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City of Las Vegas  
Ms. Margo Wheeler  
Director of Planning and Development  
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Re: Request for special use permit to allow sale of pre-packages liquor at existing store, and waiver of minimum separation requirements.

Dear Ms. Wheeler,

Lionel Sawyer & Collins represents Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. ("Wal-Mart"). Wal-Mart is submitting an application for a Special Use Permit to allow retail sale of packaged liquor at its existing Store #1559, located at 201 N. Nellis Blvd. This is an existing Wal-Mart store that has been in business for many years, the liquor sales planned for this location will be conducted in a manner that is harmonious and compatible with the design of Store #1559, and many commercial zoned properties surround this location.

There is 90,736 square feet of retail space at Store #1559, and the area to be used for retail sale of packaged liquor only comprises 126 square feet. We have not identified any protected uses within 400 feet of this store. However, because the amount of retail space of this store exceeds 50,000 square feet, we are requesting a waiver of the minimum distance separation requirements that would pertain to any protected uses that might be in the area, pursuant to Chapter 19.04 of the Las Vegas Municipal Code.

The kind of packaged liquor that Wal-Mart intends to sell is commonly consumed by the public and is available at grocery stores or convenience stores in the same vicinity. Granting the special use permit will provide consumers with another option for these common goods, but at competitive prices that benefit the consumer.

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For the above reasons, Wal-Mart kindly requests approval of its application for a special use permit. The proposed use is compatible with the existing site and surrounding commercial properties, and the amount of retail space to be dedicated to sales of packaged liquor is a small fraction of the total retail space. The liquor Wal-Mart intends to sell is commonly available for purchase, and patrons will benefit from the option of a competing location that sells packaged liquor at competitive prices.

We would be happy to discuss this matter further and answer any questions you might have.

Sincerely,



Lucas Tucker

cc: Paul Larsen

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