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Neighbors Mobilize Against Big-Box

Neighbors in the [Roseway](#) and [Madison South](#) neighborhoods are mobilizing against a new "big box" development planned across the street from Madison High School.

Canadian Developer [SmartCentre](#) has requested a conditional use permit from the City of Portland to build a 240,000 square foot commercial development on an old land fill. The land is currently zoned for a 60,000 square foot building - the size of your neighborhood Safeway or New Seasons.

Jeff shares neighbors concerns that such a large scale development would only worsen [the dangerous traffic conditions on NE 82nd](#) and that cars would spill into the surrounding residential blocks.

If approved, SmartCentre's development would be the largest single development anywhere on 82nd Avenue. While the company is mum on its plans for an anchor tenant, its website boasts that SmartCentre develops "large-scale, unenclosed shopping centre[s] ... the majority anchored by a Wal-Mart store".

If you'd like to get involved in the fight against the big-box, join neighbors this Saturday at 3:30 in Glenhaven Park on 82nd and Siskiyou to help them spread the word.

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