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Dear Planning Commission,

I have worked since I was 15. I am now 71, a grandfather, and find myself living in affordable housing in Fort Bragg. I have a car and can drive myself to Willits, Ukiah to shop. I am a lucky.

There are a lot of people in my building that do not have a vehicle. Some are house bound, or use walkers, or wheel chairs. They can't drive to where there is more affordable food stores. They walk to Safeway. They can't buy much for their money there. A can of soup can cost as much as \$4.00.

Here's something very important to consider, GAS PRICES ARE GOING TO RISE. That means, FOOD COSTS ARE GOING TO GO UP. They are already high. Trust me, I know, I used to operate and drive a truck.

I am writing for myself, my neighbors, who are not likely to attend a hearing, write a letter or call-in. So, on behalf of those that are trying to live within a budget, PLEASE VOTE FOR the GROCERY OUTLET application.

By the way, I was pleased to hear about the new low-income apartments near the hospital, but where do you expect them to shop?

Sadly, when I have brought this up to my neighbors, they are afraid to raise their voice. They do not want to cause trouble. They are afraid they will get kicked out. They have nowhere to go, or any family to rely on.

They also do not have much faith you will vote to approve Grocery Outlet's application. It's a well-known fact, those with money run Fort Bragg. I can only hope you vote for those who are in need, and not with those who already have.

Thank you for your reading my letter at the 5/26/2021 hearing.

Joe a fall

Joe Allen Fall 301 Cypress Street, Apt. 221, Fort Bragg

CC: Please send to City Council members!

### May 23 2021

Hearing May 26

Dear City Council and Planning Commission,

I live on S. Franklin. I am pretty much kitty corner to the large Safeway. I have no issues with the traffic. I know the new Grocery Outlet will be smaller. Drivers/shoppers may go to the grocery outlet instead of Safeway. I don't think it will mean a ton of new cars and pollution as some may claim. I think some may be throwing these arguments on the wall like spaghetti and seeing what sticks.

I know what to expect living on a busy street. Most people who choose to live on this area with both businesses and homes know what to expect. Plus, there is always a little bit of noise form the main highway. I do not think the noise issue is the problem and it should not be an excuse to not put one it. I think the wind has been the loudest around here.

Keep in mind, we have a great little town with a lot of needs. I do think to solve these issues it will mean voting for this store and so much more.

I love being able to walk across the street to buy groceries. What I do not like are the over-priced goods.

I know what food costs. Everyone knows that Safeway is the most expensive store in California. I will still go there even in Grocery Outlet goes in. Safeway is closer and has more. It will just ne nice to have more choices.

I am not sure if this will pass. Most of us know that it's hard to change how people think here. Fort Bragg is known for being stuck in their ways.

I am writing in hopes that you will vote yes for a Grocery Outlet. It will really service those in this area that are living on government assistance.

Thanks for reading my letter.

vinny

Nicole Bray

576 S. Franklin, Fort Bragg, CA

DATE: MAY 13, 2021 FOR HEARING 5/26/21

FORT BRAGG PLANNING COMM. FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL,

I WORK AT A SMALL BUSINES ACROSS FROM SAFEWAY. I SEE PEOPLE WALK UP AND DOWN SOUTH FRANKLIN WITH THEIR ONE OR TWO BAGS OF GROCERIES. THAT MA.YBE ALL THEY CAN AFFORD OR ALL THEY CAN CARRY.

I LIKE OUR LOCAL STORES. I WILL CONTINUE TO SHOP AT THEM. BUT, FOR THOSE WHO ARE WALKING UP AND DOWN S. FRANKLIN, FOR MY FAMILY, AND SO MANY OTHERS, A NEW SMALLER STORE WITH SELECT ITEMS WOULD BE HEALTHY FOR THE PEOPLE AND FOR OUR LOCAL ECONOMY.

PLEASE VOTE YES FOR ANOTHER STORE.

SINCERELY,

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#### May 14, 21

### Planning Committee Hearing on Wed. May 26

Dear Comm. Members

I work in a medical office on South Franklin near Safeway.

I can tell you the people in my office want a Grocery Outlet to go in on S. Franklin and S. Harbor. I would really enjoy going to a different kind of store than Safeway. It can get a little monotonous not only with shopping, but going out to eat in general.

On a more serious note, I look out my office window, and see young and old walking up down the street, not because they may want to, but many do not have vehicles who live in town. On one hand it's a good think they can walk to a store. I think another place to buy food, essentials for those who can't or do not have the means to drive, and for those like myself, who just know this town has more to offer. Say, yes to Grocery Outlet, it will be a welcome addition to that part of town.

Thanks for reading this letter.

May 15, 2021

Dear Planners of City of Fort Bragg,

I have lived here for over four years. My family recently came to visit me, and they said, "oh, my gosh, you need so much in town."

