



April 16, 2002

Mr. Kevin Foy, Mayor Town of Chapel Hill 306 N. Columbia Street Chapel Hill, NC

RE: Town of Chapel Hill Design Ordinance

Dear Mayor Foy and Town of Chapei Hill Council Members:

The purpose of this letter is to recommend the Town of Chapel Hill include in the Town Design Ordinance re-write the provision for approval and construction of community pharmacies with drive in window capability.

As a Chapel Hill resident and developer for more than thirty years, I have researched the market and the necessity for this concept to be incorporated into the Town of Chapel Hill Ordinance. The current need and service provided by a community type pharmacy with drive in window would be welcomed by many Chapel Hill residents. This concept would offer overall convenience to the recent increase of retired individuals relocating to this area and the numerous medical related services and their patients. The Town of Chapel Hill has an opportunity to provide this type of service through the overall design ordinance re-write.

I personally know of several areas in Chapel Hill that could allow development for a reputable pharmaceutical store like CVS, Walgreen's or Eckerd's. The approval and inclusion of this recommendation would encourage these businesses to operate in Chapel Hill and thereby contributing to our tax base and retaining sales tax revenues.

Thank you for your consideration in advance and hopefully you can respond to this recommendation in a positive manner.

Dennis H. Howell

DHH/ph

cc: Town of Chapel Hill Council Members

Mr. Cal Horton, Town Manager

Mr. Roger Walden, Director CH Planning Department

Mr. John Hawkins, Chairman CH Planning Department

Ms. Gay Eddy, CH Planning Department

Mr. Phil Post, Phil Post Associates

Mr. Aaron Nelson, Director Chapel Hill Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Scott Maitland, President, Chapel Hill Chamber of Commerce