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Dear Mayor and Council,

Robbins Parking Service Ltd. is pleased to have the opportunity to submit a Temporary Use/Development Permit Application with the City of Victoria. We believe there is ample parking demand in the Downtown Victoria area to warrant the implementation of a temporary parking lot on the land of 635 Chatham Street. We feel this location is ideal for the many businesses in the area. The approval of this temporary permit would result in 38 additional parking spaces for commuters and visitors alike, as well as property improvements along the front facing side of the property, including landscaping.

The demand for further parking spaces in Downtown Victoria has never been greater, with the continuous closures of parking lots for housing development. In the next two years, the parking lot at 840 Yates Street and the parking lot at 525 Chatham Street will close. We anticipate with these closures that the downtown area will lose an additional 350 parking spaces due to the development boom. By adding the temporary lot at 635 Chatham Street, we will lessen the burden of this parking availability drought.

Upon approval of this application, we would add a rain garden to the front facing side of the property (along Chatham Street up to the driveway) this would require demolition of existing concrete and excavation/rough grading in the proposed rain garden area. A rain garden would increase the green urban appeal of the neighbourhood, as well as provide a storm water management solution to the property. There would be daylighting and reconfiguring of existing storm pipe on the property. We would utilize the existing driveway on far right facing the property, and make sidewalk repairs along the north property line where necessary.

We feel a temporary parking lot is an optimal and efficient use of the property of 635 Chatham Street, responding to current public concerns of parking availability and improving the appearance of the neighbourhood until further property development takes place.

Thank you for your consideration,

Dan Sawchuk

President

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