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Mayor Charlie Clark
City of Saskatoon
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Dear Mayor Clark:

Thank you for your August 4, 2021, letter to the Honourable Scott Moe, Premier of Saskatchewan regarding municipal election dates and the challenges experienced by the City of Saskatoon this past fall. I have been asked to respond to your letter.

While I cannot commit at this time to the Government of Saskatchewan's intention to open *The Local Government Election Act, 2015* for amendment, I can confirm that the Ministry of Government Relations' (ministry) officials have contacted the Saskatchewan Association of City Clerks and informed them of the ministry's willingness to participate in its discussions on ways to improve local government election legislation and regulations.

I encourage you to continue to discuss this matter with your city counterparts, the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association and other municipal associations to gauge support and the level of consensus for any changes to local elections.

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Thank you again for your letter. Our government will continue to seek stakeholder input on potential improvements to the process and conduct of local government elections.

Sincerely,



Don McMorris
Minister of Government Relations
Minister Responsible for First Nations, Métis and Northern Affairs
Minister Responsible for Provincial Capital Commission

cc: Premier Scott Moe
Rodger Haywood, President, Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association
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