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From: Dave Traci Jolie Jenna <dtjjwhite@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2021 10:06 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Appeal of Chevron at Algonquin and Davenport

Hello,

We have lived in Huntington Beach for 20 years and in the mainland Harbour area for 8 years on Westport Drive. We completely oppose the Chevron zoning modification. We've been getting cars washed there for a long time and it used to be a very cute gift type shop which we enjoyed picking up items while waiting for the car to be done. Now it's a regular c-store and while we do not enjoy the new format as much, we do not mind it. However, we are totally opposed to the hard liquor license. There are so many places to buy alcohol within a few mile range that it's completely unnecessary. This is a residential neighborhood and there is no need for that type of establishment. Please revoke that license.

Thank you,

Dave and Traci White 17072 Westport Drive

Huntington Beach, CA 92649

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From: funboat@verizon.net <funboat@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 10:27 AM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Appeal of Plan amendment No 21-002 Chevron Convenience Market

Subject: Appeal of the Zoning Administrator's approval of entitlement Plan amendment No 21-002 (Chevron Convenience Market)

Sirs:

We are vehemently opposed to have the city permit the Chevron gas station at the corner of Algonquin & Davenport to expand their business hours to 24/7, expanding a convenience store to sell goods 24/7, and sell liquor from 6 am to 2 am. The stated reasons by the owners are to cater to local and regional demand and meet residents needs. Nothing could be further from the truth. Huntington Harbour residents have been getting along without this expansion for almost 60 years, and we will continue to do so in the future. We don't need to buy gas at midnight, liquor at either 6 am or 1 am, and a bag of chips at 3 am. This is nothing but greed by the owners, and the city of Huntington Beach to get a few more sales tax dollars.

The reasons for requesting denial of this permit are the following:

- 1. The community does not need these services
- 2. The store would be located within 100 feet of residences and threaten our quiet community
- 3. Expanding the hours of liquor sales until 2 am increase alcohol-related harm
- 4. It would only draw people from outside our community and will increase criminal activity, prostitution and drugs.
- 5. Traffic at the intersection of Warner/Algonquin/Davenport is already dangerous, and more accidents will certainly occur because of this.
- 6. The values of homes in the surrounding community will certainly be diminished.

We ask the city of Huntington Beach to do the right thing, which is also what you promised to do when you became a member of the HB government: **Protect our community, help safe lives, keep Huntington Beach a beautiful place to live. Please do not permit this expansion to happen!**

We thank you for allowing us to have a voice. This message may be read at the zoning hearing.

Al and Elfriede Geiger 17001 Westport Drive Huntington Beach, CA 92649 714-846-6103

Cc: City Counsil Members

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From: adguardi@gmail.com <adguardi@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, July 24, 2021 11:53 AM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Chevron Convenience Market - Entitlement plan amendment 21-002

Huntington Beach City Planning Commission,

I'm writing to voice my disapproval of enabling the Chevron gas station located at Algonquin and Davenport to sell hard alcohol and having business hours beyond 1 AM.

Thank you,

Andre Guardi HB citizen since 2000

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From: Barbara Simone <chefess@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 2:11 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Gas station in Huntington Harbour

It;s most unusual to put a liquor store in the middle of a neighborhood. There is a bar across the parking lot. a Trader Joes and restaurants in the shopping center. Do we need more? The local residents will not patronize so it will be transients and drunks roaming our neighborhood, discarding bottles and urinating on our properties. And there is a direct way out of the Harbour from Edgewater to the beach. Please reconsider the consequences to allowing this to happen.

Barbar Simone. Barbara Simone <u>chefess@verizon.net</u>

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From: Benjamin Urbina <eleuthera23@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 2:00 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Gas Station a big safety concern

As residents in the HB harbor we are strongly opposed to this gas stations plans to sell liquor. There is already a growing problem with crime in our area and this will exponentially put our neighborhood at further risk. The problem of drug proliferation and prostitution in the area will only get worse, much worse. Consider the quality of life your decision will have on the children and families in the harbor. Respectfully Yours,

Benjamin Urbina

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From: Betty J <stephamaria007@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 1:11 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Appeal of Chevron hard liquor license

To: Commissioner Mandic

l live on Courtney Lane wihin sight of the Chevron Station in question. I have lived at this address for 34 years, 50 years in HB.

In 1971, Dr. Donald Shipley, former mayor, was one of my professors at CSU Long Beach. He was so proud that the city had obtained land for 59 parks and golf courses so the residents could have good lives in the future.

My how things have changed. Against the will of the residents, the city wants to force the residents to change zoning laws already established by the city. Why? So people can make money selling hard liquor during extended hours. Many people have lost money during the pandemic but are not putting others in danger so we can make a living.. And alcohol is a toxic liquid not necessary for survival..

Also, this local access to hard liquor would make it harder for the residents of the two halfway houses on Courtney Lane to stay off alcohol .Doesn't the city want to improve their chances of sobriety?

There is already a large Chevron sign at the blind left hand turn lane at the corner, and cross traffic is zoned t 35 mph. Added to the easy alcohol access and possibility of drinking in cars, the amount of traffic accidents could easily increase. Would the city share responsibility in this?

I have been rear-ended by drunk drivers twice and have permanent spinal damage from these incidents. I hope you

can decline this proposed zoning change and keep the neighborhood safer.

Thank you.

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Sincerely,

Betty Jelen M.D.

