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## Fwd: Dollar General

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Mon, Jun 15, 2020 at 8:39 AM

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From: richard noyes <rgnoyes@yahoo.com>  
Date: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 5:40 PM  
Subject: Dollar General  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

I am writing in support of the proposed Dollar General store in Cool. as a resident of the county, I feel that this type of "budget" retail outlet is essential going forward, especially in light of all the businesses we are losing due to the current "pandemic".  
Thank you for your consideration.  
sincerely,  
Richard Noyes

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**Fwd: 'No' on Dollar General**

1 message

**EDC COB** <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

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From: Catherine Moné <cjmone@gmail.com>  
Date: Fri, Jun 12, 2020 at 8:22 PM  
Subject: 'No' on Dollar General  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Just a note to suggest that this chain discount store is not needed in Cool. Here are a few reasons:

**NOT A QUALITY EMPLOYER:** Dollar General is a huge, southern-based corporation with over 200 stores in California, yet they pay their employees only about \$8 an hour. This business will not generate any good jobs for the community.

**WASTE PRODUCING:** Much of what DG sells is inexpensive, but also of low quality -- the kinds of things that soon fill roadsides and the dump because they don't last.

**ENCOURAGES POOR HEALTH:** The store sells low-quality food and a lot of cheap candy, which in the long run is not a benefit to the community.

**REGIONAL ACCESS TO EQUIVALENT MERCHANDISE:** For those want this type of merchandise, a Dollar General is available in Foresthill, and Dollar Tree is in Placerville, Cameron Park, and Folsom/EDH, plus the area has several Walmarts.

**HURTS LOCAL BUSINESS:** Cool is a rural town well served by Holiday Market, the General Store, and other small local businesses. It's close to Auburn for larger shopping trips. I hope the community will reject adding this low-quality, mini-Walmart, because it will definitely be disruptive to existing businesses.

Thank for listening,  
Catherine Moné

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From: Grace Berreyesa <graceberreyesa@gmail.com>  
Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 5:30 AM  
Subject: Dollar General in Cool  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Cool has small, local stores that serve our community. When a large company muscles their way into such communities, they drive out the smaller businesses. This type of situation does not benefit the greater community, therefore I would like to voice a strong opinion AGAINST allowing this type of development.  
Thank you.

Sent from my iPad

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From: Jillian Jones <jilliankbjones@gmail.com>  
Date: Sat, Jun 13, 2020 at 6:01 AM  
Subject: Cool Dollar General  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

To whom it may concern:

I do not believe the Dollar General project should be allowed to continue. A store of such low standards does not stand to improve the small, neat community of Cool. It only stands to detract from the appeal of the vicinity.

Sincerely,  
Jillian Jones

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Julie Saylor <julie.saylor@edcgov.us>



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From: Barry Armstrong <beetruenow@gmail.com>  
Date: Sun, Jun 14, 2020 at 10:34 AM  
Subject: Dollar General  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Let's focus on supporting locally owned businesses that seek to sell locally sourced products. Sourcing should be local-state-nation. We should not be complicit in China's unilateral war against the U.S. thinking that we are being financially responsible. As consumers we have a strong voice in determining economic policy that supports sustainable local economies. Barry Armstrong (Volanoville).

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From: Laurel Posey <l.p.trail.runner@gmail.com>  
Date: Sun, Jun 14, 2020 at 12:19 PM  
Subject: Appeal of Planning Commission's Approval of Dollar General, Cool CA  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Please see attached.

Thank you.

**Appeal of El Dorado County planning commission approval of Dollar General Cool CA.docx**  
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June 11, 2020

John Hidahl, District I  
Shiva Frentzen, District II  
Brian Veerkamp, District III  
Lori Parlin, District IV  
Sue Novasel, District V  
Board of Supervisors  
Placerville, CA 95667

RE: Appeal Dollar General, Cool CA

I am writing to request an appeal of the recent Planning Commission approval of the Dollar General in Cool, California.