I enjoy my work and being here. We could use a Grocery Outlet. Can you make it so things get approved more quickly? As my family said it so well, "we need so much" Starting with Grocery Bargain store would be good.

Alejandra - I work on main street - teléfono - 707 357 1670

City Council members and City Planning Commissioners:

I am a former resident of Paradise. Fort Bragg is my home now. I live here with my family.

I think about all the things that could have prevented that fire. Maybe because of this, I think about things, like food supply, water storage, and taking care of the needs of the local population.

Without getting too detailed, we have lived through electrical shortages, a pandemic, state wide fires, if we can learn anything from this, it's too be prepared, plan for the worse, and have more food choices. We need food security. Please support Grocery Outlet going in on S. Franklin.

Sincerely,

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James Broderick jamesjeanie@earthlink.com

To fb city council and city planning dept.

Do I care about better prices on food or a little noise?

Come to my apartment building and 99.9 percent of my neighbors want food they can afford.

I think the noise issue is a bunch of hot air. You have to expect some when you live in an area like ours.

As planners, you have to think about the entire city, not a few blow-hards - please excuse my frankness. I prefer telling it as it is.

It is not always easy getting to the dollar tree.

Thank you.

Deseree Caravalho 311 Walnut St#35 F.B. CA 95437+5233

May 20, 2021 **Grocery Bargain Store** 

May 18, 21 - agenda item - GO May 26

If we could sit, down, I would give you an ear-full on Grocery Outlet's application. But, if anyone knows me I keep it short and to the point – approve the dang thing, to put it mildly.

Folks that live in Fort Bragg, want it and it and need it. I shop at both Harvest, and Safeway, and will continue to do so if Grocery Outlet is built here.

For the most part, with Grocery Outlet, you never know what you are going to get. It has weird or unique items, that are purchased through overstock merchandise, so they are sold at a lower price. This will help me and the community. Grocery Outlet will not replace the deli at Harvest, their fresh bakery items, or their butcher shop and more. It will also not replace the standard items I get at Safeway. So quit all this fretting, and approve it.

Hope this happens, because I am not sure who will try to come to town after what you are putting these companies through just to do businesses here.

Anthony Grim, 17311 Franklin Blvd. FB, CA

May 13, 2021

Dear Fort Bragg Planning Commissioners,

Re: Grocery Outlet's Application

At first, the City of Willits, San Francisco, Mammoth all did not want a Grocery Outlet.

The City of San Francisco, have strict Familiar Business ordinances, and they now how multiple Grocery Outlets, with beautifully designed and approved stores.

One thing I know may be hard to imagine, but Grocery Outlet's do not replace your local and local organic stores.

We often do not have the same items all the time. We only have a couple types of one item. This limited selection is affordable.

In Willits, we have many low-income residents as you most likely have in Fort Bragg.

These residents will be able to purchase healthier food items.

Grocery Outlet will bring much needed jobs, training to the area.

I think one of the greatest benefits is the donations to the community.

For the community's sake, please approve Grocery Outlet's application.

Thanks,

Brock Independent Ownership and Operator, Grocery Outlet in Willits



# Please read at the May 26 hearing- thank you! Dear City Council, Fort Bragg Planning Commission,

I have worked for MCABHN, the non-profit housing program, since 2003. I have been on the front line of affordable housing and other forms of outreach during my time there. We have been a housing first program. However, we know, people need to eat to live and to carry on.

Let's address the food costs. Groceries are extremely high in our area. This can be due to the distance the trucks must travel, a lack of competition to name just a couple reasons. Let's not forget, the rows of empty shelves last year. We can see gas prices going up, prices of good will surely rise, as well. **Your job is also planning for the unexpected.** 

Having another small grocery store that has a different supply model than the other markets that is also offering lower costs goods, should be given approval. Affordable food for our low income and at-risk population that is also in walking distance to where they live is a wholistic approach in helping vulnerable populations. The food bank alone can't be the sole solution.

The decisions you make will impact potentially hundreds and possibly thousands not only in Fort Bragg, but the surrounding area for years to come. This will take leadership on your part, as well as going up against some very strong voices in town. If we keep the seniors and those without in mind when making decisions, it should be an easy yes.

Remember, you can't have affordable housing without addressing affordable food.

Most sincerely, John Weber

Telephone: 707-462-1932 - Hwy 20 - Fort Bragg, CA

Planning Committee Fort Bragg Main Street Hearing for Grocery Outlet – may 26 2021 – to read during public comments Vote yes to approve a grocery outlet

I have never written a planning committee, city council member before. Over this issue, you better believe I am going to write a letter. First, you do not know me. You do not my family, friends. We run in different circles in town. This is one reason I had to write. I actually think there is a large portion of the people who live here, and their needs are not being met by the council or planning commission. However, you all think you are doing what is best, but the outcomes actually hurt people like me. I think the council and planning members listen to those that are better off. The little people are too busy surviving. This is the perception you may not be aware of, as you move in your different circles.

