



Interoffice Memo

DATE: February 18, 2021

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FROM: **ANTHONY DELUCA**, SENIOR PLANNER *AD*
Land Use Services Department

TO: **HONORABLE PLANNING COMMISSION**

SUBJECT: **PROJECT NUMBER: PROJ-2019-00079; BLOOMINGTON COMMERCIAL CENTER,
CHANDI ENTERPRISES, LLC (AGENDA ITEM #2)**

Since the distribution of the staff report, Staff has received additional comments regarding the above-referenced project.

The correspondence is attached for your consideration.

From: [LISA YOUNG](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Proposed truck depot on Cedar Ave and Santa Ana Ave.
Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 11:11:09 AM

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Dear Planning Commission,

I am very upset to hear that yet another developer in Bloomington is ignoring the citizens living in Bloomington and is trying to move ahead with plans that were UNANIMOUSLY vetoed at the Bloomington MAC meeting in October 2019. The Citizens in Bloomington DO NOT WANT A TRUCK STOP or TRUCK YARD at this or any location so near to homes and in an area we desperately need as commercial space. The folks at Chandi appeared to understand that in October 2019 but have since moved forward with these plans without the approval of the people in Bloomington or without the Bloomington MAC's approval. I and my neighbors in Bloomington STRONGLY disapprove of this project and urge you to deny it moving forward. We put our faith in you and our elected officials to deny this request. I do believe the people of Bloomington have spoken to you about this at length. No truck Stop or Truck yard. Period.

Sincerely,

Lisa Young

From: [Amber Fleener](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: I OPPOSE the proposed truck stop at the corner of Santa Ana and Cedar in Bloomington, Ca!!
Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 5:11:16 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I have been a resident of Bloomington my whole life. In 40 years I have lived in two homes both in Bloomington. And what is becoming of this beautiful township is disgusting. Trucks EVERYWHERE. This new proposal is wrong. We already have WAY more traffic than our roads can handle, but now they want to ADD to it with even more trucks and traffic! A truck stop right next to Crestmore Elementary and residential homes a block down. This is NOT ok. Our air quality is already disgusting and this will add to it!

We deserve the same type of community and surroundings as Rancho Cucamonga and N. Fontana! Better restaurants and stores! Actual sit down restaurants! Grocery or department stores! Things that can help Bloomington's economy not hinder it! Which a truck stop will do! No one in this community wants a truck stop and if you went door to door that's what every resident (except those who drive big rigs who live here) would say!

The majority of us are sick of all the trucks! We call code enforcement and NOTHING is done! They park next to residential homes with children and leave the trucks running and polluting all day then leave their nasty trash next to our homes for US to clean up! It's disgusting! We almost got hit by a big rig today on top of the cedar bridge! They act like they own this town! The street of Bloomington are crowded with trucks everywhere including streets that say no vehicles over 5 tons! This town is turning into a trucker town and all of our health is suffering because of it!

Please don't approve this proposal! No truck stops in Bloomington! Go somewhere else! Bloomington deserves better! My children and all the younger Bloomington residents deserve better! The people who have spent the better part of their lives and livelihoods in this town DESERVE BETTER!

Thank you!
Amber Murray

From: [Connie Young](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: PROJ-2019-00079
Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 5:52:15 PM
Attachments: [Truck Stop Letter PROJ-2009-00079.docx](#)

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Attached is my letter about the proposed project PROJ-2019-00079 that is on the February 18, 2021 agenda. I am unable to attend but would like my letter read.

Thank you,
Constance Young

February 17, 2021

To: San Bernardino County Planning Committee

Re: PROJ-2019-00079

This proposal was presented to the Bloomington MAC committee in October 2019 which I attended. The audience made it clear that we were okay for a small area for truckers to park while getting gas and getting a quick bite to eat. We were unanimous in our concerns that we did not want a truck stop. The developer said they would come back to the MAC with another presentation addressing our concerns but they have not. Instead we learned that this proposal is going forward without the original proposed restaurant which we really wanted. There are no nice sit-down restaurants on Cedar Avenue south of the freeway and it is much needed.

My family has lived on Valencia Street in Bloomington for 48 years. We have watched our community be swallowed up by the large warehouses which has brought increased truck traffic and pollution. In addition to this proposal there is another one (PROJ-2020-00035) which is currently proposed to add a 320-truck repair facility just a block away from this proposal. This would be a major disaster if these two proposed projects are approved. The traffic back up on Cedar Avenue is terrible every afternoon as it is and I can only imagine what it would be like with these two proposals. We desperately need for the Cedar Avenue overpass to be replaced to handle the current traffic let alone the increased traffic with these two projects.

Please do not approve these projects. Our nice neighborhoods are being replaced with warehouses and trucks. Would you like them next to your homes? I think not.