Cool is a small rural community that deeply values its Gold Rush history. The addition of a Dollar General does not support or preserve the historic character of this area.

The local small businesses in Cool are struggling right now because of closures over the last several months due to Covid-19. The community relies on those businesses as they provide good quality local products. Allowing a non-local large chain business to locate in this community will make it that much harder on our locally owned businesses to survive. Dollar General has no ties or concern for the local community. They have a long history of moving into small communities and purposely working to put the small local businesses out of business. Leaving empty stores and lack of any viable alternative to their non-local, cheaply made and non-healthy products.

I request that an Economic Impact Study, by an independent consultant, be completed to evaluate the potential impact on existing business, plus the cumulative impact of the other proposed project, Grocery Outlet. These two projects will have a tremendous negative impact on this community and yet El Dorado County is processing these projects independently without any regard to the overall impact of both projects.

There does not appear to be any consideration given as to the environmental impact such a project will have on this area. Was an Environmental Impact Study completed prior to approval of this project? Without such a study the potential negative impact on the natural features or ecological function of the proposed site and the surrounding adjacent land will never be considered. How can El Dorado County ignore such an important aspect of the decision making process that should go into the approval or denial of this project?

There is a definite traffic issue that has not been addressed. Congestion is already an issue on Highway 49 near Northside Drive. Cars trying to exit the post office or other businesses that have Northside Drive as their access often cause a back-up trying to turn back onto Highway 49. Adding Dollar General into that Northside Drive area access will result in further congestion and make a hazardous driving situation that much worse. There are also issues concerning pedestrian traffic and the lack of any walkway along that portion of Highway 49. It appears that this project has been approved prior to obtaining feedback

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from Caltrans. Under normal circumstances it would seem that input should have been received and responded to by the developer's design team prior to El Dorado County giving approval for this project.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,  
Laurel Posey  
Cool, CA  
llp.trail.runner@gmail.com





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Julie Saylor <julie.saylor@edcgov.us>

**Fwd: Against Dollar General in Cool**

1 message

**EDC COB** <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Mon, Jun 15, 2020 at 1:01 PM

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From: Valerie Williams <tickledpink34@yahoo.com>  
Date: Mon, Jun 15, 2020 at 12:24 PM  
Subject: Against Dollar General in Cool  
To: edc.cob@edcgov.us <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

To whom it may concern,

My husband and I recently bought a home and moved to Cool. We moved here for the small town feel. We appreciate locally owned businesses and want to support them and the members of our community. We are against a Dollar General being built here. If we wanted to have access to these types of stores we would have stayed where we were at. Please take in to consideration of myself and many others that live in this area for the very same reason.

Valerie Williams  
Resident, Auburn Lake Trails

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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Julie Saylor <julie.saylor@edcgov.us>



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**EDC COB** <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Tue, Jun 16, 2020 at 8:24 AM

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From: Rachelle Hobbs <rachelletw@aol.com>  
Date: Tue, Jun 16, 2020 at 6:40 AM  
Subject: Dollar General in Cool  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

I am a concerned citizen who is against the Dollar General in Cool. Our local business's are struggling and we do not want big box stores ruining our community!!

Please reconsider your plans for this development!!

Thanks, Rachelle Hobbs



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**Fwd: Opposition to Dollar General in Cool California**

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EDC COB <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Thu, Jun 25, 2020 at 8:16 AM

To: The BOSONE <bosone@edcgov.us>, The BOSTWO <bostwo@edcgov.us>, The BOSFIVE <bosfive@edcgov.us>, The BOSTHREE <bosthree@edcgov.us>, The BOSFOUR <bosfour@edcgov.us>, Donald Ashton <don.ashton@edcgov.us>, Tiffany Schmid <tiffany.schmid@edcgov.us>, Breann Moebius <breann.moebius@edcgov.us>, Jeanette Salmon <jeanette.salmon@edcgov.us>, Julie Saylor <julie.saylor@edcgov.us>, Robert Peters <robert.peters@edcgov.us>

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From: Michael Little <michael.little530@gmail.com>  
Date: Thu, Jun 25, 2020 at 6:49 AM  
Subject: Opposition to Dollar General in Cool California  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

I have attached a letter in opposition to establishing a Dollar General Store in Cool California. I strongly urge the Board of Supervisors to reject the Dollar General proposal.

