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RE: BI Realty LLC (ANX24-45690, LUC24-45691, ZON24-45692)

Dear City of Ocala,

At your next meeting you will be discussing options for the RaceTrac site plan at 4040 Silver Springs, Ocala, FL. I and others in the area are very concerned about the suggestions that this site could be used to build a mega station, with repercussions on the whole of our small town.

We have been proud to have a thriving station in the heart of our community and supply fuel to others in the local vicinity; as part of our community, I hope you will take note of the concerns of local people for their economic environment and look for other, less damaging uses for this site.

We have large supermarkets within a few miles in each direction and if another is built here, we fear the heart of Silver Springs/Ocala will be destroyed to enable the flow of deliveries and traffic to the store.

The new supermarket may bring some jobs, but it is likely to put existing ones in jeopardy. Shoppers coming to the new mega station are likely to do all their shopping under the one roof and then go home. This would be to the detriment of the small quality station which has long been established; and whose employees work hard themselves.

We are in opposition to the proposed building of a gas station at the subject site 4040 Silver Springs, Ocala, FL. Please do not allow this application to allow a RaceTrac to be built on this site (or any similar application).

Thank you for your valuable time and consideration of the above.


Mahesh Shah
CEO