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Kevin came home and filled me in as I was not aware that I could watch it online until a friend of mine contacted me saying how proud she was of Kevin as she was watching it on the live stream!

I am disappointed that six of the people who spoke represented three homes as that is not a fair representation for our street. Many of the people who have raised voices against sidewalks do NOT look at the bigger picture, as to the changing over of the neighborhood. They do not have young children and are not showing any concern for future generations.

I have spoken to a few people that said they would NOT move on to Strathcona as it is too busy of a street to raise children. This is something that Kevin and I are very passionate about and have been since our children were small and cars would honk at us as we were walking on the side of the road. It is NOT safe at all for young kids to walk to school or to the park.

Kevin and I have one car, which I take to work, he walks everyday to school with the kids and very often to the market at the end of the street. Having a sidewalk on Strathcona would hopefully encourage people to get out of their cars and walk to the market, which would be better for the environment, a bigger change then the small loss of our front lawns!

Hoping that the council will look at the bigger picture, and NOT just to the voices that spoke last night...

Thanks for all that you do, Kevin and I truly appreciate it.

Take care and we are keeping our fingers crossed for tomorrow's vote.

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