



Hello Neil Bradshaw and City planners.

As a partial owner of the Courtyard Building at 360 East Avenue North, my wife Suzan and I who own Ascente Financial, Inc. at Suite #700 are somewhat upset at the idea of the closing of 4th Avenue at the North end of our Street (East Ave. N.) and the Alleyway behind our building.

For one...we have received no notification of any meeting allowing any input for this consideration. Secondly...the impact of doing this is negative for many business owners beyond just the people in our building. I would say a three block radius or more.

Think about these issues:

- FedEx and UPS deliveries
- Food and wine deliveries for the Tavern downstairs
- Gold Mine drop-offs of donations. I am not a fan of the drop-off location for Gold-Mine donations; however the closure of 4th Avenue would only exacerbate the problems.
- in and out travel at the Sound Wave employees and vans.
- Parking loss for all

When 4th Avenue was closed every Tuesday for Farmer's Market, our alley was an absolute ZOO. What a MESS it was trying to get into or out of your office. This proposed closure will compound the problem by making it permanent....really??? Also, if you consider allowing alley traffic to go through the alley intersection, an even bigger mess will ensue...a thoroughfare.

Please call me if you would like to discuss some alternatives.

Pete Stommel

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Peter W. Stommel".

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P.S. Thanks for listening Neil..