Sincerely,

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From: [Stephanie Santoyo](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Opposition of the Truck Stop on Cedar and Santa Ana
Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 5:57:18 PM

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As a resident of Bloomington for 28 years, I strongly oppose the building of a truck stop in our community. First, it benefits others and not our community members. Second, it was proposed to the MAC as a commercial area for our community NOT a truck stop. Lastly, the traffic study conducted in July of 2020 of the would be affected area is inaccurate and therefore should not move forward. The study was conducted during stay at home orders were in place as well as school closures. Therefore, the study contains less traffic than normal and is an inaccurate representation of our community. Just like the first presentation of the project, the study is full of lies and should be redone when an accurate and true study can be conducted. Since the project is being done in Bloomington, I believe that the people of Bloomington should have a say and be brought accurate and truthful plans.

From: [Evelyn Renteria](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Cedar and Santa Ana project
Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 6:19:33 PM

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My name is Evelyn Renteria, as a homeowner in the Bloomington community I am 100% against the project as it is proposed on the corner of Cedar and Santa Ana. We as a community would like to see more shopping stores or restaurants to build a joint community and create more revenue for our community.

From: [ISRAEL FUENTES](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Proposed Project on Cedar and Santa Ana in Bloomington
Date: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 6:54:19 PM

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Thank you for the opportunity to send my comment. I am a resident of Bloomington for the past 12 years I have seen Bloomington grow and accomplish many things. As a MAC member for 10 years I have had the opportunity to recommend some of these changes to our Community always listening to our residents concerns and comments. Now as a Board Member for Colton Joint Unified School District, I continue to advocate for our Community and the Children that attend CJUSD. When the proposed project was brought to the MAC Board and the Residents. They made it clear that we did not want a truck stop. The developer the Chandi Group understood our concerns they commented "We here you Loud and Clear" they said they would come back with the changes the Community wanted and the MAC Board, because of Covid-19 they never came back to share any of the changes. Till a few weeks ago I saw the new updated plans and was very upset to see 42 truck parkings, a Truck scale and noticed that the Convenience Store was 9900 sqft to me it says Truck Stop. Very disappointed to see all of this. Nothing our Community said was done. I oppose this project. We do not want a truck stop.

Thank you,
Israel Fuentes
Resident of Bloomington 12 years
CJUSD Board Member
Former MAC Bloomington

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

From: [Kathy Fleener](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: I OPPOSE THE BUILDING OF A TRUCK STOP IN BLOOMINGTON, CA ON CEDAR AND SANTA ANA.
Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021 12:25:40 AM

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To whom it may concern,

I have been a resident of Bloomington for 60 years. I've lived and owned 2 homes within Bloomington. I remember and lived through the best years of Bloomington and it seems like we're going into the worst years. This new proposal is awful. We already have WAY more traffic than our roads can handle and they want to add more to it. Most of our roads are already ruined and they don't get fixed. Adding a truck stop right next to Crestmore Elementary and residential homes a block down is going to be AWFUL for our KIDS and OUR community. My grandchildren are going to attend Crestmore elementary and now I do not feel comfortable sending them there. With building a truck stop in our area, I have to worry even more about my grandchildren getting asthma and other lung issues from the increased pollution from the trucks. I've called multiple times on the trucks running red lights, swerving in front of cars, and driving recklessly.

We do not NEED a truck stop, we NEED grocery stores, family owned businesses! We deserve things that can help Bloomington's economy. No one in this community wants a truck stop. ASK OUR COMMUNITY, ASK THE RESIDENTS, GET OUR OPINION.

We are sick of all the trucks, I've called code enforcement and the police multiple times and NOTHING is done. They park next to residential homes with children and leave the trucks running and polluting all day then leave their trash next to our homes and on our property. It's disgusting. The bushes on my property are constantly full of garbage. They also utilize people's homes as parking spots and dumping grounds for their trailers. Multiple accidents have happened in front of my house because you can't see around the trucks and truck trailers and people get hit! Today alone we almost got hit by a big rig today on top of the cedar bridge! All of the streets of Bloomington are crowded with trucks. Even the streets that say no vehicles over 5 tons are full of trucks. This is terrible.

Please don't approve this proposal! No truck stops in Bloomington! Go somewhere else! Bloomington deserves better! My grandchildren, and all of the younger Bloomington residents deserve better. They deserve a city to be proud of! The people who have spent their whole lives here DESERVE BETTER!