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From: carol crawford <caroljc1172@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2021 4:46 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Chevron Station Application for Liquor License at Mini Market

I am one of the many property owners wishing to make the Commission aware of the significant concerns regarding this item that will be on the Planning Commission agenda on Tuesday, July 27.

I hope to be able to attend and even speak if there is time. But I wanted to memorialize my objection to this application. The key points for my objection:

1. The sale of hard liquor at a convenience store attached to a gas station is unusual, if not nonexistent, in our city. The location is across the street from two multi-unit housing family complexes and at the entrance to a large number of Huntington Harbor neighborhood single family homes of significant property value. There is also an elementary school as well as a park just down the street adjacent to another multi-unit housing condo complex.

2. The gas station is on the perimeter of a small shopping mall containing a Trader Joe's, where they sell a full liquor inventory, and a restaurant with a full bar. There is no lack of opportunity for customers to obtain hard liquor. There are also many liquor stores within a 2 mile radius. (This information has been supplied to the Zoning Committee as well as the Planning Commission.)

3. The inclusion of hard liquor as a product at the convenience store at the gas station will most certainly serve as a magnet. If it were not believed to bring significant sales, it is reasonable to presume that the owner would not pursue the licensure and make the last- minute modifications in the interest of gaining approval through this process. It is also reasonable to envision significant advertising and signage

prominently featuring the liquor availability to bring customers to the store. Increased traffic in this neighborhood, which is already experiencing a high level of traffic accidents and congestion, is a safety risk for which no reward can be seen given the lack of need for additional availability of this product line.

4. The owner proceeded initially in a rather vague fashion (which some of us feel was intentionally deceptive) misstating the nature of the request put to the City approval process, representing it as an ownership change rather than a shift from beer and wine to hard liquor, which is a major change of level of licensure. The application for the modified licensure submitted to the City was not supported by community members; the names were in some cases illegible, and no addresses were noted. The objections from a large number of homeowners who wrote to the City Council zoning committee, with their full names and addresses included, were summarily dismissed without discussion and the request put to a vote. My personal theory is that the prospect of bringing in revenue from the license fee and increased sales taxes to the City diminished or erased the significance of the community members' pleas. The owner of the establishment in question is not a resident of Huntington Beach. He is a businessman who has continued efforts in other neighborhoods in this city and in other cities to obtain similar licensure with similar revenue enhancements. I can theorize that the City Council intends to approve all licensure requests from this business owner because bringing additional revenue to the City is viewed favorably. In Santa Ana, for example, he has taken his request as far as litigation, which is in progress, which would override the direct efforts by those community residents with concerns that echo those you have heard from the Huntington Harbor community. I believe that each request should be considered carefully in the context of the individual communities impacted by this business owner.

5. The Huntington Harbor community has already been experiencing an increase of drug sales and use, and prostitution activity, that has not been dealt with effectively by the Huntington Beach Police Department. The Huntington Harbor community just across from this gas station offers several effective hiding places where people can escape notice. It has also become increasingly littered with trash including liquor bottles and even a (accidentally, presumably) discarded large container of crystal meth in and around the front yards of large family homes! The location of the car wash and the liquor store, on such a large footprint, could easily become a popular gathering and hiding place for illicit activity in the later hours if the store remains open instead of closing at 10:00 p.m. as it does now.

It is logical to imagine that increased traffic and patronage of a convenience store that would sell hard liquor could only add to the detrimental nature of these activities and give the Police Department even more trouble to deal with.

I hope this summarizes the most important points of our community's objection to the attempt to obtain a license to sell hard liquor at that location. The store hours, while the 24-hour original request has been modified, are still increased in the present application over the hourly schedule currently in place. We remain concerned regarding the continued deterioration of safety issues in our community. We must also mention that if crime and safety issues rise, property values are threatened. That is also of financial concern to the City.

I respectfully ask that the Planning Commission reject the store owner's application for the liquor license as well as the increased store hours.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.

Sincerely, Carol Crawford 16960 Algonquin St. Pelican Cove Homeowners Assn President

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From: Carole Heidary <carole.heidary@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 1:24 PM

 To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>; larry.weisenthal@gmail.com; marilyn wong <momwong@hotmail.com>; carole heidary <carole.heidary@gmail.com>
 Subject: Appeal of Chevron Hard Liquor License (corner Algonquin and Davenport~HB Harbour

17092 Courtney Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92649 July 27, 2021

HB Planning Commission Meeting of 7/27/2021

RE: Appeal of Chevron Hard Liquor License Location: Davenport and Algonquin in Huntington Harbour

Dear Planning Commission:

I am opposed to the construction of a new convenience store and a zoning modification for the Chevron gas station owner. I oppose a zoning modification to allow for liquor sales in a new 7-11 style market.

The proposed hours for gas and liquor sales are 6 am - 11 pm every day.

KEY POINT

This would create an immediate impact on the public welfare of the neighborhood.

The new convenience store would cause a problem for the residents of this quiet neighborhood

Because it would encourage patronage of the store for liquor purchases, especially in the late

evening. This can cause late-night drinking and driving which can result in more accidents to

pedestrians and other automobiles. The increased traffic will impact the area whih wikl "interfere with residents quiet enjoyment of their property." Young adult drinkers can become

boisterousk noisy, and combative. Older drinkers will be more prone to accidents, resulting

in manslaughter. These are both very dangerous outcomes. In addition, the sale of alcohol

an impede judgement, making driving more erratic and dangerous to the resident in the area.

