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June 17, 2013

Re: License Application for Carver Auto Sales, 1328 Point Douglas Rd.
#20130002243

On June 11, 2013, the Land Use Committee of the District 1 Community Council met to discuss the license application for Carver Auto Sales. We wanted to bring several points to your attention regarding previous activities at this site that have proved to be problems for the surrounding neighbors:

- 1) lights at the facility have been a nuisance, shining into neighbors' homes at night;
- 2) dogs at the location have been allowed to run free, at one point killing a neighbor's pets;
- 3) there has been parking on unpaved surfaces at the rear of the lot in defiance of the existing site plan;
- 4) the previous owner started a U-haul business at the site without going through a site plan review process, and resulting in more vehicles on the property than allowed.

In light of these previous problems, and to avoid any further friction between this business and residential neighbors, we ask that the following additional conditions be placed on the license:

- 1) the lights at the site be directed toward the building and shaded from neighboring properties;
- 2) fencing and visual screening be added so that it surrounds the north, east and south sides of the property, especially along the eastern 90 feet of the property to shield neighbors from commercial activities (and, if animals are on site, to keep any animals confined or restrained at all times).

In addition, we ask that the new owner be reminded that all vehicles are to be parked in designated spaces only. We would request that a gate be installed at entrances to the lot rather than using vehicles to block those entrances after hours.

Thank you for your consideration of these additional conditions to the license.

Sincerely,

Betsy Leach
For the Land Use Committee