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**From:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 11, 2012 2:15 PM  
**To:** G & M  
**Subject:** RE: Public Hearing Oct 16 - Public Bike rental share system

Thank you for your comments.

All public comments submitted for the public hearing that are received not more than 15 minutes after the close of the speakers list for that public hearing will be distributed to members of Council for their consideration. The public comments must include the name of the writer.

In addition, the comments will be posted on the City's website ([http://vancouver.ca/ctyclerk/councilmeetings/meeting\\_schedule.cfm](http://vancouver.ca/ctyclerk/councilmeetings/meeting_schedule.cfm)). Please note that contact information will be removed from the comments, with the exception of the writer's name. Comments received after the start of the public hearing should not exceed 1500 words.

Public comments submitted for the public hearing that are received more than 15 minutes after the close of the speakers list will not be distributed until after Council has made a decision regarding the public hearing application and the related bylaw is enacted, if applicable.

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Thank you

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**From:** G & M **s.22(1) Personal and Confidential**  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 11, 2012 11:40 AM  
**To:** Correspondence Group, City Clerk's Office  
**Cc:** Ball, Elizabeth; Affleck, George; Carr, Adriane  
**Subject:** Public Hearing Oct 16 - Public Bike rental share system

Dear Mayor & City Council,

I am opposed to the public bike rental share system and change of bylaws noted for discussion at this meeting, and at this present time. I am writing since I will be unable to attend the public hearing as scheduled.

This is a premature and costly initiative, that precludes improving desperately needed transit and transportation needs of our City, and the lack of Translink funding to upgrade and increase services is well known. This initiative will increase tax burdens on citizens without reducing dependence on cars, decreasing congestion & emissions, and without increasing transit options. It will also take away revenue from small bike rental businesses that currently serve the city & tourism.

Improving Transit & additional funding for Translink must take higher precedence than a rental bike program, in order to get more citizens out of their cars and ease increasing traffic congestion, and along with the foresight of budgeting for more rapid transit lines & transit services. If current and future transportation in the City is first budgeted and built, then I can see merit in such a program, in areas that do not affect existing small businesses. Otherwise, it is puts the cart before the horse.

Sincerely,

Madeline Cheng