Mike Little

**Dollar General Opposition Letter.pdf**  
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6/25/2020

To: El Dorado County Board of Supervisors  
From: Michael Little  
6701 Bee Hive Court, Garden Valley, 95633

Subject: Opposition to Allowing a Dollar General Store in Cool

Dear Sir/Madame –

I have been a resident of a community adjacent to Cool for 12 years. I chose to retire to this beautiful rural area after having lived in Los Angeles County for the majority of my life. A Dollar General store in this area is absolutely inconsistent with our community! The increased traffic will be a safety hazard to both vehicles and the many bike riders in this community. The unsightly urban architecture of big-box stores such as Dollar General will spoil the aesthetics of our beautiful and historic area.

I urge the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors to preserve our rural way of life and reject the Dollar General proposal.



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Julie Saylor &lt;julie.saylor@edcgov.us&gt;

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## Fwd: Opposition to Cool Dollar General

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EDC COB &lt;edc.cob@edcgov.us&gt;

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From: Kelly Ahola <theriverboxes@gmail.com>  
Date: Thu, Jun 25, 2020 at 7:20 AM  
Subject: Opposition to Cool Dollar General  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

To Whom it May Concern:

I would like to express my concern and opposition to the proposed Dollar General store in Cool, CA. I have personal knowledge of this area and in my opinion Dollar General being there makes me concerned about the added traffic, which according to documents is "expected to generate a total of 578 daily trips, with roughly 11% or 62 trips during the p.m. peak hour" of 4:30-5:30pm. That is more than one vehicle per minute during rush hour, most of which would need to cross traffic to turn into and out of the parking lot. The proposed driveway can only accommodate 2 cars before backing up. This would overwhelm an already crowded intersection, on a segment of road that is already at Level of Service E which is unacceptable.

I am also concerned that the Cool Fire Station 72, kitty-corner to the proposed projects, would be hindered in its response time with the increased traffic congestion.

I am concerned that the Dollar General would harm our small business community (which has already taken a tremendous hit with Covid-19) and change the visual character of our area.

I strongly feel that this store does not fit in the neighborhood. It could also impact pedestrian safety, create potential traffic hazards, and be an eyesore.

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Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

K. N. Ahola  
Box 932  
Lotus, CA 95651

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From: Kolsoum Ginney <jginney@gmail.com>  
Date: Thu, Jun 25, 2020 at 7:25 AM  
Subject: Opposition to Cool store  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

We, as 40 year residents of EDC have seen many changes. This change would create no good. It would create congestion, take away local business, and possibly disrupt the quick dispatch of fire trucks in the area. We are against it.  
Jim & Kolsoum Ginney

Sent from my iPad



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From: Sarah Canfield <canfield.sarah@gmail.com>  
Date: Thu, Jun 25, 2020 at 9:20 AM  
Subject: Opposition to cool dollar store  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

It's a bad idea and I oppose it. To much traffic. It changes the rural nature of our community

Sarah canfield , registered voter, business owner and homeowner of 23 years  
441 coloma heights road, coloma





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Julie Saylor &lt;julie.saylor@edcgov.us&gt;

## Fwd: Dollar General and Grocery Outlet in Cool

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Thu, Jun 25, 2020 at 2:11 PM

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From: Steve & Jodi Bodick <sjbodick@comcast.net>  
Date: Thu, Jun 25, 2020 at 2:10 PM  
Subject: Dollar General and Grocery Outlet in Cool  
To: edc.cob@edcgov.us <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

To Whom it may Concern:

I am writing to strongly request that you deny the request made to approve a Dollar General and Grocery Outlet in Cool. Our small town currently has traffic issues, especially with the proximity of the American River Confluence. Over Father's Day weekend our existing resources were put to the test, 4 incidents in 3 days at the Confluence and a grass fire at the same time as one of the calls for service in the canyon. Our public safety resources are already taxed without adding more commercial space and the traffic that it may bring.

