

Hi Betty.

I hope that you are having a great day.

I just wanted to send a quick email as I will not be able to attend the meeting on the 1st of October.

I just want to start off by saying Trowbridge Ave was a beautiful and quiet street. It was the appeal of the street with its tree lined canopy and low traffic that helped us make the decision to buy. Our house backs onto the Woodland Cemetery another thing that was a buying feature for us 5 years ago.

Once construction on the medical centre on Springbank Drive started we knew we were in trouble for the duration of the construction because a lot of the pickup trucks, heavy trucks and person vehicles of the works all parked on our street, blocking both sides of the street.

Then, once I saw the fence around the lot and the parking barriers go up, that was it. I knew that people would be using our street as a parking lot.

Since the opening of the medical centre we have seen the traffic on our street soar. It's awful.

This is a list of things that have been happening.

- there is a constant flow of people turning around in everyones driveway, especially those who live on the west side of the road (parking is only allowed on the west)

- the traffic starts at about 8:30am. noise pollution at this time, as my husband works shifts and peoples cars are constantly scraping their undercarriage of the car on our driveway.

- there are no sidewalks so one has to walk in the middle of the road

- the parking blocks the garbage pick ups

- people have no respect for our lawns, people walk all over the grass, spit, and throw out their cigarettes

- several times people have blocked half of the entrance of our driveway by parking too far forward or too far back

- the street has become a nightmare to get out of because of all of the turning around and backing up

- the lack of privacy is an issue too

- darker mornings and early sunset...lights shining in the windows of headlights

- the crosswalk located on Springbank was for kids crossing to go to school. Now it is in constant use blocking the flow of traffic on Springbank.

What about the winter snow removal, our street used to get cleaned quite nicely, now the snow plough will have to go around all of the cars

and as the medical centre gets busier and busier, this is going to get worse.

Please make our street NO PARKING from 8am - 4pm on the weekdays.

The area around Brescia college has made their streets no parking and it works for the residents of that neighbourhood and all around the university

It's not like it's a downtown medical centre where you expect to pay for parking and kind of expect parking on the city streets. Residents are prepared for that buying a home near the core but not in the subdivision.

I believe that the majority of the residents on our road will agree that it has become a major annoyance and can't be tolerated any more.

Please let us have our street back. Back to the way everyone liked when they purchased their property.

It is a residential area, not a parking lot.

Thank you very much for your time.

Stephanie Martin