



May 13, 2026

Ms. Emma Martin
Associate Planner, Arlington County
Department of Community Planning, Housing and Development
2100 Clarendon Boulevard
Arlington, VA 22201
Re: Site Plan Amendment for 1101 S. Joyce St (SPLA26-00005)

In reviewing the updated site plan amendment request, CCCA's position remains unchanged.

Until proven otherwise, by market circumstances beyond our control, we need a large 40k+ sq. ft., full-service grocery store in WestPost. This essential facility does not currently have the same financial challenges that other recently closed locations did and even if grocery stores are facing an uphill financing landscape, it is currently a core part of the urban fabric that encourages walking and biking for commuting, recreation, shopping, and other errands.

CCCA continues to support the request to remove the requirement for a drug store at Westpost with no change in the grocery store requirement of site plan condition 52. We would request the county board rapidly approve a smaller store footprint request in the future, only if the Harris Teeter is forced to initiate a location closure.

Sincerely,

Tarsi Dunlop
President CCCA

CC:
Arlington County Board Members
Mark Schwartz, County Manager
Arlington Ridge Civic Association
Aurora Highlands Civic Association
Crystal and Pentagon Cities Council
CCCA Board