You most likely drive to Harvest and Safeway to do your shopping. I drive to Willits and sometime to Ukiah to get my groceries. I have no choice.

I included a picture of myself taken at the Grocery Outlet the first weekend in may. A photo says it all. I could be spending this money locally. I would rather shop here in town. Driving to Willits and Ukiah takes gas money, time, and it's not always safe. I am interested in seeing if the city really pays attention to people like me. Vote to approve the grocery outlet application.

From. Farrah Stuckey 707-357-0152



May 26 hearing - Dear City Planners, Council member who are making decisions on behalf of everyone that lives in the City of Fort Bragg and on the outskirts.

I have never written a letter to my government officials. I am too busy trying to keep things going at home. I am surrounded by neighbors who may only really know the four walls of their little apartment. My neighbors are good people. They do not have much. We try to help each other when we can.

If you really want to do something that has a direct impact on my and my neighbors' lives, please put in a grocery bargain outlet on S. Franklin.

Thank you.

Mester Harson 700 9 by 2014 Faulters

## May 22

Dear Planning Commissioners, City Council, resident of Fort Bragg ...

This little city is home to so many who are on a limited income, including me and my family.

One of my son's is special needs. He needs a lot of care. Also, I am limited in what kind of work I can do. Those who are less fortunate need to be represented. I appreciate you trying to work on the housing issue. You must also work on the costs of goods in this small town. Too many depend on the food bank.

We want to stay in this sweet town. Help us. Help those who quiet make ends meet, help struggling families.

When people say Grocery Outlet will be a blight. This is superficial. The design department will make sure that doesn't happen. Let's address the needs of real people who live here – we need affordable food.

Karen Gallo 707-352-3101

Re: Please read at the 5/26 hearing on brnging a Grocery Outlet store to town. Planning Commission – Fort Bragg –

I want to put this in writing. I hope you read this and really think about the town and not the ones that think this town is all that ...

After hearing the Planning Commission over the past few month, my hope is that the Planning Commission members do not come to the meeting with a preconceived notion on how to vote.

If one watched the City Council meeting on the moratorium for the Inland and Coastal area, it was like watching a bullying session. Thankfully, one council member did not give in the council-splaying.

I hope that you put your bias's aside, like a sequestered jury. You have to know that when you add so many rules, regulation, you are telling businesses we do not want you, unless you jump through these very small hoops. It's just so burdensome. There are other cities and states they can go to. I hate to say it, but our city is looking like a dump. I think we have bigger fish-to-fry than giving a business so much flack for trying to bring in affordable groceries. Geez. Vote to approve the Grocery Outlet application.

Thank you for listening,

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# Please read at hearing on may 26 Date - 5 20 2021

I am disabled, every day has challenges. Not being in the best physical and financial health – makes a lot of things really hard.

I have to live with my father, who is diabetic and needs help. Either of us couldn't get by without the other.

But, one very important point I want you to really think about is - my father worked all his life – and now he is getting priced out of the town he lived, worked and raised a family in. This is serious problem when longtime residents are having a hard time making it here.

The second point I want to make, I am not sure you know this, but people are living in trailers and campgrounds, this is all they can afford. I am grateful this is an option for so may actually.

I am pleading with the voting members if they are the city council or planning committee - on behalf of my father, and myself to bring in a less expensive food store here. Hard to believe Grocery Outlet wants to come to Fort Bragg. I would not turn them down. I would treat those that want to come here – nicer, with respect and not like the bad guys. Fort bragg kind of has a bad rap in this department.

I think by saying no, you think you are doing the right thing, when actually you are directly hurting the people of lesser means. For once, can you say yes to grocery outlet

Valerie Jones ph -- 813 1460

Hola commissioners de Fort Bragg

Que? - 26 de Mayo - hearing grocery outlet on south Franklin - vote "Sí"

Por Favor vote yes to a new grocery outlet. I work 8 hours a day in Fort Bragg. Trying to grab food on break is expensive. It makes it hard to save money. I like our local restaurants. But it gets expensive. I do not save much money going to safeway. I would like to have more options to eat out and to grocery shop in town.

I know many Spanish speaking people who will not take the time to write a letter or speak out. Please consider the spanish speaking community that are too shy or just do not keep up with these kind of meetings they also work very hard. I write for me and them

Many people I know want this grocery outlet store.

Adíos y gracíus,

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Jalio Scgura número telefónico - 964-9267 - FB

City Council, Planning Commission,

Have you ever been on food stamps? Well, it's not easy.

