

To Whom it Concerns:

Subject: Public Messaging in the Community – Nuisances”

I am a person with a disability and use a wheelchair for mobility. On a number of occasions I have been downtown especially at Richmond and Dundas, Market and the Central Library; where I has encountered people messaging about Jesus and disgraceful comments toward women and persons with disabilities.

Issues:

- These persons would block the sidewalk so persons with any mobility have to go around onto the road into traffic to avoid them.
- They try to prevent and block my way if I try to go further on the sidewalk.
- -Shout insults at me with humiliating and undignfying remarks
- Sometimes I fear being hit with the sign they sometimes carried or because of their body language
- They it feel unsafe going downtown
- Sometimes there is more than one and they will try to circle the person

I see this happen not just to women, persons with disabilities but if you have young children in a stroller the same issues.

-We need a community the feels safe, respect and honor each other not feel that you can't enjoy going downtown or any community event to listen to this or be harassed.

I give permission to add this to the agenda and place on the website. I also would like to ask for delegation status to speak to the item at the May 29th meeting.

Please feel free to contact me for any further information.

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