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Sent: Wednesday, May 4, 2022 2:46 PM
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Subject: FW: Menards Neighborhood Advisory Committee Letter BZZA-22-00098

FYI – as requested by the Granville Advisory Committee this morning.

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Dear Members of the Board,

Menards discussed the proposed expansion of the storage facility with the neighborhood advisory committee on two separate occasions. The committee did vote to support the storage expansion project but with the condition that as the mall and neighborhood redeveloped, Menards would work with the city and other businesses to convert some or all of the storage space back to a different use with a more commercial focus. If there is a demand for that space and the terms are agreeable to both Menards and that future user Menards is in agreement with that request. We understand there is no timeline on that development but we will work on that as those opportunities arise. The desire to expand the storage will allow Menards to make use of this vacant parking area and enclose it to prevent the illegal parking and dumping. That solves a problem for Menards and the neighborhood as the area looks better. However Menards has a strong desire to see more business development in this neighborhood and will consider any development proposal for this lot as well as work closely with the city to encourage development on all properties surrounding the mall space.

Also discussed in the committee meeting was the long history Menards has in hiring local residents and training them to grow within Menards as they learn new skills and grow their careers. Menards will continue that practice of hiring the local residents to work at the store.

Menards was asked in the committee meeting to work on more community involvement such as parades or fairs and Alderwoman Lewis was going to provide more information on those opportunities so they can be reviewed with the corporate operations team and the store managers as those events come up.

I wanted to make sure you received this update as part of the BOZA request as the support of the local community is important to us. Thank you.

Tyler Edwards
Menard, Inc.

Sent from my Galaxy