shopping and increasing our stores, otherwise, people continue to depart to make a big shopping run.

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Members of the planning commission, and FB city council:

Driving late last night from Willits is not getting any easier for me and my aging eyes.

Those of who live in Fort Bragg and the Mendocino area are in their own world.

What I would really like is to not have to drive so much. I could save gas, my carbon footprint, potential for an accident.

We are limited in the amount of growth we can do in the City. So when we have opportunities, we need to grab it.

Old people need better access to affordable and quality groceries. They also do not need to drive so much. The younger generation need basic job skills and opportunity to work. I can go on and on as to why this would be a good thing. But, you surely get the drift.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rex Quinn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with some loops and a long tail on the final letter.

Attn. Honorable FB City Planners, please read this at your March hearing under the agenda item pertaining to building a new Grocery Outlet (g.o.)

Two reasons why we need Grocery Outlet:

- What will be built than what is there now.
- Let's eliminate the drive to Willits to go to Grocery Outlet. I see neighbors in Harvest, I see neighbors at Grocery Outlet in Willets. We have so many seniors, and more to come, it just makes sense.

Thank you for taking my two comments into consideration.

Brianna

brianna.goertzen7@gmail.com

Hon. Commissioners, Planning Dept.

I will make my comments short. Everyone loves Harvest, including me. Safeway, Meh.

But I shop at Safeway out of need. I do make runs to Willits for big box shopping. I can do without the drive. But I can't do without the savings, especially these days. I would prefer having a Grocery Outlet in town. The location proposed is so much better.

LASTLY, I actually think Grocery Outlet is better than Dollar General and should not be put in the same category as Dollar General.

P.S. Thank you for reading my comments.

Stacy Whorton (707) 489-6491

Note - Please read at the PC meeting

City Council members, planning department of the City of Fort Bragg -

Here's the issue, those who sit on the City Council, the Planning Committee and staff are most likely in a lot better position financially and jobwise. There is nothing wrong with this. The point is, sometimes you have to consider what will work for those who are on public assistance.

Also, how can we stop families from driving to Willits and Ukiah to visit box stores?

Please consider voting for the Grocery Outlet here in town. This store will make the commercial area look way better than it does now. Plus, it has been in the making for so long. It's time.

Patricia Echeverria
P.O. box 2042
Fort Bragg CA 95437

Dear Fort Bragg Planning Department Staff:

Grocery Outlet has been trying to come into Fort Bragg it seems for ages. The location that is under consideration is on the corner of Harbor and Franklin Street. This slightly off the beaten path and makes sense.

This area needs a store like Grocery Outlet to revive the area. If you drive by this area, you will see dead grass, broken windows and zero jobs being created.

Adding another store will increase the competition and will lower prices, as well. I do not want to have to drive to Willits to shop at a Grocery Outlet. I vote to keep our shopping dollars in Fort Bragg.

Sincerely,

Christine Conklin
830 Myrtle St.
Fort Bragg Ca. 95437

Send a copy to the Councilmembers, Fort Bragg

Christine Conklin

530-334-3010

To - Fort Bragg Planning Department

Re: Submitting to be read during public comment

You all have the important job of taking care of the development of this city I love so much. I know you take into consideration keeping our city character intact, as well as the vitality of Fort Bragg.

We all appreciate the small quaint stores that give Fort Bragg its character. Sadly, this year has not been great for many businesses. It's also hard to predict the future. Our small stores have turned into empty store fronts and pot-shops.

I recently saw on Facebook *Grocery Outlet* wants to put in a new store. It is not even in the heart of town. Let's think about the locals who live here year-round and their needs. Also, with tax revenues shrinking, giving Grocery Outlet the green light makes a lot of sense. We need new life brought into this town. A new store off the beaten path is a good place to start.

Regards,

Handa Diane Woodcock - 707-326-2005
Dunsmuir Place Apts.

