

To whom it may concern,

I am writing as a constituent of the city of Toronto who wants my neighbourhood to be more walkable.

Commercial rent is at an all time high, which puts smaller micro-business owners, aka sole-proprietors, in a tough situation; how does one build a business when you can't afford space in your neighbourhood (or any neighbourhood) and you're not allowed to work from your home?

Allowing commercial spaces in a retail neighborhood would level the playing field and allow business owners who don't have the same access to capital to build their businesses up. As well, it will make self-employment a viable strategy for those who are struggling in this horrible job market.

As a member of this community, it would allow me to support local businesses and communities as well as be able to walk and not drive to get to a cafe in the morning.

I hope you consider this email for your virtual meeting on October 30th as a counter to those small percentage of people opposing this.

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