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City of Hamilton

April 29, 2016

Public Works Committee

RE: Bump outs between Lottridge and Barnesdale

Dear Committee:

Further to our correspondence to this committee of April 3rd, 2016, we, the residents, and businesses of this community continue to be concerned about the City's plans for traffic re-routing when construction of LRT on King Street is undertaken. We were told informally by an individual in the Public Works Department that this will result in the removal of the bump outs on Barton between Lottridge and Barnesdale, and the return of a rush hour, no parking, five-lane traffic route.

The city staff person also indicated that there is an unofficial moratorium on any street improvements until the LRT is completed. Work is not anticipated to begin on LRT until 2019 with a suggested completion of 2024. That means we could be facing up to eight-plus years of neglect!

Residents of this community and business owners on Barton Street are very concerned.

There has been overwhelming support for the bump-outs, and their loss, even temporarily, would have an enormously detrimental effect on the businesses and residents of this street. Small children and parents walk along Barton on their way to local schools and shops. People, many who do not own or have access to cars, ride their bikes on errands.

We again request that the bump-outs and day-long (including rush-hour) parking be preserved and made permanent to ensure safety, calm traffic and improve the public realm. It is a testament to the commitment and engagement of area residents and businesses and a proud Pan Am legacy for our community.

Yours very truly,

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A copy of the petition is available for viewing in the
Office of the City Clerk.