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**Subject:** Westgate Shopping Center; 1412 Congress Street

Hi-

Are the materials that will be reviewed at the meeting on May 13 available electronically?

I read that the site will not be altered; it should be noted that after the sidewalk at Congress Street, there is zero pedestrian access to the main block of stores (Shaw's, AutoZone, CVS, etc.) in Westgate.

Unfortunately no site work is proposed however at a the new tenant/use should preserve what few sidewalks are available, and consider that the automobile traffic flow needs to respect the precious few sidewalks that do exist. There are great plans in place to improve the intersection for pedestrians; would be great if one could walk safely to Shaw's.

Thanks,

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