Another issue that can not be ignored, is the economic factor. We currently have commercial spaces that are not rented. Why add more, this will create more hardship for the current property owners. Next, think about the existing businesses in Cool. Most are small and family owned businesses. Bringing in a company like Dollar General will undermine our existing business and climate. We don't want our current businesses to go under at the hands of corporations that have little concern for the towns they invade.

Please DO NOT APPROVE Dollar General and Grocery Outlet, Cool doesn't need these types of businesses or the clientele they usually support.

Sincerely,  
Jodi Bodick



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Julie Saylor &lt;julie.saylor@edcgov.us&gt;

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**Fwd: Opposition to Cool Dollar General**

1 message

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Mon, Jun 29, 2020 at 8:30 AM

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From: Jillian Jones <jilliankbjones@gmail.com>  
 Date: Fri, Jun 26, 2020 at 8:45 PM  
 Subject: Opposition to Cool Dollar General  
 To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am strongly opposed to the construction of a Dollar General in Cool. I frequently drive both to and through the community of Cool and I genuinely feel a Dollar General would detract rather than add to the community.

Cool is a very small, very quaint, very "cool" community along scenic Highway 49. The construction of a cheap goods store very much detracts from the feel of the community. It also poses a large issue of traffic. The projected visitation of 578 daily trips would greatly overwhelm an already crowded intersection serving as the sole route between Coloma and Auburn. Small communities like Cool were not built to handle the consumerism of other generic cities. I believe small communities such as Cool serve best as beacons of idiosyncrasy which entice passersby to stop and explore a new area with new offerings, not a venue they can find in Anywhere, USA.

Please maintain the individuality of our small community and do not allow the construction of a Dollar General in Cool.

Best,  
 Jillian Jones



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From: rachel schindler <rachel\_schindler@yahoo.com>  
 Date: Sat, Jun 27, 2020 at 9:10 AM  
 Subject: Opposition to Cool Dollar General  
 To: edc.cob@edcgov.us <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Hello Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in opposition to the Dollar General and Grocery Outlet stores that are being proposed in Cool. I have owned my house in Auburn Lake Trails since 1990. I have enjoyed the small town living here and would be concerned the low value stores would take away from the quaint atmosphere that we enjoy in Cool and on the divide. I have a concern for safety also. I have seen an increase in traffic to get off the divide for my commute to work. In case of emergency we only have 2 escape routes. Increased traffic and congestion in Cool could impede evacuations when they are necessary. The Holiday Market and the small stores we have are a good fit for our community, but I don't think the low value chain stores are.

Thank you,

Rachel Schindler



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Julie Saylor <julie.saylor@edcgov.us>

**Fwd: Dollar General Robbery Magnet**

1 message

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Mon, Jun 29, 2020 at 8:41 AM

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From: Michael McIntyre <steelhead1953@gmail.com>  
Date: Sat, Jun 27, 2020 at 10:26 AM  
Subject: Dollar General Robbery Magnet  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/money/companies/dollar-general-is-cheap-popular-and-spreading-across-america-it-s-also-a-robbery-magnet-police-say/ar-BB160qWa?li=BBnfcN&ocid=edgsp>

Just what we need in Cool. I believe this is another reason not to have Dollar General in our neighborhood.