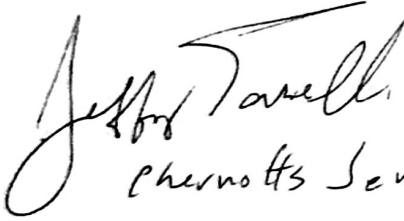
Council and Planning Committee,

As a small business owner, I probably don't have to tell you, doing business is getting tougher every day. So many of us are wondering, how much longer will the shutdowns go on? Businesses are having a hard time making payroll.

What helps businesses like mine, is not only have a strong tourist base, but also locals that can afford to spend money locally. We need a healthy work ecosystem to survive here.

As members of the planning committee and the City Council you can do so much to help the business community and residents of this great old city, we all love.

Most sincerely,


Jeff Tavel
Chernoff's Sewerys

Here we are in lockdown again. Never in my lifetime would I have thought I would see a shortage in food or toilet paper. 2020. It will go down as the Friday the 13th of years.

Rolling blackouts. Lockdowns. Quarantines. Businesses closing, except for pot-shops. Can we please bring in new opportunities to this area. And what I mean by this is, please support Grocery Outlet building a new store off the main drag. Geez, we need this.

Yours,

Mohammad Rashad Obeid

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321 W Corry St.

Fort Bragg, CA, 915437

Fort Bragg City Planner, did you have a hard time finding key items when this pandemic hit?

I did. And I do not want it to happen again.

We also experienced lockdowns.

The first time I have ever experienced this.

I also hear more electrical roll-outs are possible.

Can it get any worse?

If I was on the planning committee, it would be a simple yes to allow a new grocery outlet bargain store.

I hope you think the same.

Thank you.

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Ting Susan
32290 Rivers End Road
Fort Bragg, Ca 95437

To: The City Council and Committee and other decision makers for the City of Fort Bragg

Re: Grocery Outlet – Vote Yes

Why: I know many in this area, say we don't need another store. I have heard them. Yet, at the same time you hear them complain about the lines at Safeway or the prices at Harvest. I think there is room for one more type of store. I find that what I get at Safeway, I would never buy at Harvest and vice a versa. These stores should not worry about another smaller bargain grocery store opening. If you listen to the those on a limited income, most say "yes" I want a grocery outlet. Those same folks may not call into the planning committee to voice their opinion, or send an email. So, please keep those in our community in mind.

Chris Taughen P.O. Box 1546 Fort Bragg

To: Planning Com.

The residents of Fort Bragg vary in age and income.

If you ask one our few shop owners, they may say, we don't need a Grocery Outlet. I think anyone who says this can afford Harvest Market and Safeway. So, we think things are bad now, they may get any worse. We all can remember the days of empty shelves

To get through the planning committee, I am confident what is produced will be beautiful. And all the nay-sayers who say, leave everything as it is, will be shopping at the new Grocery Outlet too.

However, please see through the nay-sayers.

FROM:

JAMES DOWNING
James Downing
209-648-0997

FB Planners, you have been hard at work trying to figure out how to help our city. We are in rough times. We are living in a pandemic. This is a first for me. What do I want for our city, hope. I want my friends and neighbors to be able to find work, buy groceries at a reasonable price. I went shopping the other day. I can copy out of Safeway or Harvest with one bag of groceries and spend \$80 to \$45 on one bag. The food will be tasty and healthy. But, this is not sustainable for everyone, including me. I hope you approve grocery outlet. I think this store will add to our small town.

Mary Baker 358-0117

TO BE READ AT THE PLANNING COMM. CONCERNING A NEW GROCERY OUTLET

Vice Chair, Planning Commissioner Mr. Jay Andreis, Commissioners, City Council members, residents of Fort Bragg -

When these comments are read, please be open to what our city needs. We need jobs. Yes, I have heard at past meeting, minimum wage jobs are not enough or not good enough. I say, any new jobs would be helpful to young and older residents.

As costs are raised in our state, as new regulations pass, our grocery bills will go up. Let's add another option to where we can go. A new store is essential. Many thanks -

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707-813-4862

Dear Council, Planning Division,

Driving down the road today, it's a little depressing.

