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Subject: Public Laneway Initiative

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Members of Council

I am writing to oppose the closure and sale of the public laneway between Victoria and Alma Streets in Dundas. It has been in use for 160 years without any injuries to pedestrians - adults or children. To suggest that it is safer to walk/drive on Sydenham St is ludicrous.

Any private citizen's assumption that they can block, then purchase, a public strip of land sets an illegal precedent, not to mention putting a dirty smudge on the reputation of our town and its government.

I lived at the corner of Sydenham and Alma from 1981-1985 and 1991-2001. I used and enjoyed the laneway often. I was surprised to see it blocked to drivers and pedestrians. I am not alone in opposing its closure and subsequent sale.

Please vote "NO" or at least give the Municipal Heritage Committee an opportunity to consider this issue.

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