

Councillor, Paul Sharman
cc: Mayor, Marianne Mead Ward
Manager, Janine Yaromich

2 January, 2024

Re: Bromley Road Sidewalk Infil Report: T.S. -01-24

My wife, Christina and I, living [REDACTED] find and strongly argue and opionate, that the sidewalk proposal 4A and it's requests are "not fair" to all the people affected in the neighbourhood and, especially those directly and negatively impacted.

The following points are raised and would be fully explained, if and when:

1. The impacted home owners need more than 3 days to review a most cumbersome, technical staff report and be able to produce a proper report/response. Without doubt, there are neighbours still on Christmas holidays and some who can not take time off to attend a morning meeting.
2. It is not possible to properly and accurately respond as there is not a final detailed map showing how each individual home owner is specifically impacted, namely, trees, landscaping, location of sidewalk, loss of driveway parking space. Each owner has the "right to know" how his property is directly impacted. "Not acceptable" and I specifically request a copy of the final staff plan that is being forwarded. I request this plan before noon on 4 December, 2024. To recommend and vote without these specifics is absolutely wrong and distressing to any home owners impacted.
3. Related to the above and regarding full process transparency, I find it most unbelievable that there was no public meeting held to explain how staff recommended this final 4A proposal. For instance, what are the specifics that the south side of Bromley is better than the north side, when at the initial public meeting at Tansley, both sides were identified as totally good options. "Not Acceptable"
4. Burlington has a tree" By-Law" which is most positive, pro-active and strongly protects the removal/damaging of mature, healthy and stately trees and also to maintain and enhance a green environment.
To destroy or even think of removing any trees in this proposal is wrong and shameful,. There is no need, and contrary to the purpose of the Tree By-Law, I cannot fathom the removal of any mature tree for a 'SLAB OF CONCRETE'.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION:

I would like to present, with elaboration, the above points at the 8 January, 2024 Committee Meeting. However, to do so, I respectfully request a copy of the final detailed 4A map by noon 4 January, 2024.

Should I not have the final detailed map, or have the right to look at it, I then respectfully request that the proposal be re-scheduled to a later date when a final map is available and giving to all"

(a) Councillors

(b) Homeowners and those directly impacted a proper time opportunity to fairly respond, either for or against sidewalks, by means of holding a second open public meeting.

My overall reaction is to be fair to all homeowners in this proposal. I do not find it so. One-side sidewalks are not equitable, and should sidewalks be absolutely necessary, then they be built on both sides of the street.

Should the above not be acceptable, then my wife and I recommend that the current neighbourhood status be retained , namely NO SIDEWALKS.....

THANK YOU... RICHARD MOSKAL