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Due to work related activities I am unable to attend this evening meeting. Please accept the following comments in my absence.

Having developed one of the longest standing businesses in London which utilizes cycling as a mode of distribution, in the core and especially in Old east village, I would like to request extreme caution when deciding on the future of Dundas St with regards to cycling lanes.

As a proprietor who founded and continues to operate a restaurant on Dundas st, which employs 25 people, I am gravely concerned with the complete removal of parking on the South side of Dundas St. A change of this magnitude without a robust plan to provide support to the businesses in OEV is a proposition that poses a great threat to these family owned and operated enterprises. If a change of this magnitude is to occur, I deeply hope it would include planning and robust funding to support these businesses through the 3-5 year transition window that it will take for cyclists to potentially infill the business vacuum made by removing these very necessary parking services. On The Move Organics and The Root Cellar have, and continue to be, very loud and proud advocates of cycling infrastructure in London. We will continue to do so in the future.

However, the complete removal of the on street parking from the south side of Dundas must be paralleled by supports that will aid in the 3-5 year transition window for these small family businesses.

Thank you ,

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Cordially,

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