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We hope that you, the other committee members, and your families are well during these interesting times.

We are writing to urge the temporary closure of Sherman Avenue to allow for proper distancing for walkers, joggers, and bikers using the street. We have lived on Jean Street for the last 45 years. Jean is 1 block off Sherman, between Few and Ingersoll. We use Sherman Avenue to walk to Maple Bluff, Tenney Park and over to the Marquette Neighborhood and to go downtown. Since the social restrictions have gone into effect, the good thing is that more individuals and families are out walking, jogging, and biking on Sherman Avenue. These numbers will increase as the weather improves. The unfortunate thing is there really is not enough room for everyone to maintain a proper distance on the sidewalks. On a number of occasions we have had to cross the street 2-3 times during the 3 block walk to the park.

We would like to see Sherman Avenue between Fordem and East Gorham be one way going east. This would funnel west bound traffic onto East Washington and East Gorham. The west bound lane on Sherman could then be used for walkers, joggers, and bikers. If this would not work, then we would recommend a partial closure at Baldwin.

We want to thank you and the committee for your consideration of this proposal.

Stay safe.

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