In my lifetime, I never thought I would see empty toilet paper shelves. We do not live in a big city. Sometimes I feel like we are our own island. More shops right about now will help get the products we need at an affordable price. Trying to be grateful in these unusual times. Let the growth and progress continue in our city.

Sincerely,

Sara Andrews 707-962-7166 311 Walnut St. Apt. 30

Dear Fort Braff Planning commission and City Council,

In case I am not at the virtual hearing, here is a letter for your review and for submission to public comment.

We have seen a lot of closures of retail. All businesses have taken a hit during COVID. How can we help our city and surrounding businesses during tough times? Not everyone can open a store, and one that can sustain possible future shut-downs.

We need to ask the questions, what businesses can help our tax base? What businesses can come in to help remove blight in Key areas?

I am writing specifically about the corner of **North Harbor and Franklin Street**. This corner is doing nothing for our city. I would ask that the City Council and Planning Commission think strongly about long term goals for the city. I have heard that **Grocery Outlet** has submitted an application. The sales tax alone will help the city. This corner of town would greatly benefit from a fresh new well-designed building.

Please consider supporting this effort. Fort Bragg and its residents will benefit.

This will not take away from the natural beauty of the area. This will bring economic vitality to the area. Your approval is greatly appreciated at this time.

LINDA JORDAN
31291 Thomas Lane
F.B
107 367-3595

The Planning Commission has a decision to vote yes or no allowing a GO, Grocery Outlet to build where the abandoned building is on S. Franklin and Harbor.

I am actually not sure why GO wants to build here, sometimes I feel like our town is dying and we are soon to be ghost town. GO may see something in this area that I do not.

It is apparent that we need more stores, more economic vitality, more jobs and better and more affordable food items. More money in the pocket of the people who live here helps the residents of Fort Bragg and City Hall. Please allow this store to be built.

End the blight in Fort Bragg now.

Everett A. Gilbert 707-357-5844

Dear Planners of FB:

As we go into more lockdowns, stay-at-home orders, can you please give us more affordable and quality shopping options. I have been hearing about Grocery Outlet for about 5 years. And in looking at this new location, I can't disagree with the delay. However, it is time to make it happen. I appreciate the store not being on the scenic HWY 1, yet far away from our downtown FB. So, it looks like everyone has done their homework, thankfully. So, with that, can you make it happen tomorrow?

Thanks.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hilde Kelley". The signature is written in black ink and has a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the name.

P.S. I love Harvest, but they do not meet all my shopping needs, and budget. I plan on still shopping at Harvest, Safeway and Grocery outlet depending on what my needs are and budget.

Honorable members of the planning committee for the city of fort bragg,

Writing a letter to you is a new thing for me. Most people like myself lead a simple life. We want affordable and quality groceries. Ask anyone with a family or a senior citizen.

Keep things simple. Vote to approve grocery outlet. Thank you for listening, reading my comments during the public comment section.

MIKE HANSON

707 489-6557

hanson@comcast.net

To whom it may concern on the Planning Comm.

Re: To be read at the hearing concerning building a Grocery Bargain Outlet

What does this city need?

Good jobs.

Better food prices.

A nicer building than what is on the site now.

A business that could potentially give back to the community. What isn't helpful, is keeping everything static, not moving forward. This year is looking to be as bad as the last. I think we better secure more food sources than less.

Antonio Mena

972-3908

Dear City Planning Department, Council members

I think it was in 2015 Grocery Outlet tried to come into our community. Fast forward to today, they are still trying. I actually think the location they are looking at today makes more sense.

I am thankful for Harvest Market. Safeway is there when I need it. I do think it would benefit locals to have another option to shop. Another store would be great for us locals.

I would imagine I would go to all three. Each meet different shopping needs.

Sincerely,

Heidi Holloway

207-972-9017

11900 Benson Lane

Fort Briggs CA 95437

To the Planning Committee,
I heard from a little bird in the neighborhood that Grocery Outlet could be
building a new store.

