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Dover Village Market
**COMMENT CARD**

Public Comment Session June 18, 2012

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| **Name:** Employees of Freshtown | **Date:** 6/28/12 |
| **Organization:** Freshtown | |
| **Address:** 3081 Rt. 22 Suite 2 | |
| Dover Plains, NY 12522 | |

**Comment:** See Attached Letter

Thank You

Written comments will be accepted until Noon Friday June 29, 2012
Town Of Dover Planning Board - 126 East Duncan Hill Road, Dover Plains NY 12522

Dear Members of the Dover Planning Board,

We are writing this letter to you, the members of the planning board, as a result of the discussions that took place at the last meeting. At that meeting the initial discussion for a 35,000 square foot retail grocery store was proposed. As the employees of your Dover Plains Freshtown we want you to know that we are opposed to this project. First off we feel the town needs something else to draw business to this town and another supermarket is not the answer. Back in 2002 the Katz family purchased this store when no other chains were interested in it. At that time it was being operated as a very outdated Grand Union. Since then many upgrades and improvements have occurred, such as new checkout scanners, new refrigerated cases as well as many behind the scenes upgrades. To show their further commitment to the community the Katz family purchased the the entire shopping plaza and have made many improvements on it already. They have given the façade a face lift and have other plans in store for the future. We are a family run company not a big corporation with a family atmosphere among the associates and the people of the town. Our loyal associates are residents. We enjoy serving the community in which we work and have given time and donations to the community over the years. We have given to the Hope Chest, the Welcome Table, St. Charles Church, the United Methodist Church, the Dover Music Boosters, the Union Lake Christian School, High Meadows Community, the Dover Little League, the Chestnut Ridge Rod & Gun Club, Dutchess County 4-H, the Dover Dragons Vollyball Team, Oblong Land Conservatory, Dover Diabetes Awareness, Wingdale Elementary School, the Eagle Scouts, Dover Women's Softball League, the Dover Drama Club, Dutchess County Office for the Aging, Dover Seniors, J.H. Ketcham Firehouse, Dutchess County Arts Council, Westchester Modular, the Dover Masons, Christian Missionary Church, Dover Elemantary School, the Harlem Valley Car Club, Wingdale Elemantary School, the American Legion, and the Greater Grace Community Church. This list is just from last year alone. We also give our customers the opportunity to donate the greenpoints they earn from shopping here to local organizations. Such as the Dover Masonic Temple, the fire department, the Center of Compassion and the Dover elementary, middle and high school. These points can than be used by these organizations to purchase things they need like sports equipment and computers for the schools or they can redeem the points for cash. We are appealing to you the members of the Planning Board to look into a better use for this property and give Dover Plains something it really needs not something it already has. We appreciate your business and support and look forward to serving this community for many more years to come.

Thank You
The Employees of your Dover Plains Freshtown