Thank you for your time,
Katherine Fleener

From: [Elizabeth Fleener](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: THE RESIDENTS OF BLOOMINGTON, CA OPPOSE THE CREATION OF A TRUCK STOP ON SANTA ANA AND CEDAR
Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021 12:35:32 AM

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Elizabeth Fleener. I'm a university student that holds multiple degrees and will be getting a bachelor's degree in Biology with an emphasis on Microbiology. I'm writing to you today to state firmly that I strongly OPPOSE the addition of a truck stop on the southeast corner of Santa Ana and Cedar.

I've been a resident of this humble town my entire life. I can't fathom living anywhere else because I love Bloomington so much. I want to stay here my whole life and I have no intention of leaving. This town is a wonderful place full of culture, community, and love. However, as the years passed, I've seen Bloomington change from a homely, quaint, little town into an extremely dangerous, extremely polluted, and extremely congested industrial park. You no longer see children playing in the streets because of the increased risk of accidents thanks to reckless truck drivers that barrel up and down our residential streets. Our roads are decrepit, destroyed, and full of holes from the increased weight placed on them. Our streets are overrun. They are congested. We, the residents of bloomington, deserve better.

Going anywhere within Bloomington takes longer on average nowadays due to the increased traffic. Often these trucks break down on streets and this leads to the whole street being reduced to one lane, further adding to traffic. Our quality of air has decreased while the risk of Asthma in both adults and children has increased. The groups most at risk include children [31% of the population is those under 18+], people of color [with 83% of the population being hispanic], and those over 65 years old [11% of our population], These statistics were pulled from both the American Lung Association and the census that I will provide to the committee if they'd like. This means that a large portion of our population will be NEGATIVELY impacted by the creation of a truck stop. However, the people COULD Thrive and prosper from the creation of restaurants and retail locations. THESE types of establishments could boost our local economy and put money back into Bloomington. We need THESE types of establishments, not a truck stop that will harm our most vulnerable populations.

With this, I urge the committee, PLEASE DO NOT PUT A TRUCK STOP AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SANTA ANA AND CEDAR. The citizens of bloomington deserve the same type of prosperity, opportunity, and community as the surrounding cities of Rancho cucamonga, Redlands, and Fontana. Give us that opportunity.

I've enclosed photos of trucks illegally parking and ruining our streets.

Sources for the statics regarding the American lung association and Census:

<https://censusreporter.org/profiles/16000US0607064-bloomington-ca/>

<https://www.stateoftheair.org/city-rankings/states/california/san-bernardino.html>









From: [Jose Blancarte](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Comment.
Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021 12:48:28 AM

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This would just destroy the roads and clog up traffic. And both are already bad in that part of Bloomington. This is going to congest the Cedar Bridge so bad that it's going to be impossible to actually use it. And on top of that wil the developers pay for the cost of maintaning the roads near there. More 18 Wheelers means more stress on the streets leading to there and it's just going to tear it up. Will the developers be providing the funds to fix the roads prior and after they build their monstrosity of a Truck Stop?

From: [Carolina Verduzco](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: Opposition To Bloomington Truck Stop Project
Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021 1:43:21 AM

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I oppose The 42 Stall Bloomington Truck Stop Project. I oppose this project because Bloomington residents have not been presented accurate, factual information about the true nature of this proposal. Our community has a right to make an informed decision on this matter and has the right to be heard. This project talks about mitigating the negative impact it will create within our community but has not provided verifiable, accurate facts to support any mitigation at all. It is CRIMINAL to approve a truck stop of this magnitude, less than a mile from residential homes, and 4 local schools. How dare the developer say the impact on the health of local residents and nearby students will be minimal. Say no to this project. Do not sellout the health of Bloomington residents. Not all business is good business.

From: [Marlin Hernandez](#)
To: [Planning Commission Comments](#)
Subject: County of San Bernardino Planning Commission
Date: Thursday, February 18, 2021 1:44:25 AM

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Hello,

My name is Marlin Hernandez and I am a resident of Bloomington. I want to formally issue my opposition to this proposed project, for I believe that it will greatly harm the community in terms of destroying the local housing market. I am certain that property values will plummet as the number of semi-trucks will increase dramatically. Residents will have to deal with noise pollution all hours of the day and night that would be caused by the sound of diesel engines due to maneuvering trucks coming and going from said truck stop. This would surely cause residents to sell their homes at low prices in order to attract buyers, for it can certainly be determined that potential home-buyers would not want to reside in an industrialized area whose streets would be clogged with commercial trucks. I offer a solution, instead of building a truck stop, why not build a shopping center like Rialto has done this past few years. Residents of Bloomington have to travel to other cities to do so, and a new shopping center would surely be appreciated by us Residents. Also, this would cause property values to increase as the new Rialto Marketplace has done to their residents, as home-buyers are known to prefer properties that are in close proximity to shopping centers that also include a variety of dine-in restaurants. Thank you for taking the time to hear my voice.

Sincerely,

Marlin Hernandez