You know how great it will be to have another place that will be accepting job
applications? We need opportunities for just about every age group in our city.
Not to mention, the corner on S. Franklin and Harbor is a dump, an eye-sore to
put it mildly. Thank you for reading my comments.

Rob Sult

(630) 450-6051

31201 Bush Creek Rd.

Fort Buell 95437

Dear City Council and Fort Bragg Planners, and any staff who care.

Please vote yes on the application for Grocery Outlet to build.

I don't know that official name you will post on the agenda.

But whatever it is, just pass this item. This has taken way too long as it is.

Time to get it done!

Irma & Kevin Silva

266 N. Main St.

Fort Bragg, Ca. 95437

(707) 961-7004

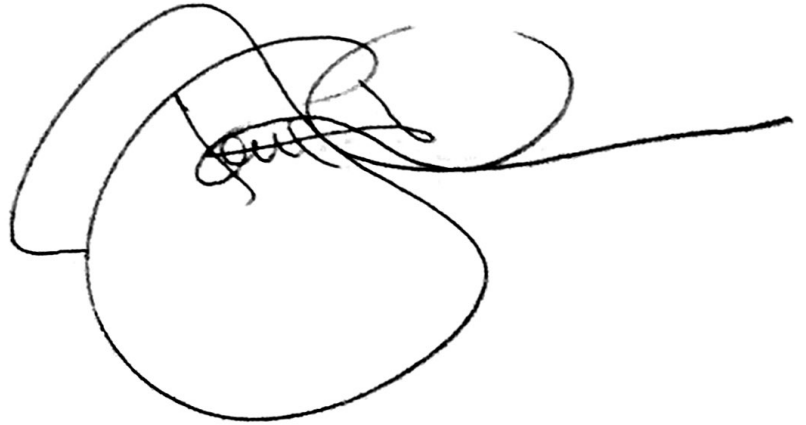
To - City Council and planners

Re - Voting on if GO, Grocery Outlet, can build here in Fort Bragg

When you have so many families choosing to stay in Fort Bragg one generation after the next, there is a reason for this. This is a special place. I think far too often we take advantage of where we live and just rely on the beauty vs. what is needed.

This is especially important now with stores closing and on occasion, shelves getting cleared out.

I think voting to allow GO to build a new store here is a good next step. It's called progress. We need jobs for locals. It makes sense to me. I hope it does to you as well.

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TAMYA KEMPEL

Planners, City of Fort Bragg,

I am going to keep it simple.

VOTE YES TO ALLOW GROCERY OUTLET TO BUILD.

Thank you,

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707 357 4779

Dear Planning Commission,

We are slightly insulated here on the coast. We are limited in so many ways. How can we continue to support our residents? I know that during these rough times, businesses have had to cut back. In one of those ways has been in hiring. We need to support thoughtful job growth.

I heard recently that Grocery Outlet is hoping to go in on S. Franklin Street. I actually think this would be a great addition to Fort Bragg, and the surrounding cities. Maybe more people will come to town then go out-of-town to shop.

I support Grocery Outlet building on 851 S. Franklin Street. So many will cheer when the dilapidated building is replaced with a new building that is adding to the area.

Thank you for considering the needs of Fort Bragg and its residents,

CC: City Council, Fort Bragg

Valentina Rozputko
SnoPlus Ebe.
707-357-3072
18603 N. Hwy 1
Fort Bragg, Ca 95437

Fort Bragg - Planning Comm

I am writing about allowing grocery outlet to build. Right now, so many people are staying at home, and we are not gathering in person. I think the people who really want it are not always the ones that are vocal. Most young people and seniors want affordable grocery choices. So, please listen to the people who don't always have a voice.

Jina Raymond

Hearing: May 26

Project: Grocery Outlet - approve

Application: cdp8-19, dr 1-19, mgr1-19

To the Fort Bragg Planning Commission and Council:

I appreciate being able to voice my opinion via a letter to you regarding the proposed application for a new Grocery Outlet store at the Corner of 851 Franklin Street.

If any Planning Commission members were not sure how this local business felt, that is so close in proximity to this possible new store, I want to make sure you know, we would very much like to see a Grocery Outlet being built at this location.

