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Dear Saskatoon City Council,

Firstly, I want to thank you for your leadership throughout this especially challenging time of difficult, necessary, and sometimes unpopular decisions. Saskatoon chose well in the 2020 civic election.

Today, I am writing in regards to the proposed change to residential street speed limits. As a frequent pedestrian, cyclist, and motorist in many areas of Saskatoon, I will share with you some of my pertinent observations and suggestions. In my experience, most drivers are aware of areas where there are pedestrians and cyclists, often slowing down to accommodate cyclists on the roads, and to account for all pedestrians, especially children, who may unpredictably walk out onto the street. It seems most motorists naturally drive at speeds slower than 50kms/hour when in residential areas.

That said, there are some drivers who seem to think any time they bring their vehicle on the road, it is a race, and they have no regard for children who may be playing, or and human or animal pedestrian. In those cases, I am nearly certain that unless the speed limit was enforced with a substantial penalty, they would not be deterred by any numerical changes.

Quite simply, I see that small minority of dangerous drivers as a bigger problem than the speed limit being 50kms or 40kms/hour. I strongly suggest having more reinforcement of speed limits on some of the major residential streets. In Silverwood Heights, where I live, that would include Silverwood Road, Adilman Drive, Lenore Drive, and Molloy to start. It seems to me a more prudent use of funds at this time to have more frequent police patrol at unpredictable times to catch these drivers in the act. This will encourage motorists to be far more mindful of their speeds.

Please consider this letter as a representation of the thoughts of me and my little bubble of friends and family.

Respectfully yours,
Ramona Friesen