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Subject: Closing the Public Laneway in Dundas

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Hopefully this email reaches you before your vote on the proposed sale of the public laneway in Dundas. I live 2 blocks from the laneway, and while I do walk my dogs along the laneway from time to time, I do not have any nostalgia regarding the laneway. Old maps of Dundas show the laneway extended all the way to King Street, so the fight to save the laneways probably should have happened 50 + years ago.

What concerns me about the sale of the laneway are two bigger issues. Dundas seems to want to play up its historical significance, and yet the closing of the laneway seems to contradict the general desire by the residents in Dundas to preserve the historic character. Strikes me that if you want to promote the historical character of Dundas, then you need to actually preserve some it. The second thing that disturbs me about the laneway issue has been the response of our councilor Arlene VanderBeek. I have been present at public meetings where I have heard and witnessed promises and facts the councilor has either conveniently forgotten or completely misrepresented. I will be surprised if she is re-elected in the next election, but I would also hope the rest of the council will not be swayed by the misinformation and hidden agenda of one its councilors who clearly does not accurately reflect the wishes of her constituents.

Thank you for you time and your consideration. Please vote against the sale of the public laneway in Dundas.

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