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Attn: MPC Commissioners and Staff
c/o Mr. Michael Brusseau, Senior Planner
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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing in regard to File # 8-B-18-AC, the lane closure request of the alley running between 19th and 20th streets, parallel to Highland Avenue. I own the property at 1927 Highland, located between properties owned by Mr. Smith.

I am opposed to closure of this alley:

- The street parking on Highland in front of my house is limited and often blocked with parked cars, allowing no entrance to the front of my property for the resident's car to park. The neighboring property west has no street parking due to a double driveway curb-cut and a fire hydrant/yellow curb.
- The back alley is often the only access via automobile for parking.
- Repairs/work to my property requires access via the alley. If this alley is not accessible, then it will limit availability to my structure. The alley at Twentieth St. is narrow. Please note this narrowness and the impact that has on repair truck access to the rear/accessible side of my property.
- It is not uncommon for the 20th Street end of the alley to be closed/blocked by cars, necessitating access from the 19th street end of the alley.
- This is a very heavily parked area consisting of visitors to Fort Sanders Regional Hospital, Hospital employees and college students living in the area.
- All utilities all run through the alley- large KUB poles lining the alley, supplying power to the entire Fort Sanders Area.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Reza Basiri