

Elaine Henley

From: [REDACTED] >
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2019 3:06 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Comment re: application on 46 Kenmount Road (East of Mall Access at Polina Road)

Hello,

Adding a drive-thru restaurant at 46 Kenmount Road is not a good idea. As a person who walks or bikes to the Avalon Mall fairly often, I find the car traffic difficult enough to navigate in this area as it is.

Adding a drive-through near the point of ingress/egress to the mall parking lot will cause more danger at this location, as added driveways create more opportunity for conflict and miscommunication among members of traffic.

Moreover, drive-throughs are bad for people's health in multiple dimensions -- they cause car idling and so cause air pollution; they eliminate small walking trips that are important for physical health.

All the best,

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 9:27 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: Application 46 Kenmount road

Hello,

Regarding the application for permit for a coffee shop with drive through in the parking lot of the Avalon Mall, I am quite concerned about the line up of cars in the drive through. Typically these shops have very long line ups of cars waiting especially at the times of day already congested with the heaviest traffic. Moving the traffic light to Polina Road has finally brought some sense to that intersection and as a person living in the neighbourhood, I use that intersection once or twice a day to enter the mall or Kenmount Road. The new configuration is fantastic and I hope that it doesn't get messed up with a poorly designed flow in and out of a coffee shop.

I ask that very serious consideration be given to the traffic flow in an out of the new coffee shop and how the back up of traffic into the drive through will affect the general traffic in the area. I hope the entrance into the shop will be from within the mall parking lot proper and not from either Kenmount or the mall access road across from Polina road. Do not add more traffic entering and turning at these points that are already highly congested.

Thank you for this consideration.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 3:22 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: 46 Kenmount Road - East

I am against the use of drive-thrus. Typically, a car using a drive-thru emits at least three times as much greenhouse gas as it would if it parked and started up again. (The car driver also gets less exercise.) Given the worsening climate crises, there is no excuse for drive-thrus, in my opinion. I saw in the news recently that the city of Minneapolis has decided to not approve any new drive-thrus. I think St. John's should do likewise.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2019 3:27 PM
To: CityClerk
Subject: 46 Kenmount Road - East

Hi,

Drive-thrus add to traffic congestion and danger. They introduce more idling & slow-moving traffic, and encourage drivers to sit still in a roadway because they are "in line" and "have to." A drive-thru is bad for the health of the people in the cars, the people around the cars, and the employees serving the window.

It is an impressively inefficient way to sell or serve food (or any service), enormously increases congestion and vehicle traffic, and discourages active transport (as drive-thrus are typically prioritized over walk-in customers). This is bad for the city, bad for the inhabitants of the city, and marginally beneficial only to the bottom-line of the restaurant.

City council should be taking steps to make the residents healthier, happier, safer, and richer. All of these aims are achieved by a reduction in the number of drive-thrus in the city.

Cheers,

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