(B.&Prof.Code 23789).

For this reason and many others, I strongly oppose the appeal

Ciao,

Carole D. Heidary

Isela Siordia Administrative Secretary Department of Community Development City of Huntington Beach 714-536-5271

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-----Original Message-----From: cheewhz@verizon.net <cheewhz@verizon.net> Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 11:45 AM To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org> Subject: Alcohol license application Chevron Stn

We are totally against having a license for alcohol added to our local Chevron Gas Station. There are enough stores within the immediate area that alcohol can be purchased. Please do not allow another one. Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Siordia, Isela
To:	Nguyen, Tess
Subject:	FW: Chevron Station Item: Appeal of the zoning administrator"s approval of entitlement plan amendment No. 21- 002 (Chevron Convenience Mart)
Date:	Tuesday, July 27, 2021 1:11:09 PM

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From: Chris Bures <bures_chris@yahoo.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 1:09 PM

To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>

Subject: Chevron Station Item: Appeal of the zoning administrator's approval of entitlement plan amendment No. 21-002 (Chevron Convenience Mart)

Dear Members of the Planning Commission,

This is the third(I think, maybe more) letter I have written along with attending the last meeting and distributing fliers to let community members know about the liquor store/car wash proposal that is about to destroy our neighborhood. I am sharing this information with you because I am far from alone in my efforts. The news of this easily avoidable hazard becoming reality has been met with nothing but opposition from the people who live in the community. I have met virtually no one who is in favor of this proposal and with good reason. I will state these reasons below. However, what I wish to point out here is that it appears that despite the best efforts of the community to stop this from moving forward, move forward it does. If this business is approved it will benefit one individual who doesn't even live in the community and it will harm all of those who do. Further, the community has followed the rules and spent an enormous amount of time and effort to stop this approval from taking place. The individual who owns the business has done the opposite. They have used misleading ad deceptive notices to mask the true nature of their proposal from the community. They have

failed to attend hearings and changed the terms of their proposal at the last moment in what appears to be an effort to wear down and deceive the community who opposes them. At this point it is hard for me to understand why tax paying, community members who are supposed to be represented by their elected officials continue to find the decisions made with regards to this proposal go against them and in favor of this "mystery" individual. I also fail to understand why there is such a pressing need to approve the addition of a Hard Liquor convenience store to a gas station/car wash located in a QUIET RESIDENTIAL community? This business, if approved, would almost be operating in one of my neighbors backyards. I would add that is also located in close proximity to an elementary school with a crossing guard no less? Are we in desperate need of hard alcohol? It does not appear to be the case. Trader Joe's already provides that product in the same shopping center and the restaurant directly next to the car wash does as well. Further, there are numerous liquor stores located nearby but these stores are appropriately located in well lit strip malls in business locations on major thoroughfares: PCH, Warner, etc. As you are members of the planning commission I am hoping that merely the planning aspect of this proposal should be enough to stop it from going forward. If approved it will virtually destroy a peaceful, quiet, residential community and turn it into one that will experience increases in prostitution, drug and alcohol abuse, homelessness and automobile accidents. The corner of Warner and Algonquin already experiences a tremendous amount of this kind of activity due to the sharpness of the turn and the speed of the traffic that travels on it. Do we really need to add to this danger by adding an unwanted and unneeded liquor store right next door? Again, I would hope that would not be perceived to be a "good plan" for the community.

However, with all this being said, it would appear that the mystery owner already he believes his proposal in the bag. I did a Google search this morning and it popped up advertising it's new "Extra Mile" convenience store with hours of operation until midnight .By the way, those hours are not part of this proposal. He tried to get them passed earlier at a previous meeting and actually reduced them at the 11th hour in an attempt to fool the community into accepting his proposal. I am assuming he can just switch his hours at will once this deal is done? Looks like yet more deception. All said, it would appear that the mystery owner feels you have already decided the outcome and are in favor of his proposal. I am hoping that is incorrect and that you will do the right thing by denying this unfair, absurd and dangerous proposal.

I am noting once again below the reasons the community opposes this approval:

-There is no need for, benefit to or desire from the community to have this business. Quite the contrary. While other liquor stores are located in well lit commercial strip malls, this one would be on a corner in the middle of a quiet residential community filled with families, seniors and children. This business would bring noise, traffic, crime and hazardous behavior to an area that is currently quiet and safe. In fact, it is planning to open its doors within only a few feet of one of our residents homes! There are already several liquor stores in existence very close to this new proposed one. What we don't need is another one right next door. Further, I have not found another car wash/gas station liquor store combination operating elsewhere. Seems like that is a bad combination. Certainly not what was originally approved when the car wash was built.

-The proposal only went through as a result of deception and a lack of transparency by the owner on their intent. The new owners posted deceptive signage that never properly alerted the community as to the fact that he wanted to put a 24 hour liquor/convenience store at the gas station/car wash. As a result, we were deprived of our opportunity to stop it early on. This is patently unfair and I believe should be illegal.

-The location is near a very dangerous corner where accidents occur on a regular basis (It feels like almost monthly.). Often times the individuals involved in the accidents drive off of the road into the trees near our homes. We do not need to add a liquor store to this dangerous mix. It is a big enough problem as it is now.

I hope you will read this letter and side with the community. It is extremely unfair and unjust that one person can sneak their proposal through in a deceptive way and thus be allowed to ruin the of life quality of life of an entire community while at the same time profiting from this bad behavior.