Michael McIntyre  
Cool, Ca.95614



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Julie Saylor <julie.saylor@edcgov.us>

**Fwd: Opposition to dollar general in Cool**

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From: <chrishale7@yahoo.com>  
Date: Sat, Jun 27, 2020 at 9:06 PM  
Subject: Opposition to dollar general in Cool  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

I am strongly opposed to Dollar General building a store in Cool. My husband and I just moved here in April to get away from the congestion and traffic closer to the city. There is a certain aesthetic and small town feel here. Dollar General would not only create more traffic, but it would cheapen the whole area which in turn detracts from the lifestyle of people on this area. This is not a town for big chain stores, we need to protect the peace and sense of community here that local small businesses bring. I want to shop where the owners are involved and know you by name. Not where you're just another number.

Chris  
Sent from my iPhone



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Julie Saylor <julie.saylor@edcgov.us>  
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**Fwd: How dollar stores became magnets for crime and killing**

1 message

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From: **Catherine Moné** <cjmone@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Jun 29, 2020 at 8:07 AM  
Subject: Fwd: How dollar stores became magnets for crime and killing  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Yikes. Please pass to the board.

Catherine Moné

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From: **ProPublica's Big Story** <newsletters@lists.propublica.net>  
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Subject: How dollar stores became magnets for crime and killing  
To: <CJMONE@gmail.com>



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## How Dollar Stores Became Magnets for Crime and Killing

Discount chains are thriving — while fostering violence and neglect in poor communities.

by Alec MacGillis



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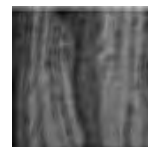
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A \$2.4 million deal to supply the Bureau of Prisons with surgical gowns was the second multimillion dollar contract for coronavirus supplies that went to somebody who did work for the White House but had little relevant experience.

by Derek Willis and Yeganeh Torbati



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The Trump administration has doubled down on its claims that coronavirus case counts are up because the U.S. has increased testing. However, a closer look at graphs of testing numbers and positive cases shows that this isn't the case for many states.

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by J. David McSwane



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**Fwd: July 14, 2020 Hearing re Proposed Dollar General Store in Cool**

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Date: Mon, Jun 29, 2020 at 9:32 AM  
Subject: July 14, 2020 Hearing re Proposed Dollar General Store in Cool  
To: <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

To: El Dorado County - Board of Supervisors:

On July 14, 2020 @ 2:00 p.m., you will review the appeal of the proposed Dollar General store in Cool (at the intersection of 49 & 193). As a resident of Cool, I strongly urge you to reject this project.

Below I provide you with information on how dollar stores impact communities. You have the power to protect us. Please do not introduce these issues to our local community!

Best,  
Margaret Slemmer

Dollar General stores contribute to declines in economic and public health. It is perpetuating the cycle of poverty and wealthy corporate executives squeezing more blood from the stone of the lower and middle classes. The company's corporate strategy is to target low-income urban and rural communities that have limited access to retail/grocery stores.

Statistics show that in small rural towns, local grocery stores have reported a 30 percent decline in sales after the introduction of a dollar store to an area. (see: [https://ilsr.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Dollar\\_Store\\_Fact\\_Sheet.pdf](https://ilsr.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/12/Dollar_Store_Fact_Sheet.pdf)). In Cool, we have a lovely, employee-owned grocery store and other local businesses. The mid- to long-term impact of Dollar General is

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to displace our full-service grocery stores, eliminate jobs, and undercut competition from other retailers and small businesses.

