

CORNWALL CITY COUNCIL

RE: FEEDBACK ON MOTION TO CLOSE PITT STREET

Dear City of Cornwall Clerk:

The Cornwall Chamber of Commerce supports the results of the DBIA survey of members conducted between May 13th, 2020 and May 15th, 2020. We can confirm it is consistent with many conversations the Chamber has had with Pitt Street merchants over the past four months.

Also identified in this same survey, was an overwhelming interest from downtown businesses that there be free parking in the downtown core. The Chamber intends to advance these conversations, in partnership with the DBIA, further with the City of Cornwall.

The Chamber was disappointed that there was so little time provided to consider the motion and compile a response. With more time to consider the matter, a more thorough, productive, and inclusive consultation could have been conducted.

Finally, the Chamber continues to support the creation of an Advisory Council to ensure that the reopening of the economy, following COVID-19, is free from disruption and allows our businesses to rebuild and to resume their important role as the economic engine of the City.

We would like to reiterate that the Chamber is always available to be the voice of business and to provide feedback from the business community to City Administration and City Council at any point in the policy or bylaw development process.

We look forward to following up on these matters in short time,



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