Thank you in advance for listening and for your consideration.

Best,

Chris Bures

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From: Chris Casillas <flyliner1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 1:29 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Opposition to Liquor Sales at Chevron

I would like to formally add my opposition to the proposed zoning modification at the Chevron gas station located on the corner of Algonquin and Davenport in Huntington Harbor. I live on Edgewater Lane in close proximity to the Chevron station and I believe we do not need another gas station selling alcohol, especially in a family neighborhood such as ours. There are plenty of places nearby for adults to have alcoholic beverages. By granting permission to the owners of the gas station to sell 'carry out' hard alcohol late into the night is simply inviting more crime into our family neighborhood. There is absolutely no redeeming value to this proposal for the residents who live nearby with the exception of the gas station owner attempting to profit by the deterioration of our neighborhood. I urge you as a leader in the community to do what is right and stand with us in opposition to this attempt to maximize profits at the expense of the residents you represent.

Thank you for your understanding in this urgent matter.

Chris Casillas 17019 Edgewater Lane Huntington Beach CA 92649

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From: eealbeg@aol.com <eealbeg@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 10:26 AM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Chevron Hard Liquor License

We must ask ourselves what kind of world we want to leave our children. Do we want a safe and secure environment for them or one based on money, business profit and city tax revenue with little regard for the welfare of children who have no voice? Are we not all collectively involved in this world down to the individual and neighborhood level? Do we not take collective responsibility for our children whether or not they are ours or belong to another family? Do the children of our neighborhood have any choice other than to rely on a responsible adult population? It has become clear that local citizens are slowly losing their rights to make decisions for their children and relying instead on local businesses and planning commissions to make those decisions for them. Which path should we choose? It's not about business profit. Neither is it about tax revenue. Parents are beginning to realize that they are losing control to businesses who they otherwise enthusiastically support and to planning commissions who are supposed to support them. We beg Chevron to not take a stand against parents who desperately want to protect their children. We beg the planning commission to consider whether tax revenue trumps parents desire to raise their children in a manner that they see fit. Our children are trusting you to do the right thing. They will be here much longer than us and must be given their own choices for their own future after we are all gone. Please turn to God and return the correct decision.

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-----Original Message-----From: Diana Urbina <urbinafam8@gmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 2:00 PM To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org> Subject: Chevron in harbor

Please don't allow the gas station to sell liquor.....we already have enough problems with gangs and graffiti going up in the neighborhood. There are many places already selling liquor nearby! Thank you!

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-----Original Message-----From: Elaine Parker <epmmrp1@gmail.com> Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 12:38 PM To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org> Subject: Amendment 21-002 - Chevron Convenience Market

As a long time resident of Huntington Beach and in particular Huntington Harbour, we request that you disapprove Amendment 21-002 - Chevron convenient market item on tonights agenda.

This placement of a convenience store that sells alcohol until 11pm in a residential neighborhood is an abhorrent idea. There is Harbour View Elementary School within two blocks and children walk back and forth to school. Situated next to Harbour View School is our local park and children's playground. We are concerned that alcohol being sold so close to these areas, will negatively impact the traffic in and around the school and park and playground.

Further, there are several places in the vicinity where alcohol is already sold - Albertsons at Bolsa China and Heil, Liquor store on Warner, liquor store at Bolsa Chica and Heil, convenience store at Bolsa Chica and Edinger. We certainly do not need another one.

Our largest concern, is that this particular store is in an residential neighborhood and certainly will bring in more traffic and that corner of Algonquin and Warner has seen its share of auto accidents over the years and does not need any more - especially with the sale of alcohol.

Bill and Elaine Parker

planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org by 2:00 PM on the day of the meeting.

tnguyen@surfcity-hb.org>

7/27/21 Re: Chevron Gas Station Hours & Liquor Sales

Dear Planning/Zoning Commissioner and City Council,

I appreciate the notice for extending hours for a local business. Unfortunately I will be out of town and not able to present my objections in person, please take a moment to read my response.

I have lived across the street from this gas station for 20 years, and purchase my gas there.

These are my concerns and observations:

The gas station in question is located on the corner in a residential neighborhood (Algonquin/Davenport). The shopping center block it occupies is near a Trader Joes market that closes at 9pm and another restaurant named the Rack House that closes at 2am some evenings. I will affirm the Rack House customers may be noisy when leaving, I can easily hear from my home at night, adding a late night liquor market will increase night foot traffic noise on my street and vehicle traffic noise.

This shopping mall area attracts vagrants or criminal types requiring the shopping mall to hire security guards for the nights. Having a market open late hours will be a draw for those individuals that

stay up on the streets all night.

I live on Courtney, and this street is a direct route for people to walk from PCH and avoid much of Warner. I experience noisy intoxicated people going to and from the Rack House, this noise is a perfect indicator the neighborhood does not need a late night liquor sales or market. We also run into people after dark, some individuals inspect cars in the driveways (seen on security cameras) and some appear to be disheveled or behaving strange - encouraging people at night into a quiet family neighborhood with the convenience of liquor sales / market will create a constant nuisance and will result in some dangerous confrontations for the neighbors that currently live here.

If you have not decided to deny the extended hours, please consider that the increased crime and cost to the community will outweigh the benefit to the one business owner.

Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Ellen Martin

714-846-2636

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From: vpham48457@aol.com <vpham48457@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 12:43 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: No allow alcohol store in my neiberghood

dear Commissioner. We would like to vote no to allowe to open liquor store in gas station at Darvenport and Alloquine we are on 16972 edgewater lane Huntington beach ca 92649

Ho Thuc Nguyen @ Van Anne Pham

Isela Siordia Administrative Secretary Department of Community Development City of Huntington Beach 714-536-5271

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-----Original Message-----From: Hugh Conners https://www.conners.com Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2021 3:40 PM To: Planning Commission https://www.commission@surfcity-hb.org Subject: Appeal of Huntington Harbour Chevron hard liquor license

Dear Connie Mandic & H.B. Planning Commission,

We live at 17152 Westport Drive in Huntington Beach, which is one block away from the Huntington Harbour Chevron station located at the corner of Algonquin and Davenport Drive. We are a family of five who have lived at this address since 1996. We have always appreciated the quiet and safe neighborhood and family atmosphere of the Huntington Harbour area of the city.

We have heard quite a lot in recent weeks about the pending zoning modification, liquor license and plans for a late hours convenience store planned for the local Chevron station. We are not in favor of this modification and we are writing to express our desire to have this overturned. There is no need of this type of store for local residents, and there is concern this store could bring more traffic, noise and, potentially, crime from outside the area to our neighborhood. We have used the gas station and car wash frequently over the years, but always during the day or early evening hours and would not want the added activity a convenience store would bring on nights and weekends.

Thank you for listening to our opinions and hope the HB Planning Commission will overturn this zoning modification request.

Hugh & Laurie Conners 17152 Westport Drive Huntington Beach, CA 92649

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From: mysbjc <mysbjc@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 8:32 AM

To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org> **Subject:** Cheron Hard Liquor Licence - Huntington Harbor, Algonquin & Davenport

Dear Huntington Beach Planning Committee,

My name is Jennifer Choi, and I am a resident in Huntington Harbor. My home is within short walking distance from the Chevron on Algonquin and Davenport, thus writing to express my concern regarding the hard liquor licence in review.

I think this is somewhat of a simple matter, if you consider the situation as if this was your home (your family) in question. If you were the resident yourself within such short distance from the Chevron in subject, and you knew that Chevron is planning to expand its business as a liquor store, how would you feel?

I think the answer will be "no" to most families, especially those with young children.

I ask that you consider the situation and if it were your own home/family.

Thank you, Jennifer Choi (714) 713-9000

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From: jim cavin <cavinjim@live.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2021 4:41 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: gas station not a liquor store

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From: Jonette Savold <jonette2@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 10:20 AM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Appeal of Chevron Hard Liquor License - Davenport / Algonquin

Re: Appeal of Chevron Hard Liquor License - Davenport / Algonquin

Store would be potential magnet for drug sales and prostitution.

There could be more alcohol on Davenport Beach.

There may be reckless traffic at Davenport and Algonquin near homes.

Nearby school pupils might approach adults to buy alcohol.

Please overturn zoning.

Thank you, Jonette Savold and Garrold Metz 16802 Edgewater Ln Huntington Beach, Ca 92649.

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From: Json Wooichin <jsonwooichin@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 10:40 AM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Chevron zoning modification for liquor sales.

Dear Planning Commission of Huntington Beach,

I am writing in opposition to the Chevron owner seeking zoning modification to allow liquor sales in a new "7-11 style convenience market."

We live in a residential neighborhood, with elderly and children in Huntington Harbor and neighboring islands. It is precisely because of this family, residential neighborhood that many of us have chosen to live here. This family neighborhood includes an elementary school and Trader Joe's, and some Chase and Bank of America. There are also some restaurants within walking distance.

The issue here is the Chevron gas station which many of us use. We didn't expect it to request permission to sell liquor. There is a correlation between liquor sales and crimes, and it is exactly what we are in opposition against. We are not in opposition to family friendly alcohol sales, like those in Trader Joe's and restaurants. This request is for gas and liquor sales from 6 am - 11 pm, seven days per week, which coincides with children attending schools and elderly doing basic necessities like groceries and banking. Liquor stores attract a different clientele and we prefer not to create an environment that attracts those clientele. There is already a

liquor store available on Warner, within walking distance from this residential neighborhood. We do not need more.

Please take into consideration that this is a residential neighborhood and many of the residents here would like it to remain safe for the elderly and for those with new families, their children who attend the local schools.

Thank you.

Wooichin, Ong Resident at Edgewater

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From: bernbag@socal.rr.com <bernbag@socal.rr.com>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 5:28 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Chevron gas station in Huntington Harbour

Members of the Planning Commission,

I am writing to ask you to not allow the Chevron Gas station on Algonquin in the Huntington Harbour to sell hard alcohol. This is a residential community with single family homes, condominiums, and apartments all right across the street within a few hundred feet. There is a bar in the same shopping center that sells drinks, and a Trader Joe's that sells beer, wine, and hard alcohol. There is also an Albertson's and a Ralph's all within a mile. A residential area is not place for a gas station to sell hard alcohol. In addition, the corner of Algonquin and Warner is a dangerous intersection with many, many accidents at this site. The Chevron sits only a few hundred feet from this intersection. Some of these accidents are deadly, and adding hard alcohol at the gas station may contribute to more accidents at this intersection.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Julie Bernstein Huntington Harbour resident



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From: Liz Yorath <lizyorath@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2021 4:33 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Algonquin/Davenport Chevron Hard Liquor License

Dear Commissioner Mandic,

My name is Liz Yorath and I'm writing today to express my concern over the possibility of the Chevron station at the corner of Algonquin and Davenport selling hard alcohol as if it were a liquor store, from 6am - 11pm 7 days/week.

My husband and I bought our home on Courtney Lane, roughly 100 yards from the Chevron station, 2 years ago. We have two teenage daughters and specifically chose this area to buy a home b/c so many of our family friends live here, as well. Families with small children and teenagers who walk the neighborhoods freely. In fact, entire families walk and ride their bikes throughout the neighborhood, feeling safe in our sleepy little enclave of Huntington Harbour.

My husband grew up in Huntington Harbour and we're so happy to be giving our children a little taste of what his childhood was like. The prospect of anything resembling a liquor store going in at what is essentially the entrance to Huntington Harbour, I fear, could have many negative consequences. The first one that comes to mind is the number of intoxicated drivers that will likely be driving these streets. Our property values will also undoubtedly take a hit. But the biggest fear is that one more part of Huntington Beach will be dragged down into the

gutter.

I feel like our city council has worked hard to bring the shine back to the city of HB. Granting a hard liquor license to a gas station in one of the nicest parts of the city adds no value to anyone but the station owner and the drunks.

Respectfully, Liz Yorath 17041 Courtney Lane HB, CA 92649

From:	marilyn wong
To:	Planning Commission
Cc:	Nguyen, Tess; Larry Weisenthal; tpshawa@mac.com
Subject:	request to overturn tentative Chevron zoning change at HB Planning Commission meeting on 7/27/2021 at 6:00
	pm
Date:	Tuesday, July 27, 2021 12:23:53 PM

Dear Planning Commissioners Alan Ray, Brendon Perkins, Connie Mandic, John Scandura, Kayla Acosta-Galvan, and Oscar Rodriguez,

Please overturn the tentative Chevron Gas Station's (16921 Algonquin St., Huntington Beach, CA 92649) zoning change to expand their business to sell liquor for the following reasons:

- 1. Residents in the quiet community with low alcohol-related harm and criminal activities are located within 100 feet.
- 2. Public welfare will increase as Harbour View Elementary School and school crosswalk with a crossing guard are within ½ mile.
- 3. Public safety will increase and pollution decrease with less vehicle and cyclists' traffic flow and decreased noise levels.
- 4. Gas stations and alcohol do not mix as there are already 4 liquor stores within a mile radius.

I strongly oppose the Chevron Gas Station's horrible plan to sell liquor, do not know any neighbors who approve, and request you to please overturn the tentative zoning change for the greater good of the majority of the community. Thank you for your concerns and keeping the community safe.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Wong

28 years resident at 17072 Courtney Lane, HB CA 92649, 714-846-3955 home

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From: Sharpe, Melanie < Melanie.Sharpe@kyl.com>

Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2021 2:23 PM

To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>

Subject: OBJECTION TO SELLING ALCOHOL @ HARBOUR GAS STATION/CAR WASH ON ALGONQUIN ST.

As a 30+ year resident of the harbour I object to the above being granted a license to sell alcohol. We already have a bar/restaurant next door to this gas station. There are many liquor stores and mini marts nearby. We do not need any more drunk drivers in the harbour or on Warner Ave. Do we need people drinking alcohol while they are getting their car washed? Do the local kids/tourists need another place to buy liquor and party in the harbour. NO! Please do not grant their request.

Thank you, Melanie Sharpe Isela Siordia Administrative Secretary Department of Community Development City of Huntington Beach 714-536-5271

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-----Original Message-----From: Michaela Kellner <michaelawhitney@me.com> Sent: Friday, July 23, 2021 12:36 AM To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org> Subject: Chevron Gas Station liquor proposal on Algonquin/ Davenport.

To whom it may concern-

I am opposed to more alcohol being quickly available in this vicinity, especially from a quick stop business like a gas station.

It's location is more prominent to the public than the bar which is less than a thousand feet from it, Trader Joes which already sells alcohol as well and a wine bar - Red Table on the other side of the center.

Warner and Algonquin is already the site for numerous fatal and non fatal, often under the influence of alcohol, dangerous accidents.

The Tow Truck divers call that section of road "the death curve".

Liquor stores are already readily available on either sides on Warner towards PCH and up Warner and Bolsa Chica. I don't think we need to encourage more people to turn into this street, in search of liquor, beer or wine. Weather until midnight or 24 -7 as the original proposal was.

This location is closer to the residential portions than the restaurant/ bar nearby is. Please do not allow this proposal to go through.

I can only see it encouraging more potential accidents.

- Michaela Kellner

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From: Michele Abbott <mabbott@gracehb.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 9:17 AM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Chevron Liquor License Huntington Harbor

Hi,

I am a concerned citizen that lives at 4192 Silliimon Drive. Our neighborhood does not need a gas station selling hard liquor. It is close to homes & Harbor View school. The increased traffic will be a hazard. Those coming on foot could go into the surrounding area. There are many other choices closeby where people can purchase hard liquor.

Please DO NOT approve this variance. I will remember who you are at election time and will be sure to tell fellow residents!

Michele Abbott 714-925-8048 Isela Siordia Administrative Secretary Department of Community Development City of Huntington Beach 714-536-5271

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-----Original Message-----From: RE1@weight.com <re1@weight.com> Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 12:29 PM To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org> Subject: OPPOSITION TO APPROVAL OF ENTITLEMENT PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 21-002

Dear Planning Commissioners:

My wife and I are 39 year Huntington Beach residents. We are strongly OPPOSED to the sale of distilled spirits at the Chevron Service Station.