Dollar General many times ends up as a replacement for grocery stores in the inner cities and rural communities; dollar stores are poor substitutes for a supermarket. More than plugging market gaps, dollar stores perpetuate and exacerbate community economic decline as a "secondary invasive species." Dollar stores provide little if any fresh food, create few jobs, and provide few economic multipliers for a local economy. (see <https://www.npr.org/2017/12/11/569815331/loving-and-hating-dollar-general-in-rural-america> and <https://ilsr.org/dollar-stores-target-cities-towns-one-fights-back/>)

Dollar General plays as an economic force in creating the customer base it's come to depend on. By ensuring as few job opportunities as possible through a minimization of staff, the amount of job opportunities will only minimally impact our local employment rates. Employees are essentially forced into becoming the exact customer base for which Dollar General exists, and the more stores that are opened will serve to maintain the status quo of paying wages that an individual cannot live on.



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## Dollar General Public Comment

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Please see the attached public comment cards regarding the Dollar General that was received in the mail today.

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I object to this project on the grounds that the increased traffic will create unsafe driving conditions at the 49 and 193 intersection. Vehicles attempting to cross traffic to turn into and out of the proposed store parking lot will create even more severe traffic backups. Our intersections are already failing. I also believe there will be a significant economic damage to our existing local stores that will result in retail vacancies and blight in our small community.

Dollar General is incompatible with our small community. I join with many of the neighbors and local business owners in the Cool-Pilot Hill area in opposing this project. I urge the Board of Supervisors to reject this project.

NAME: Leslie Campe  
ADDRESS: 5361 QUAIL Hollow Court Pilot  
PHONE: 530 333 5949  
EMAIL: leslie.campe3@gmail.com  
SIGNATURE: [Handwritten Signature]

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NAME: Carol Bloss  
ADDRESS: 2360 Big Strike Trl  
PHONE: 530 823 1830  
EMAIL: hounds2horses@yahoo.com  
SIGNATURE: Carol Bloss

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NAME: LISA MAHLE  
ADDRESS: 4057 Redwood Way  
PHONE: 916-232-8162  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE: Lisa Mahle

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SIGNATURE: JH

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NAME: Paige Murchison  
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PHONE: (530) 368-7660  
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**Fwd: Appeal of Cool General**

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Subject: Appeal of Cool General  
To: edc.cob@edcgov.us <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

To the wonderful and helpful and probably overworked clerk of the board,  
Could you please add this statement to the public comments on the Cool General Appeal for the meeting on July 14th? Thank you so much!

To the Supervisors of the County of El Dorado, individually and collectively:

As you are aware, the proposal of a Cool General has met with much opposition from the residents of Cool and the Divide in general. You have received many public comments explaining the objections; I will not repeat them. Instead, I wish to remind you of some ideals, a vision, a mission statement, accountability and retention. These comments are copied from your own plans and core values. Therefore, I hold you to them. I believe they are meant to guide each of you in your creation of the general plan and amendments, as well as the ordinances you approve.

The statements below are taken from the 2019 El Dorado County Strategic Plan: <https://www.edcgov.us/Government/CAO/StrategicPlan>

County Vision

Safe, healthy and vibrant communities, respecting our natural resources and historical heritage.

This is a powerful statement, especially the phrase 'respecting our natural resources and historical heritage'. While I have not been researching the county's development projects for a long time, I have learned that there is a disconnect between this phrase and some, maybe most, of the approved projects. In regards to the Cool General



project, these ideals have been mitigated with money and prospects of tax revenue. You state in other places that you value the oak woodlands, yet when push comes to shove, you approve the cutting down of oak trees in exchange for money and the planting of baby trees in some place many of us will never see. This is not a display of respect. It is an apparently legal method of using your discretion to favor outside corporations with billions of dollars to spend at the cost of the vision you are required to uphold. You believe that you are meeting your responsibilities to our historical heritage by cutting down a Heritage Tree. How does that make sense? Unless mitigation is required by law, which I don't think it is, couldn't you disallow the project on the basis of the trees if you really want to protect resources and heritage? If you are not able to deny the project based on its 'by right' status, isn't that glorious tree a way to respect your community?

#### County Mission

El Dorado County government shall provide efficient, courteous, and effective services and infrastructure for safety, protection, and well-being of our residents, businesses and visitors.

