

Re. Agenda for CVC Meeting February 9th, 2021

I am writing concerning the proposed plan to build a sidewalk on Doncaster Place. This is a short, dead-end, non-connecting road, with 11 single dwelling houses. I have been a resident here for many years and see absolutely in wasting precious money building one.

In mentioning roads for proposed sidewalks, you list Friars Way, but funnily enough not Doncaster Ave.

I note a lot of trees (30) would have to be removed on Friars Way. Trees here, are a good 50 years old and in good shape. A shame if they are removed and people lose that shade from their home in the summer, meaning more a/c and green house gas emissions!

While I appreciate your reasoning for safer walking with sidewalks, that cannot be held true especially around here in winter. I use a cane to walk, and walk on the road, usually in the middle where the plow has been and the surface has dried. The edges are usually wet/frozen and unsafe. The nearest sidewalk for me is on Wychwood, but I do not use it as it gets too icy and rutted. So again, I believe sidewalks would be a waste of time and money. Money, which I think would be better put towards our Covid deficit.

Finally, please advise me what exactly I meant by the statement at the bottom of Page 41 of your agenda, which begins... "Introducing sidewalks- - increases the ability for women and girls to walk ..."

I would appreciate knowing the reason as to why women and girls have been singled out.

Thank you for your time,

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