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**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 12:04 PM **To:** eComment <ecomment@santa-ana.org>

**Subject:** Planning Commission

Dear Planning and Building Agency,

My name is Hop Nguyen and my family are a residence at 10912 Lotus Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92843, which is in a residential community on the north-west corner of Hazard and Euclid. We had received a notice of public hearing before the Santa Ana Planning Commission for a project to build a 7-eleven catty corner to our address at 813 N. Euclid, to voice our comments to this project by sending this email before 1pm today if we are not able to make the meeting today at 5:30pm, which I'm not.

I've lived in this community for the past 7 years and we've had terrible experiences throughout the years with homeless people jumping our walls to find refuge in our community pool area and have damaged equipment and restrooms so we'd installed cameras and locked the doors, which are inconveniences to our residence and many feel it's unsafe to use our pool area unless it's crowded with residence. We are constantly experiencing thefts and car break-ins, including my home break-in a couple years back and was vandalized my car and inside my house which prompted me to buy a gun safe and some firearms for the protection of my family and I never thought I would need a firearm to protect my family when we purchased a home in a gated community.

Many of us have installed security cameras in and around our houses, which makes our community look like a prison, and we have a Facebook Group page for us to be part of the community to include us all with events and share our thoughts on how to improve our community but it's actually mostly used for reporting crimes captured on our videos, possible compare patterns how thieves come in to our gated community or what they take and to warn others to be aware and to watch out for themselves and their children.

We are currently working with the businesses behind our community to help prevent the vagrants who hide in the parking lots at night where they can escape loitering and being seen or caught in the act of something by jumping over the wall to and from our community. Many of us, like my family, are in fear of drug needles or human bio and trash that may be left behind where our young children may accidentally be in contact of being poked or stepped

With this project to build another 7-Eleven across from our community, we feel it will attract even more vagrants and crime near our community such as the August-7-2019 robbery at a nearby 7-Eleven where there was 4 murdered and 2 injured. We also had a recent robbery at gun point in front of our community with a food truck and I had submitted my backyard video to the Garden Grove police for evidence. Does this sound safe for kids to walk home from the nearby schools? There are many elementary kids, not just in our community but many homes on our streets and across from us who walks from and to schools on Hazard across Euclid. Kids needs to be safe!

There are already five 7-Eleven within a two mile radius of our community! Why do we need another? I would rather have this Planning Agency build a Police or Fire Station at this location to help our community BE and FEEL safer. There are many of us that feel we need to move, not just out of our community but out of the city for our family to feel safe.

Please hear our voices and do not add extra elements which will attract crimes to our neighborhood. We NEED to reduce those elements that currently exists in this are now.

