

September 12, 2018

VIA EMAIL: <u>COB_MAIL@PIMA.GOV</u>

Pima County Board of Supervisors 130 W. Congress Street, 11th Floor Tucson, AZ 85701

Subject: Foothills Mall Specific Plan

Dear Supervisors:

Our family lives at 6309 N. Camino Miraval, Tucson, AZ 85718. We also own the DeMont Family Swim School located at 2850 W. Ina Road (about a half a mile west of the Foothills Mall). We are excited for the revitalization of the Foothills Mall property, and are enthusiastic and supportive of their Specific Plan request.

Over the years as residents and business owners, I have observed the Foothills Mall successes and recently, the decline. Presently, the mall is almost empty and not in good physical condition. We are greatly concerned about its impact on Tucson and the surrounding area.

- As an owner of a child centered business, I am constantly looking for partners in the community who believe in the development of children and families and creating safe and fun spaces to gather. The revitalized Foothills Mall plan, fits this description perfectly!
- My children are participating in a committee organized by the developer to ask the kids what they want for entertainment activities for the project. This planning, collaboration and inclusion illustrates the developer is committed to making this a family centered project that will be successful.
- Tucson and Pima County lacks activities for children older than 8 or 9 that is not an organized sport. The entertainment component of the revitalized Foothills Mall is very exciting to us and many others for this very reason.
- I know some residents are concerned about the height of the proposed buildings, but I do not have this concern. I firmly believe that we must be better at growing

smart and this means upward and infill. I have looked at the proposed plans and feel that the design will add to, not take away from the beauty and value of the surrounding area.

• The revitalization of Foothills Mall as a mixed-use family destination is good for all of us and the local economy.

My family and I (and our business) appreciates the vision and significant investment of the developer into this project. I look forward to the approval of the zoning and experiencing the new and revitalized Foothills Mall.

Sincerely,

Carrie DeMont

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Dear Supervisors:

I have lived in the NW/Foothills Mall area since 1992 and shop at the mall and surrounding businesses at the mall on a regular basis.

I remember what the current owner/developer did to revitalize this mall once before with having even less tenants then it has now. It turned out to be a <u>beautiful</u> mall, not like <u>any</u> other in Tucson. It had its own class and charm. But then I watched as the years pass the mall changed and began to deteriorate due to changes in ownership, the economy and the new outlet mall cannibalizing many of its tenants.

As a long-time resident of Pima County and of this area, I understand the importance of encouraging infill and growing smarter as a community. Foothills Mall is an <u>ideal</u> location for dense development, to include the proposed taller buildings that include high rise residential buildings and hotels. I have seen the conceptuals drawings of the proposed office, high rise residential, hotels and this property is a perfect location for this type of a mall re-development and the infrastructure is already in place. A re-development project like this would be a win-win to all of us who live around and near Foothills, but also to the taxpayers of Pima County! These plans would bring life back to this mall that would also include a mix of restaurants, food hall, retail and entertainment. Malls as we use to know them are dead and must change and I support and look forward to these changes!

I am very excited about the developer's ideas for the Foothills Mall, and I appreciate their vision and significant investment they are putting into this project. I encourage you approve their zoning request.

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