The Sea Bird Lodge is directly across the street from this proposed location. We are mainly surrounded by businesses here. Owners, customers, neighbors have had to look at the declining social services building for approximately 10 years. This dilapidated building attracts homeless, squatters, drug-users, and a lot of trash. We end up picking up the trash that blows over to our hotel. Moreover, this has been a hard year for my business.

If you were to ask me if I would want a new government building to go back in or a new Grocery Outlet, I would want a new Grocery Outlet. It would be a value to our hotel and customers, who could conveniently pick up food items. I am particularly excited there will be better lighting and legitimate business activity on this corner, which will deflect any squatters, and all they leave behind, which is not great for the environment. It would also be a plus for my family.

This has been discussed for so long. I can't imagine you saying No, after all this time of working with them, having them go through all the costly studies and reports.

Please move forward with this project. It would be so painful to see this applicant go away after two and some years of planning and spending to come to our community to only be rejected. We need this and so much more in Fort Bragg.

Again, I want Grocery Outlet to invest in our community. This will be a great addition to this part of town. I have faith the planners will ensure it has a beautiful design.

Best,



Brittney Govind
Co-Owner, Sea Bird Lodge

Sea Bird Lodge -191 South Street, Fort Bragg, CA 95437- 707/964-8000

Dear Fort Bragg City Council and Planning Commission,

I manage the Super 8 Hotel on Main Street. I am grateful to serve out-of-towners who contribute so much to the local economy and to those who may be temporarily in need of a clean room due to unforeseen circumstances.

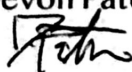
I understand that a vote will be taken on the Grocery Outlet application on the 26 of May.

At the Super 8, I have a front row window to what happens here in Fort Bragg. As you know, we are located on Main Street/Hwy 1, we expect noise. We are surrounded by businesses of all kinds, other hotels, gas station, pizza place, a huge Safeway is down the road and more. We are a mixed-use area. I *do not* expect the traffic or the noise to be any different when a Grocery Outlet is here. We are a small town with a small population base. I do think it would be much safer and nicer to have a clean, new Grocery Outlet where my guests can conveniently shop. The current building on the site is neglected and has safety issues, as well as it is a magnet for homeless. I know other nearby owners frequently call the police regarding illegal activity on that site. I want to help the homeless in town, however, I would rather my guests who are here on vacation could be spared seeing some of the irregular activity, or safety concerns.

One of the neighbors who lives across from the applicants site complains about the trucks parked on the lot. Many of those drivers sleep at my Hotel. They bring food to the City of Fort Bragg, which I think is **essential**. Moreover, many of the houses on S. Franklin are across from commercial buildings. They understand there will always be some level of noise and activity. I do not think it will be as extreme as some describe.

We are working hard to remodel our Super 8 hotel. We think it will be a better experience for our guests and will help to beautify the area. A new Grocery Outlet store would give this part of Fort Bragg a visual and safety boost. It may also mean less driving to Willits or Ukiah to shop for food for my family and the hotel. I am sure I don't need to remind city staff, it's been a challenging time for the hotel business, and in order to keep prices low, I too must bargain shop. *Lastly, here is what I would like you to consider*, we would like to see an 8-foot cement wall go up between our Super 8 and the new Grocery Outlet store. So, please make that accommodation and approve this project/application, Thank you for your consideration.

Devon Patel, General Manager



SUPER 8 FORT BRAGG CALIFORNIA
888 S. MAIN STREET, FORT BRAGG, CA 95437 - 707-964-4003

MOUNTAIN MIKES

May 19

To whom it may concern,

I am the owner of Mountain Mikes Pizza. We are happy to be serving quality pizza made by our local staff.

Being on Main Street, I catch wind of everything. The reason I am writing today, there are people who may not appreciate a "familiar" sign or a larger named restaurant. However, please remember, there are locals in each of these stores. We live here. We are part of the community. We provide jobs, pay taxes, make tasty food for my customers, and so much more.

