

From: City Park Community Association Inc.

To: City Council of Saskatoon

Subject: Letter of Concern Regarding Crosswalks

Dear City Council,

After hearing about the proposed changes to the crosswalks on King St, Princess St, and Duke St going over 2nd Ave N, the City Park Community Association (CPCA) would like to ask you to reconsider what is being proposed for the Princess St location.

The Princess St and 2nd Ave intersection has been the subject of reviews in the past.

The City Park Neighbourhood Traffic Review (NTR) identified Princess St and 2nd Avenue as unsafe to cross for pedestrians. The NTR also identified Princess St as a high-volume route for shortcutting through the City Park neighbourhood and even more so when a train is crossing 3rd Avenue. The proposed solution identified in the NTR process was to install a pedestrian activated signal at Princess St and 2nd Ave.

Princess St and 2nd Ave is identified in the North Downtown Master Plan (NDMP) as a key connector as part of the strategy for a cohesive city by connecting a developed north downtown to the surrounding city grid and to the river. The NDMP identifies Princess St as a proposed shared street directly into the heart of the north downtown and it also identifies a proposed pedestrian signal at the intersection of Princess St and 2nd Ave.

We believe that the removal of the crosswalk at Princess St should not happen, but rather be improved as well. We believe this will help to promote and support a more walkable and safe community. Removing access of a crosswalk at that intersection would not align with that view.

The CPCA requests that all three crosswalks receive an upgrade rather than upgrading 2 of them and removing the third.

Please feel free to reach out to us or join one of our monthly meetings to continue discussing this matter.

Sincerely,

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