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To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable) ATU Local 615

Subject Mandatory Vaccinations For Civic Employees

Meeting (if known) Aug 30th Council Meeting

Comments Not a request to speak but I will be in attendance remotely

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Will you be submitting a video to be vetted prior to council meeting? No

The results of this submission may be viewed at:



August 27th 2021

Your Worship And City Council:

In light of recent provincial decisions to mandate vaccinations for Federal Employees and Councillor Zach Jeffries motion to make vaccinations mandatory for all civic employees ATU is writing this letter in hopes that this motion will not be supported.

As a union, we have a responsibility to protect our members from harm, including contracting Covid 19. We encourage all our members to get vaccinated, but we also have a responsibility to protect our members who have made the decision to not be vaccinated.

The provinces requiring mandatory vaccinations has given their employees two options: they can either get vaccinated or be regularly tested for COVID-19. We support the province's decision as we believe this will encourage more people who are vaccine hesitant or who have been putting off their appointment, to get vaccinated. It also gives employees who have chosen to not be vaccinated, for religious, health, or any other reason, an other option.

Regular testing of employees who have chosen to not be vaccinated will help prevent an outbreak and mitigate harm. We want testing to be made as accessible as possible so it does not become a barrier for employees who have chosen not to be vaccinated. We hope that the city implement on-site testing for Saskatoon Transit employees.

We appreciate your foresight in considering more frequent on site accessible testing. Staying cautious is pivotal as we navigate this new stage of the pandemic. We are looking forward to working with you to create a safe work environment for all Saskatoon Transit employees.

Thanks

**Darcy Pederson** 

ATU Local 615

President B/A

