September 17, 2017

To: Chair and Members, Public Works and Infrastructure Committee (PWIC)

Re: 23.8 - Free-Floating Car-Share Pilot and Interim Policy

We have reviewed the proposal to allow car-share companies to participate in the permit parking program.

The Grange neighbourhood is one of the closest residential neighbourhoods to the downtown core, and therefore we are concerned that our community does not become a “commuter parking lot”.

The objectives behind the proposal are laudable. However, we have the following questions:

- Why is the length of term for the permits longer than residents are able to obtain? The proposal has permits being issued for 13 months from March 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019. Currently, permits for residents are 6 months.

- Will the permits be standard for every vehicle so that they can be parked in any permit area? How will this be controlled for those areas which are already at capacity?

- Although the proposal requires the car-sharing companies to control “clustering”, will this information be reported to Transportation Services? Note that our neighbourhood supports the proposed definition of clustering.

Finally, we support the requirement that vehicles cannot be located in one position for more than 2 days.

Our Association wishes to be apprised of the evaluation reports arising from this pilot project.

Sincerely,

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