When I hear comments regarding how traffic will change for the worse, being on the corner of Hwy 1 and N. Harbor, I just don't see it. I think this is slightly exaggerated. Even the few emergency vehicles will have a clear path to the hospital for example.

Lastly, people want their dollars to go farther. They want diversity in their stores. If we do not try to grow our city a little bit, the job base will shrink. It's a known fact, the city loses its young to outside opportunities and more affordable options once they turn 18 plus. Let's work hard to make it a place for the young, old and in between.

Lastly, Planning Commissioners, please vote yes for a Grocery Outlet.
Thank you.



Rohit Kumar

898 S MAIN STREET, FORT BRAGG, CA 95437

Hi City Planners,

Thank you for your hard work on moving the application for the grocery outlet through the process. Sound like you have left no rock unturned, to use a cliché. I am drawn to writing, because this is the first project that would really impact my life personally. For a couple reasons, one, I work across the street from the old social services offices. That building is awful. It attracts homeless, who leave a bunch of garbage. I don't think this is safe for the homeless or the community. I keep thinking they will start a random fire to stay warm and puff. All the surrounding buildings will be in jeopardy. Plus, it's not great when visitors see the homeless urinating or defecating, it's does not bode well for our area. Having a Grocery Outlet near two hotels, and other businesses is way better than anything else. So, I think it's a win, win for the surrounding businesses. So, I am going to speak optimistically. I will be so excited to have a different place to shop than Safeway. Now, Safeway has certain items I will always get there. But, having somewhere else to go, will save me driving trips to Willits. This will be awesome! Please make this happen tomorrow! It will mean a pay raise in a way. I will be able to keep more of my paycheck. Thanks for all you do for the city. Now, vote yes and let's be done! Thanks.

Laura Reidy (Hearing regarding GO 5-26)

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May - 19 - 2021 -for public hearing for new grocery outlet

I have 4 kids, 3 teens and one young adult. I used to read them the children story book, Chicken Little, where the "sky was always falling." The opponents to a Grocery Bargain Outlet here remind me of chicken little. They complain about traffic, bad air, you name it. I would like to remind these same people, who say no to just about anything new, or helpful to the lower income folks here, the sky will not fall, if Grocery Outlet goes in.

Yes, some people may not go to Safeway, but will go by Grocery Outlet. This doesn't put more cars on the street, it just means they will park in a different store parking lot.

We live in a remote. It makes our food costs super high. If a store wants to invest here, I would jump at it.

So, getting back to my family and our needs. I look at job potential for my teens, there isn't much. I look at the rental, housing and food costs and wonder, can I see a future here for me, them? I am not sure. I would like to be hopeful, because my family lives all over this county and we are stronger when we can help each other out.

Voting for a Grocery Outlet is a good start to making it better for me, and all my family members, and trust me there are a lot of us.

Have faith, the sky will not fall.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tasha Stukey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the name.

Tasha Stukey. - 357 0856


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My name is Shirley Trammel I actually thought the Grocery Outlet was a done deal until my cousin said it was coming up for a vote. I was shocked this was not approved already. I think most people around here think it's a go. Since it's not, what does it take to get things done around here?

May 15th, I turned 60. I kind of wonder sometime where the time has gone. I am living on a fixed income, I am diabetic, and have other health issues I won't go into, and no, the dollar store is not a healthy place for me to buy my food. I only say that because I have heard comments that low income residents can go to the dollar tree. Do you buy your food at the dollar tree? At this point in my life, eating healthy is life or death for me. I try to buy everything on sale at Safeway. No matter what I do, my money does not go far there. I also can't afford to go to harvest. I do go to Willits and even Ukiah to stock up.

I am not getting any younger. Driving these roads is not safe especially when it's rainy or stormy. Can you make the city livable for low-income seniors? Even the low income housing is not so low income. You have to have great credit, all the deposits up front, electricity is expensive. I

We aren't going anywhere for now. And with each passing year, more will join our senior club, more will need affordable groceries and housing. You can't have one without the other.



Shirley Trammel
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