7 Reasons to say NO to 7 Eleven

There is surplus of Slurpees in our area

There are already two 7 Elevens in less than a mile radius. 6 convenience stores total in the loop from Lombard to Fessenden connected by St. Louise and the streets that run by Roosevelt

This 7 Eleven is too close to a local favorite St. Johns Deli and Grocery

We don't want to see anymore locally owned small businesses shut their doors. Having 7 Eleven right next to St. Johns Deli and Grocery means Kevin and his employees face real loses.

This lot is in the PDC Urban Renewal District

The mission of the PDC is "to bring together resources to achieve Portland's vision of a diverse, sustainable community with healthy neighborhoods, etc" **Sounds nice on** paper but when a dollar store and another 7 Eleven can set up shop in an Urban Renewal Area a diverse, health neighborhood is not being accomplished.

Crime and Traffic

There is already high volumes of traffic in this area. With a stop and go convenience store many of us parents worry about further increase in traffic right next to the bus stop. We have not seen real solutions to these traffic concerns being proposed since the structural changes to the street are not in the plans.

Shootings, graffiti and robbers have been on many of our minds lately because we don't just read about it in the news it is happening by our homes. Having another 24 hour convenience store will certainly not help in this area.

7 Eleven will welcome visitors to St. Johns

People will see the 7 Eleven feet away from our welcome to St. Johns sign. Not the kind of welcome that is warm and inviting.

Once it's built an opportunity is lost

The lot has so much potential given it size. What would you like to see there? A community garden, indoor recreational space for families or a permanent space for our farmers market?