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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)

Subject Residential speed limit

Meeting (if known)

Comments

Good morning.

I just read that although residents of Saskatoon resoundingly said they do not want the residential speed limit to change, that's exactly what the city is recommending.

I have to tell you, I'm totally fed up. The way this city administration officials continually asks for resident feedback, even though their minds are already made up, is very very frustrating. Not only it is disrespectful to us because our wishes are never listened to, it's also a huge waste of time, effort and money to go through these false consultation processes all the time. Frankly, the way things are being done in this city lately is absolutely ridiculous.

The recommendation to lower the residential speed limit is not based on any kind of evidence. People being hit or killed on residential streets is not a challenge we've been dealing with, as had been evident in media interviews with Mayor Clark and Jay Magus where they could not present any recent cases which caused them concern. This is all based on the agenda of a few people within the city administration, as has been happening so often in recent years. It's a solution to a problem we don't have, and it's an effort to please a very small group of complainers who are in the minority, which we now know for sure after the consultation process.

When I read that the city is trying to provide “equity” with people walking or cycling, I almost spit out my coffee. That’s an absolutely ridiculous thing to even think, much less implement as an actual policy. Trying to slow down vehicles so that people will choose to walk or bike instead? That’s just beyond illogical. Of course vehicles are faster than bikes or our own two feet. I am a mom of little toddlers. In order to get from point A to point B with them and our stroller and bags etc, we have to drive, especially in winter. We aren’t going to all of a sudden start walking or cycling because the speed limit is lower, and neither are people who are going to work dressed in suits with their laptops in tow, or who have to drop their kids off at daycare first.

Also, as a mom, I care very much about my children’s safety. But I believe strongly that those who speed excessively and are a danger to my children will continue to speed no matter the limit.

All this change would do is frustrates and delay drivers who already obey limits.

I also think slowing things down too much may, in fact, increase texting while driving because people will be impatient.. and this policy may actually end up making us all less safe on the roads, rather than more

This policy is just so out of touch with residents and I would really love to see our city council say enough already... Why don’t you shock us completely and listen to us this time?

If you don’t, why don’t you urge the city to stop insulting us with these disingenuous consultation processes? They are just a slap in the face each time, and we are all getting really REALLY sick of it.

Sincerely,

Brynn Harris-Hamm

Attachments

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

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