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Dear Ms. Garcia,

We are not able to attend meetings because of medical issues, but we are extremely concerned about what is to happen to the Greenleaf area. We are horrified to think that all the trees on Greenleaf are to be destroyed all at once. We urge the City Council to carefully consider how trees may be gradually replaced over time so that the area retains a needed cover of foliage over the street and stores. This is for aesthetic as well as ecological reasons.

Just seeing all photos of an older Greenleaf without trees is dismaying, and quite frankly the new proposal looks very stark, industrial and uninviting. The proposed entrance sign pretty much says it all. Whittier has a lovely history that should be incorporated into the new design that would blend in with buildings both new and old.

We sincerely request that the City Council reconsider the proposal, acknowledging that it will require additional funding. The future of the street and Uptown Whittier is at stake.

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