I am grateful for the help, but it doesn't always meet my needs. The food bank is a great resource for so many. I can go to Safeway with my food stamps, but not to Harvest.

That is okay, because they would not go far there. Heck, it doesn't go far at safeway either.

When I mentioned this to one person the other day that I thought the grocery outlet would be good. She said I could drive to Willits.

Well, how do you think that makes me feel and so many others who need a store like that here? I will tell you, not great. Hope you are listening. Hope it turns it into a positive vote for grocery outlet.

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Best way to reach me: <u>monsteroil@yahoo.com</u>

My family and I don't always have dependable transportation.

We want to walk or bike to the store.

Please allow for a new GO Bargain Outlet to go in – in the old social services building.

Safeway is very expensive. We are grateful we can walk there. Would be nice to have a little bit of competition between those stores.

We know prices will be lower at GO. Maybe this would force safeway to come down in their prices.

Please keep those that don't have much in mind when you vote. Having stores we can walk to will keep the air clean in fort bragg. Thank you.

311 Walnut Street apt 2 Fart Bragg CA - Misha Marandi

I live very close to the where they want to put the new Grocery Outlet store.

- We have a lot of Spanish speaking families who do not have many resources, they walk to the store.
- We also have a lot of people who live in multi-generational households because that is all they -have-no choice.
- The affordable housing units are notall affordable. It is just a real struggle for so many here.
- We all hear a little noise, having one more store on the block will not mean a ton more noise in my neighborhood. Plus, we live so close to the freeway, it's not an argument to keep a more affordable store to go in.
- Thank you for your yes vote.

Yoyd Middleton 311 Walnut apt 1 Fort Bragg Col 9543

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#### Grocery outlet hearing

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I know why I have to write this letter today. Because I don't think City staff would support a grocery outlet unless people like me speak out. One just has to look at the city to see nothing new happens here, except maybe adding a pot shot. I am sorry to sound so cynical, but I think the idea of protecting the owner of harvest, I forgot his name, may be more important to staff that what is best for a large segment of people in and around town. Please support this new store.

311 Walnut St Apt 50 Forf Bragg, CA 254137

May 22

Planning Commission. I have a question, now don't take this wrong, but how is it that it can so long to get a new store in the city of fort bragg?

I remember when neighbors fought to have the dollar tree go in. I actually think the location is better where it is at. However, it is important to have a dollar tree in town. Those without Jobs can buy a lot with their money. Having a grocery outlet will be even better, the food is healthier.

There are reasons why we needed a dollar tree and why it is full all the time. People are trying to save a buck. Having the grocery outlet so close to affordable housing units is actually genius on the part of City Planners. This is way better than the last proposed location. Plus, it will offer those living in the poverty level affordable meals. Safeway may take a financial hit. However, the grocery outlet will have bargains and is closer.

You all are really thinking about the less fortunate so thank you for making this happen.

The neighbors will survive. I will. I think we live off the freeway, near commercial – so I am used to it.

Thanks.

311 walnut st #20 fort Bragg/

Dear Commissioners, Council, Staff,

Comments for Planning Meeting on May 26 - application for Grocery Bargain Outlet

I was looking online at a petition to stop the Grocery Outlet. I am sure it will be brought up at the hearing. As you see their online signatures, keep in mind, It was started by a mystery person who is not putting their name to it.

There are so many false claims on the position, it's hard to take it seriously.

-It talks about 100's of new car trips. That is a ridiculous argument.

-It mentions the busy entrance at Noyo Harbor – are you serious? They may get much needed business if Grocery Bargain store comes to fruition.

-It talks about more traffic on Main. I live here and I just don't see the traffic issue. People shop at such random times, on weekends, and some residents walk to the store. --Grocery Outlet gives back to the community. So actually, more donations will be available if Grocery Outlet's is approved, constructed and open for business.

I could go on - on the false information on this petition is pretty apparent to most who read it.

Vote to approve. I would see if you really want to preserve historic Fort Bragg, focus on the dingy buildings on Main Street. Can you give them some financial incentive to remodel?

Do not fall prey to holier-than-thou mentality that is rampant in this little town.

Approve - Grocery Outlet's application.

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Dear Planning Commissioners, Fort Bragg City Council,

I have lived in Fort Bragg over 40 years. I have had a couple professions in this area. I am most proud of woodsman. I was also a mushroom buyer.

At 86 and being diabetic, my health issues consume most of my day. I live on a fixed income. Sometimes, it doesn't seem so fixed, it feels like it is getting smaller. These are serious issues for me.I am not alone. With all due respect, it's time for the Grocery Outlet to go in on South Franklin. It's the right thing to do.

Sincerely,

Louis Hosier

Mr. Louis Hosier 436 South Whipple, Fort Bragg, CA