

## Planning and Growth Management Committee

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**Subject:** My comments for 2018.PG29.4 on May 1, 2018 Planning and Growth Management Committee

To the City Clerk:

Please add my comments to the agenda for the May 1, 2018 Planning and Growth Management Committee meeting on item 2018.PG29.4, TOcore: Downtown Plan Official Plan Amendment

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Comments:

The curb has become the most contested part of city streets. “Where is my Uber, UPS and PizzaPizza supposed to stop?”

As someone who has raised this issue at numerous community consultation meetings and OMB hearings, I was hoping to see something in the Downtown Plan under 8. Mobility ... Parking and Curbside Management.

Existing buildings (both residential and commercial) must somehow adapt to the new reality of bike lanes, e-commerce, and ride-hail services. But City Planning, with input from Transportation Services, needs to assess new development on the basis of its ability to “internalize” rather than “externalize” such activity ... in other words, assess its ability to accommodate UPS/Uber/PizzaPizza pick-ups and drop-offs within its own site rather than adding to curbside chaos.

Could this translate into policy with additional wording (in italics) such as this?

8.28. Pick-ups and drop-offs, loading and parking activity shall be encouraged off-street wherever reasonable and practical to free up curbside space. *New development applications in the downtown shall be assessed from the perspective of internalizing rather than externalizing curbside activity.*

Thank you

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