

# *Holiday City*

*At Monroe*

March 11, 2021

To: Monroe Township Planning Board Members

Re: Lidl Project

On behalf of the 681 homes located in Holiday City @ Monroe – 55 plus senior citizens community, we are seeking relief associated with the above named project.

Please accept this impact letter to be read into the minutes of the March 25, 2021 meeting and a copy distributed to each member of the board.

For every problem – there is a solution! Therefore, as we, (the residents), present our concerns – we implore you to address our hardships, with solutions, that would place the needed condition for approval upon the applicant.

First: The need for sidewalks and curbs on Lake Avenue and Herbert Boulevard to accommodate all of the walkers in this rural setting, i.e. exercise, dog walkers, and passengers on the N.J. Transit buses that are health care workers for our sick and elderly residents.

Secondly: The traffic impact on our narrow resident roadways. Over the 32 years that Holiday City has existed, the Township of Monroe Traffic Bureau has been called upon many times to address the safety concerns at two of our three existing entrance/exit locations, Virgin Island Drive and Holiday City Boulevard.

We feel very strongly that Lidl will create more cut throughs of non-residents going from the traffic light on Sicklerville Road at Holiday City Boulevard, out to Virgin Island Drive and Herbert Boulevard. This entrance/exit has been the scene of many accidents, causing serious injuries to our residents.

The installation of red flashing stop signs should be a condition of approval for all of the stop signs located on Lake Avenue, Virgin Island Drive and Brookdale Boulevard.

Repositioning the location of Lidl, next to First Bank, would alleviate the impact on Herbert Boulevard with the traffic entrance/exit onto the Black Horse Pike, not the homes located on Herbert Boulevard.

If the numerous variances are granted by the board, a condition of approval should be a flashing yellow traffic signal where the entrance/exit of Lidl would impact Herbert Boulevard, as was required of Walmart on Malaga Road. A traffic light would also be required at the intersections of Herbert Boulevard, Virgin Island Drive and Brookdale Boulevard.

We sincerely appreciate your thoughtful consideration of our serious concerns and the effect that will be placed on our elderly residents that call Holiday City home.

Sincerely,

The Board of Trustees of Holiday City @ Monroe