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Heart of the City  
125 Queen Street  
Auckland 1010

Dear Tania  
C/o Heart of the City

Thank you for your submission on Federal Street Upgrade Stage 2.

We appreciate your feedback and have taken your suggestions into consideration as we investigate the detailed design of this proposal.

Tree plantings and an increase in greenery for this stretch of Federal Street is important and will be incorporated into the final design. As part of this proposal we will include at least ten new trees and will be incorporating more where possible to improve the aesthetic whilst balancing the need for good visibility. We are working with St Matthews to ensure a well thought out final design which complements the historical elements and builds on the existing character of the street.

Auckland Transport (AT) would be interested in working with Heart of the City and its members to understand and address loading zone requirements for businesses. Auckland Transport notes that streetscape upgrades can be disruptive and want to minimise this risk to businesses as much as possible. AT would like to continue this conversation with Heart of the City before any decisions are made that could implicate the use of loading zones for businesses.

Auckland Transport and Auckland Council would also be interested in discussing development response plan requirements with Heart of the City and its members to help ensure a good outcome for those affected during the construction period.

One purpose of shared spaces is to allow activation of the street space, and supporting local businesses a key aim of this project. The final design will allow for businesses to activate the street space outside their businesses, as they chose, which could include creating outdoor dining areas.

We are working with the City Mission, St Matthew-in-the-City and Auckland Council homelessness reference groups to inform the final design, and hope to create a change in the general character of the street, to discourage antisocial behaviour.

We acknowledge that there are limited mobility parks in this area. We will continue conversations with disability advisory bodies, and will investigate options for incorporating mobility parking into the final detailed design.

Thank you for your suggestions and we look forward to working together to help ensure the best outcome for current and future users of Federal Street.

Kind Regards

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