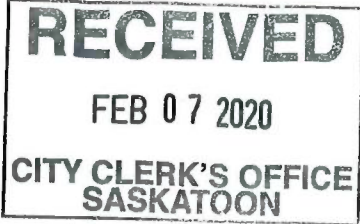


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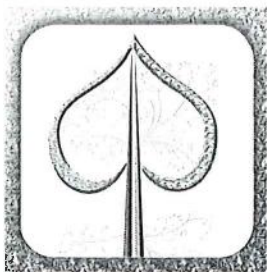
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Subject SPC on EUC committee meeting item 7.1 The Green Infrastructure Strategy: Towards an Interconnected Green Network
Meeting (if known) SPC on EUC Monday January 10 at 9 a.m.
Comments
The Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc. would like to submit the attached letter of support in regards to the The Green Infrastructure Strategy: Towards an Interconnected Green Network being presented at SPC on EUC Monday January 10 at 9 a.m.
Thank you kindly

Julia Adamson
on behalf of the board of directors
for the Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc.

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Councillor Councillor S. Gersher, chair and members of the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services

It is our pleasure to write to the *Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services* to express our support for your attention to sustainability and the interconnected green network for both current and future generations. The new 2020 report being presented by Angela Gardiner, General Manager, Utilities & Environment, entitled; *The Green Infrastructure Strategy: Towards an Interconnected Green Network* is a milestone accomplishment for the city's well-being and quality of life.

The Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc. is a non-profit incorporation formed with a mission to conserve the public afforestation areas which we love. The creation of safe green spaces enables place-based learning experiences which are so necessary in this digital age, especially for youth. It will enhance the quality of life for all citizens when they can connect with the rich natural, cultural and geological history of these naturalized, semi-wilderness spaces. Their aesthetic, scientific, and spiritual heritage enhances our civic cultural experience and can expand tourism.

The work that YXE Green Infrastructure Strategy and the City of Saskatoon Department of Sustainability is doing is well-intentioned, well-researched, and articulates the positive effect it will have for the City of Saskatoon in providing this vision of "a sustainable habitat for both people and nature."

The *Green Infrastructure Strategy: Towards an Interconnected Green Network* was created through engagement, collaboration, and understanding the needs of a wide cross-section of community members. The City of Saskatoon, by approving this report, is indeed, showing commitment to its strategic goal of environmental leadership. By promoting this vision, our city is better prepared for wetter, wilder and warmer weather anticipated with climate change. This report, by acknowledging the value and benefits of natural assets, is a catalyst to improve our way of life, our economy and our environment. Environmental initiatives do, indeed provide a great many tangible and intangible benefits, and do have a strong positive impact for a city with long-range plans towards metropolis status.

In Saskatoon, the interconnected green network is of tremendous importance if we want to create a city in which all people can thrive. Implementing this report helps our vision of becoming a city with engaged citizens who have a strong sense of community and place.

We, the Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc, look forward to working with the City of Saskatoon in identifying further specific actions and policies to promote this green vision.

Kind Regards

Julia Adamson

on behalf of the board of directors

for the Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc.