

public comment - drive through ordinance

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Hello,

I hope you are all doing well. I'm unable to attend the meeting tonight but wanted to comment on the drive through ordinance agenda item.

During the last planning meeting, it was suggested that we continue the drive through discussion on a greater scale. Mr. Struzik commented on the idea of a more connected, walkable and bike-able community. He posed the question, "maybe we aren't a drive through community" and I echo this sentiment. While I understand the planning committee is looking at following trends in terms of drive throughs; I'd like to see Rochester Hills become more of a trend setter rather than a trend follower in this area.

While I understand the desire for revenue, please consider that drive throughs have detrimental impacts on citizen well being and the environment. We have so many drive throughs already with more applications on the table. I believe that supporting more *non* drive through businesses will help our community to curb emissions, reduce litter, improve pedestrian safety and enhance walkability.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Melanie Martin

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