

SUMMARY OF PLANNING BOARD ACTION

Subject:

Village Plaza Shopping Center Renovation - Application for a Special Use

Permit

Meeting Date:

September 3, 2002

Recommendation:

That the Council approves the application for the Village Plaza Shopping Center Renovation, as recommended in the Staff Report dated September 3, 2002, subject to the following changes:

- Construction for Phase I is completed within 5 years and construction for Phase II is completed within 10 years from the date of approval.
- Maximum floor may include up to 24,840 square feet of residential floor area.
- Wheel stops shall be installed for parking spaces perpendicular to the sidewalk along Elliott Road.
- Park and Ride spaces shall be reserved between 6:00 am and 6:00 pm Monday through Friday.
- Minimum number of bicycle parking spaces shall be 48 and shall be distributed proportionally around the site.
- Alternate Type "A" bufferyard may be installed along Elliott Road in front of the proposed 2,000 square foot building.
- Stormceptor units may be replaced with a similar Best Management Practice design.

Vote:

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Aye: Scott Radway, Sally Greene, Coleman Day, Timothy Dempsey, Thatcher Freund, Nancy Gabriel, Ruby Sinreich.

Nay: Gay Eddy, Suzanne Haff

Reasons for Dissenting Votes:

<u>Parking</u>: Both dissenting board members agreed that the proposal did not include an adequate number of parking spaces. They also expressed a concern with overflow parking from the proposed development spilling into the Whole Foods shopping center parking area.

<u>Development Intensity</u>: Both members stated that the proposal created too much density on the site. One member expressed a preference for a greater mix of uses, including more residential use and less impervious surface area.

Special Use Permit Finding: Because of the development intensity and parking issues, one board member felt that the proposal did not meet the Special Use Permit Finding #1, regarding health, safety and general welfare.

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