Mission Statements are meant to guide decisions and inform the public of the government's views. I cannot find anything in this mission statement that is reflected in the decision to approve the Cool General. Yes, it is 'just the design review approval' stage, but is there anything that follows in the approval process that will suddenly show us that you have incorporated the County Mission in your final approval? Will you be able to describe to us how the 'well-being of our residents' has been applied in this case? Will you show the owners of the small businesses belonging to actual residents of the county how they are being protected by building a fairly disreputable corporate store in their location? Are there no rights assigned to current business owners? To the Heritage Tree? Will it always be the case that the guy with the most money wins? Use of the word 'shall' implies that the protections will happen, not that they might or should or anything else. Let us see your explanation.

#### CORE VALUES

##### Accountability

Responsible for our decisions and behavior. Creating a safe work environment where we are answerable to our citizens, co-workers, superiors, direct reports and other stakeholders.

I have little experience with the Board. In fact, the only meeting I was able to attend was concerning the Dollar General proposed for Georgetown. In that meeting, while the project was being approved, Supervisor Ranalli made a statement that has both frightened me and driven me. He stated, roughly, that there was nothing in the General Plan that said we couldn't approve it and that we should have said something before (voting for the plan) if we didn't like it. Having never heard the words general plan before, I was shocked to find that such a situation existed. Now I know the general plan is approved, and fairly frequently amended, by the Board. May I assume that you consider your accountability when you agree to mitigation and amendments to the plan and even the plan itself? Do you see that nowhere in your accountability does it say that you are answerable to outside businesses, but instead are answerable to your citizens for your decisions and behavior? Other 'core values' appear to be related to internal business.

##### Strategic Goals, Themes and Priorities

Retain, develop and attract businesses that provide economic sustainability and quality job creation

Retain is the important word here, as the project threatens the sustainability of the small businesses that currently depend on the community to survive. Retention is the priority and theme of this statement. Do you have the power needed to comply with your chosen goal? Do you believe that Cool General will provide 'quality job creation'? There was mention, perhaps in CEQA, of there being roughly 4 part time jobs and a manager. Part time cashiering and stocking are

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certainly jobs, but are they the kinds of jobs that allow workers to pay rent, provide for their families and buy medical insurance? Couldn't the county reach a little higher for the sake of their residents? You mentioned 'stakeholders' in your accountability statement. Do part time poorly paid retail workers feel they have a stake in their county? It would be far more purposeful to work at attracting businesses that would provide quality jobs for the rural residents so that they can help with economic sustainability.

There remain many more ideals in the 2019 strategic plan, including transparency, honesty, integrity and inclusion. It is clear that the Board wants what is best for the county and its citizens. Unfortunately the apparent need to develop the county commercially and residentially is at odds with the values and vision stated above. Clearly we need more businesses here, both for sales tax revenue and shorter vehicle miles driven. We definitely need affordable housing, which needs to be required as part of the approval of all the middle class housing being built. El Dorado County has amenities that no other county has. Instead of improving on these and increasing their value, the county keeps paving over its agricultural land, cutting down its Heritage Trees and turning into another East Bay. At what point do you stop approving this growing urban sprawl?

I realize my passionate dislike of Dollar General type stores is irrelevant for the most part. I have several reasons for this dislike, which are surely also irrelevant. I do want to point out, though, that in my limited experience of these stores, they tend to be located in strip malls, disintegrating places, poorer communities and few upscale locations. I don't know if they are the chicken or the egg, but it would be disgraceful to allow Cool to become a strip mall or a disintegrating place. It would also be equally unfortunate if more interesting retailers decided against Cool because of the presence of a dollar store. Nor will the store improve property values for the neighborhood. How many home buyers exclaim, "Oh, look! It even has a dollar store!" when shopping for a house in the country?

I am here to help out in any way I can to make your goals and vision and mission statement come true.

Sincerely,

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