The overwhelming majority of the residents in the vicinity of the Chevron Service Station are opposed to such sales at that location; one just needs to review the 231 pages of comments from the prior hearing.

There are no positive attributes for the community that result from such sales - it will result in additional traffic, noise, and litter in a residential area if they are allowed to sell alcohol late into the evening.

Furthermore, late night alcohol sales have been shown, in scientific studies, to increase the rate of of adverse alcohol-related events such as violence, traffic injuries and deaths.

Do we really need more problems at this time?

For the sake of our community, please do not grant the application to sell distilled spirits. **RESCIND** the Zoning Administrator's approval of the entitlement plan.

Yours truly,

Pamela M. Rieder/Michael D. Myers, M.D. 16592 Nalu Circle Huntington Beach, CA 92649 V: 562-493-1237

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From: Paul Pickrell <ppickrell99@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 11:02 AM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Against the sell of Hard Liquor at Chevron Convenience Market Huntington Harbour

Dear Members of the HB Planning Commission,

I am writing to protest the approval to allow the sale of beer, wine and distilled spirits at the Chevron Convenience Market located at the car wash on the corner of Algonquin and Davenport in Huntington Harbor. Our community has been fighting to stop this for months for the following reasons:

-There is no need for, benefit to or desire from the community to have this business. Quite the contrary. While other liquor stores are located in well lit commercial strip malls, this one would be on a corner in the middle of a quiet residential community filled with families, seniors and children. This business would bring noise, traffic, crime and hazardous behavior to an area that is currently quiet and safe. In fact, it is planning to open its doors within only a few feet of one of our residents homes! There are already several liquor stores in existence very close to this new proposed one. What we don't need is another one right next door. -The proposal only went through as a result of the lack of transparency by the owner. The new owners posted deceptive signage that never properly alerted the community as to his intent. As a result, we were deprived of our opportunity to stop it early on.

-The location is near a very dangerous corner where accidents occur on a regular basis (It feels like almost monthly.). Often times the individuals involved in the accidents drive off of the road into the trees near our homes. We do not need to add a liquor store to this dangerous mix.

It is a big enough problem as it is now.

I hope you will read this letter and side with the community. It is extremely unfair and unjust that one person can sneak their proposal through in a deceptive way and thus be allowed to ruin the property values and way of life of an entire community while at the same time profiting from this bad behavior.

Thank you in advance for listening and for your consideration.

Best Regards,

Paul Pickrell

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From: Phyllis Marsh Christy <marshchristy@socal.rr.com>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 2:26 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Chevron Station Hard Liquor License

Dear Commissioners,

I am strongly opposed to allowing a zoning change to enable the Chevron Gasoline Station at Algonquin and Davenport in my neighborhood to sell hard liquor seven days a week.

Sincerely, Phyllis Marsh Christy 16517 Harbour Lane Huntington Beach, CA 92649

Good Evening,

My name is Roni Ellis and request to have this read this evening to express to you my concerns about the addition of a liquor store on the corner of Algonquin and Davenport. I am a 30-year resident of Huntington Beach, with 25 of those years in Huntington Harbour.

In addition, I have spent 20 years of my career in education in Huntington Beach while also serving on the Safe Schools Coalition with HBPD and my husband serving on the HB Personnel Commission. I spent 12 years as the principal of the close-by-within-walking-distance Harbour View Elementary. The Ellises are invested in our city. And I was at a loss for words when told that the addition of a liquor store was being considered our peaceful neighborhood.

Yes, this is a **residential** area! This is an important point. More importantly it is a SCHOOL area. As I stated, I **spent 12 years** as the principal of HV. 90% of the students attending Harbour View Elementary live walking distance to the school.

It is a TRUE neighborhood school and the paths of travel to walk or ride their bikes include Pearce, Branford, Heil, and ALGONQUIN and DAVENPORT. The two very streets that you are proposing a liquor store! I spent every single morning and afternoon as a school principal directing traffic and being visible so that parents knew their children were in a safe place. The community and I begged and negotiated for additional crossing guards every year because of unsafe, pre-occupied and distracted drivers. This was BEFORE a liquor store coming to our neighborhood.

Please tell me, WHY does a peaceful, **residential, neighborhood school** area need a **liquor store**? We do NOT! We are Courtney Lane, Lowell Circle, Round Hill Drive, Bedford Lane, Pickwick Circle and Saybrook Lane: we are not Beach Blvd; we are not Pacific Coast Highway; we are not Warner Ave. We are absolutely NOT Long Beach, Garden Grove, or Los Angeles where liquor stores are on every corner and where crime is abundant.

Trader Joe's already sells wine, beer, and liquor.

Your residents in Huntington Harbour are satisfied; that is your number one priority is it not? To serve the residents, the tax-payers, the voters of your city?

This proposal does not benefit the residents of HB and certainly does not benefit the residents and families in HH. It benefits a single business owner who does NOT live in the community. That alone should give you pause!

On May 18th of this year I attended the 60th celebration of the Huntington Beach Kiwanis Club at the Waterfront Hilton. I saw many City Council members: Barbara Delgleize, Mike Posey, Natalie Moser, Mayor Carr.

