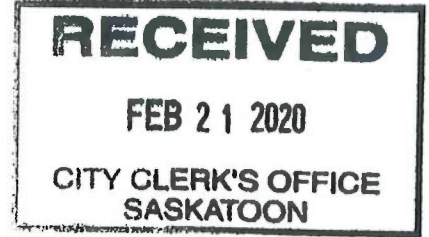


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Subject Bike Bylaw
Meeting (if known) City Council Meeting February 24, 2020
Comments
Please find attached correspondence regarding City Council Regular Business meeting of February 24, 2020, Agenda Item 8.4.1. We ask that it be provided to the Mayor and Councillors for discussion at that meeting. Saskatoon Cycles also requests to speak to Council on the matter. Our representative at the meeting will be Jim Arnold, Saskatoon Cycles Board member. Thank you.
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Mayor and Council
City of Saskatoon

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our concerns regarding a recommendation of the Transportation Committee on the Bicycling Bylaw.

We have grave concerns about the recommendation going forth to Council regarding the universal rule regarding cycling on sidewalks except, as proposed, for those under age 14. We provide extensive commentary on this concern, submitted in brief to the City during the consultation process.

Our recommendation to Council is as follows:

Remove the blanket prohibition against cycling on sidewalks and replace this with:

- **either area and behavioural restrictions as to where and how cycling on sidewalks can be safely conducted; and**
- **allow people to ride bikes on sidewalks at pedestrian speed if the street is or has become hazardous**

We appreciate that the City is aligning its bylaws with other Canadian municipalities making it legal for people under 14 to ride on sidewalks. This should be extended to all cyclists with the provisions above.

You will note that in the consultation process the Saskatchewan Health Authority had a similar recommendation as did Walk Saskatoon.

Unlike other North American cities, where protected bike infrastructure is being extensively installed, there is virtually no protected infrastructure in the City of Saskatoon creating hazardous conditions for cyclists, forcing them, in many instances, to ride on sidewalks for personal safety. There are many very busy roadways where the only option for safety is to ride on the sidewalk. In the winter, icy and unsafe roadways also cause the cyclist to use sidewalks for their life and safety.

We strongly urge the City to generally allow cycling on sidewalks subject to explicit restrictions, for example cycling on sidewalks could be are limited, as in one jurisdiction, to prohibitions

against: (a) suddenly leaving the curb and entering the path of vehicle that is close enough to constitute an immediate hazard; (b) not giving an audible warning before overtaking or passing a pedestrian and not yielding the right of way to all pedestrians on a sidewalk; (c) cycling in a careless manner that is likely to endanger a person or property; (d) cycling at a speed greater than an ordinary walk when approaching or entering a crosswalk, approaching or crossing a curb or pedestrian ramp when a motor vehicle is approaching.

Such prohibitions could also be paired with area restrictions against cycling on sidewalks along designated streets where there is a higher likelihood of pedestrian-cyclist collisions, such as areas where pedestrians are regularly entering and exiting buildings (for example, along Broadway, 20th or in the downtown core).

In absence of these restrictions more multi-use pathways should be designated. The following streets need particular attention to ensure safe passage by cyclists; others could be considered with further consultation:

- 8th street
- Clarence Avenue
- 25th Street
- College Avenue
- 22nd Street
- Idylwyld Drive
- 11th Street

The above streets have a high concentration of work sites, high density housing, educational institutions and shops. Cyclists need safe passage to these locations; currently it is very unsafe to ride on these thoroughfares.

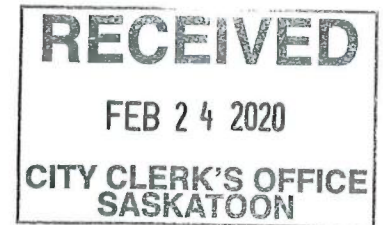
Until Saskatoon is able to embrace a truly connected and convenient cycling network that acknowledges transportation equity the bylaws do not match the reality of the difficulty of cycling in this City. Your rules are continuing to force law abiding citizens to abandon their desire to cycle or face the possibility of receiving a fine. We believe this is not the intention of the Active Transportation plan that you approved several years ago.

In the spirit of making a decision that is ethical, equitable and empathetic we hope you will consider our recommendation.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors, Saskatoon Cycles

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Subject Bicycle Bylaw Update

Meeting (if known) City Council February 24, 2020

Comments

The Executive Director of the Riversdale Business Improvement District respectfully requests to speak to item 8.4.1 Bicycle Bylaw Update – Proposed Revisions – February 2020 Update [File No. CK 5300-5-2] at the City Council meeting on Monday, February 24, 2020 at 1:00 pm.

Attachments

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