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To Whom it Might Concern:

It has come to my attention that there has again surfaced the concept of closing streets in Fairhaven to create walking-only areas. Because of the already tight parking conditions in the District I would discourage any such thinking until adequate parking has been provided. (I am also not aware that those property owners or businesses facing on to the streets recommended to be closed have been consulted as to their views on the matter....)

The preferred model of Fairhaven *may be* that of a walking area, but that happens only once one gets there. Only those who live within a few block radius have the luxury of leaving the car at home. The rest who see Fairhaven as a destination, and who support the businesses there, come primarily by car. To think otherwise is short-sighted, wishful thinking, and moving in a direction that would be very detrimental to the financial viability of the area.

Regards,
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