City Manager Chi, was the keynote speaker and challenged us as residents to change the narrative and the perception of who we are as a city. Highlight the positives; embrace our joy and passion, etc.

City Manager Chi referenced the "poor image that we suffer as a town." He said that WE need to "make an effort to tout the positives of our city," which includes its passionate residents. He said "WE need to change the narrative."

So, I ask you all, how does adding a liquor/convenience store to a quiet, peaceful, community for the convenience of non-residents do this?

- How does yet another liquor store within a mile of at least six others do this?
- How does a convenience store/gas station/liquor store improve the quality of life for your residents and boost the image of Surf City? It does not!

Roni Ellis and Dave Ellis 16862 Sea Witch Lane HB, 92649 714)887-4013

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From: Y <rroe3@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2021 4:37 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Chevron gas station at Davenport & Algonquin

I understand the gas station at Davenport and Algonquin wants to sell liquor.

I think there are already enough liquor stores in Huntington Beach and we don't need more.

Ruth Roe rroe3@verizon.net Isela Siordia Administrative Secretary Department of Community Development City of Huntington Beach 714-536-5271

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From: Stella Toibin <stellatoibin@icloud.com> Sent: Friday, July 23, 2021 11:46 AM To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org> Subject: Chevron Gas Station Liquor License in Huntington Harbour

I live in Huntington Harbour about a mile away from the Chevron gas station where there is a proposed license liquor petition. Gas stations and alcohol do not mix!!!! There are many stores, restaurants and bars in the immediate area that sell beer, wine and other alcohol items. The Chevron gas station is in a neighborhood not far from an elementary school and sale of liquor will affect the safety of these children. Not far from the Chevron gas station on the corner of Warner and Algonquin, there have been numerous car accidents and these accidents will increase with more car traffic and drivers who may be intoxicated from the liquor they buy at the Chevron station. I implore that you deny this liquor license!! There are many lives at stake here!!

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From: G S <eyedeas2c@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 5:57 PM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: NO to More Hard Alcohol Sale in Huntington Harbour

Dear Huntington Beach Planning Commission:

Our family has resided in Huntington Harbour since 1973. While we fully support the local businesses in the Harbour Mall and adjacent, we have never been more opposed to a recently approved application for the sales of hard alcohol at the Chevron Station on Davenport and Algonquin Street. The additional permit for MORE alcohol sales <u>is not needed</u>, given the wide access to alcohol already available in the immediate area. It poses a huge traffic, crime, and safety concern in the community.

We feel completely slighted by the fact that this permit was granted, and that the Huntington Beach community was not permitted to voice THEIR opinion, given that timely objections were not granted before any HB zoning approval. We are the Residents and Taxpayers of this community! We are the citizens who would face the aftermath of this terrible decision to allow ANOTHER hard alcohol sales permit. Furthermore, we would strongly oppose any additional attempts to permit and extend 24/7 Chevron Station business hours. We are asking for full cooperation of the HB Planning Commission in siding with the Residents to appeal the approval of Entitlement Plan Amendment NO. 21-002.

Sincerely, The Smith Family 16992 Courtney Lane * Huntington Beach 92649

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From: Hinds, Tracy <tracy.hinds@kraftheinz.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 27, 2021 11:01 AM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Cc: Justin Hinds <pezhead46@hotmail.com>
Subject: Chevron Hard Liquor License

I am writing regarding the HB Planning Commission Meeting coming up tonight.

Please DO NOT approve Chevron's ask for zoning modification allowing them to sell liquor!

Ultimately, it will bring in unnecessary traffic, people, and noise into our neighborhoods.

There are several places within blocks that someone can purchase alcohol (Trader Joe's, Albertson's, Mike's Liquor, Nady's Market). We don't need to add another one added into our community.

The Chevron station sits within a housing community that is largely protected from Warner, which is a major street.

Allowing alcohol sales at Chevron will result in new people finding out about our little community, and bringing in potential crime, homeless, and traffic into an otherwise peaceful and safe place to live.

Thank you for your consideration.

Tracy Hinds 562.212.5060 tracy.hinds@kraftheinz.com

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From: Wilson Turner <turner.wilson@protonmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 11:05 AM
To: Planning Commission <planning.commission@surfcity-hb.org>
Subject: Algonquin Chevron liquor license appeal

Good morning;

I will be commenting at tomorrow's hearing for the Algonquin St. Chevron liquor license appeal, as one of the many neighborhood voices against it.

What I am genuinely baffled by is what need the Planning Commission thinks it is meeting served by forcing something into community has so far been unanimously against it. There are, within a 1-mile radius, already 8 liquor stores and an Albertson's that sells liquor, plus several bars for those who just want a quick nip without lugging booze off-site. Additionally, services such as Postmates, Instacart and Grubhub will deliver liquor directly to legal-aged residents, so there is literally no unmet market being addressed by bringing hard liquor sales into the middle of our residential neighborhood.

I will be speaking to you all about the research and numerous studies demonstrating a direct link between increased alcohol sales (particularly off-site consumption sales) and increased accidents and violent crime. For the few thousand dollars you'll be able to pocket selling another liquor license, how much do you want to guess you'll be spending on increased police and emergency services calls to the neighborhood for those increased accidents and violence? How much will property values and your precious property taxes be negatively impacted?

Honestly, this whole thing makes no sense whatsoever, and you are very much *not* serving the public in trying to help push this through.

Regards, Wilson Turner 4202 Morning Star Dr.

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