

**Fw: Camera placement City Sidewalk**

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Dear Mr Mayor and council;

No one likes vandalism. Recent and less recent reports of crosswalk vandalism of course is concerning and costly. We all agree that there are some symbols in our society that bring out the worst in people. However the idea of placing cameras at such locations is at least in some of our minds costly and without merit.

Who will monitor activity? Will that become yet another paid position in a city which many believe to be already bloated with excess employees?

Why would one spend more money just for the benefit of appearances? When it would only drive those that do not agree with current policies to turn their attention elsewhere?

While I abhor the idea of any form of discrimination, the idea of playing whack a mole with those of different values and beliefs could indeed become a costly venture that the taxpayers of salmon arm should not be asked to support. Once started where will camera surveillance of our citizens end?

What one could encourage one to do is to continue to support diversity through education and example, not big brother incursions in to peoples right to privacy. Government overreach is becoming epidemic in action and legislations at all levels of Governance. So with that I submit that good old fashioned citizen and police involvement will eventually lead to those that break the law, and hold them to justice accordingly, without additional burden on the taxpayers of Salmon Arm.

I remain

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