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MEMBERS OF COUNCEL

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GUESTS

REGARDING FOOD TRUCKS

AS A BUSINESS OWNER IN THE DOWNTOWN, WE ALREADY PAY COMMERCIAL TAXES OF APPROXIMATELY 10,000.00 PER YEAR FOR BRICKS AND MORTAR. A BIA LEVY FOR THEM TO ASSIST US IN PROMOTING OUR BUSINESSES (WHICH THIS DOES NOT SEEM TO BE THE CASE WITH THE PROMOTION OF FOOD TRUCKS IN OUR DOWNTOWN.)

THE BUSINESS ALSO PAYS APPROXIMATELY ANOTHER 10,000.00 PER YEAR ON COMMERCIAL INSURANCE. WE HAVE TO MAINTAIN OUR SIDEWALK, OUR PARKING LOT AND WE HAVE AN OUTSIDE COMPANY COME AND TAKE AWAY OUR WASTE (WHICH IS ANOTHER EXPENSE)

THE FOOD TRUCKS PAY A FLAT LICENSING FEE (THIS IS A BIA REQUEST). WE ARE ASSUMING EITHER THE TOWN OR THE BIA ARE TAKING CARE OF FOOD TRUCK WASTE AND THE BIA IS PROVIDING TABLES & CHAIRS CREATING A "PATIO" TYPE ENVIRONMENT.

WHAT THE BIA IS INTRODUCING WILL HAVE A HUGE IMPACT ON LOCAL BUSINESS AND IT WOULD HAVE BEEN PRUTEND THAT THE BIA HAD REACHED OUT IN PERSON, JUST LIKE THE WAY THEY DID AFTR THEY POSTED ON FACEBOOK ABOUT THE EVENT EVEN WITHOUT HAVING THE PROPER APPROVAL.

THIS IS NOT A ONETIME EVENT LIKE THE FAIR, TURTLEFEST, HOSPITAL FUND RAISER, ETC. THEY ARE EVERY FRIDAY FROM NOW UNTIL THE END OF OCTOBER.

SO IN CONCLUSION, WE ARE ALL STILL STRUGGLING TO GET THROUGH THE CURRENT ECONOMIC TIMES AND WE DO NOT NEED THE EXTRA COMPETITION.

THEREFORE WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE COUNCIL UPHOLD THE EXISTING BY-LAW

--NO FOOD TRUCKS ARE ALLOWED WITHIN 150 METRES OF ANOTHER FOOD LOCATION IN THE DOWNTOWN CORE.