

Hello,

I have read a lot of the literature of the General Plan Update and it has not mentioned One-Stop-Shopping at all. If we are to follow Europe's example, particularly Britain and cities like London, we need to emphasize the need for One-Stop-Shopping Centers in vital neighborhoods. Locally, they are called boroughs, and in these areas, there are locations for a consumer to find all their needs within walking, jogging, or biking distance. In their older neighborhoods or where land has limited commercial expansion for big box retailers, there is no other alternative but to promote local businesses and businesses located within neighborhood corridors because people have no other place to go. As a society that is being crippled by pollution and gasoline prices, we need to emphasize the need for one-stop-shopping centers when there are no other locations to choose from. There are grocery stores in the neighborhood that need to be updated and brought up to the times. Smart Growth and Mixed Use development are key to helping fight wastage of our natural resources.

Compact development, and the ability to have a one stop shop is key to our sustainability and future. Along with that, Green Business needs to be pushed more, and leniency should be given to those that make the effort to go green as it is costly. Neighborhood Development and New Growth should make its way towards a healthier and smarter community. If one follows suit, then others shall follow as well. One good business leads the domino effect towards others. This should be a city wide project and southeast Sacramento is in desperate need for more grocery stores with less prices. I hope this information helps. I would heavily suggest we follow Britain's example of efficiency since they have to pay twice as much for gas and have experience with it already more than we have.

Sincerely,
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