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Monique Wright  
Clerk of the Appeal Committee  
City of Winnipeg  
City Clerk's Department  
510 Main Street  
Winnipeg, MB R3B 1B9

Re: DAV 08-103387C

Dear Ms. Wright

This is to confirm that Bike to the Future is opposed to the appeal of the Applicant Derrick Walker. We support the recommendation made by the City of Winnipeg's Planning, Property and Development Department, Planning and Land Use Division to deny this appeal.

At the moment, the Harte Trail provides a safe, convenient and accessible transportation route to cyclists and pedestrians. Further, it is an integral part of the Winnipeg's trail system linking the southwest corner of Winnipeg to other parts of the City.

We have been encouraged by the City of Winnipeg's commitments to develop safe bicycle routes consistent with its goals as set out in Plan Winnipeg. Granting the Application would allow for increased vehicle traffic across the Harte Trail and would jeopardize the safety of trail users, whether cyclists or pedestrians. Accordingly, we are of the view that this Application is inconsistent with Plan Winnipeg.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please feel free contact me at your convenience at 925-3773.

Sincerely,

Jackie Avent, Co-Chair,  
Bike to the Future