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**Subject:** Dundas alleyway

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I have sent this letter to the Mayor and individual councillors.

Please read this note

I would like to draw your attention to the impact of the decision to sell the historic Dundas laneway between Victoria and Alma at the Public Works committee hearing at City Hall. Myself and hundreds of others are rather astounded at the decision. When does democracy take a back step to one person who has already done things contrary to rules and his behaviour is condoned without consequences?

I urge you to consider or reconsider your upcoming vote. Simply because the councillor for Ward 13 is pro-sale that does not mean her constituents agree or that internal politics follow that lead. In broader terms the sale and final closure of this lane further represents a negative altering of the Dundas landscape and perhaps for the present and future in decisions regarding the area, the community and likely proceed city wide. It seems personal agendas, including the city's, and municipal bureaucracy and politics can be unalterably damaging and narrowly focused. Damaging the heritage and community of Dundas in this case precludes emphasizing the positive aspects. I do not expect councillors and their fiefdoms to all know and recognize the impact this does and will have. Myself and concerned constituents are opposed. The entire council should consider and do what is RIGHT. The article written by Andrew Dreschel in the Spec on Friday, June 22 emphasizes many of the specific points to which I heartily agree. Please do not make a decision which has many issues and is irrevocable.

regards, t. Jenkins