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#### Comment

PLEASE advocate for the area being progressive and providing more options. We have an outstanding number of fried chicken, fast food, and liquor establishments in the area. This leads to many not seeking to come to the county for "unique" or "attractive" options, which downgrades value of equity in property and more. However, as a family and working mom - there are little to no health facilities in the area that are well known and appealing. I know we are getting a community center that is replacing the sears. However, coming from VA and even closer to DC MD side, we need newer gyms or Lifetime gym, etc. We also need Family focused establishments and younger people events and venues, like beer gardens or locally owned restaurants. Excited to see first watch and Panera are here but let's add Sweet green and Ambar to the list. Work on attracting grocers like Whole Foods. Understandably, some places may not find value in bringing business here because of the lack of traffic and connection of flow...work of expanding the roads and embracing corporations. WE NEED THIS. We are less than 30 mins from the city! Sure, taxes go up but so does education and hospitals.

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