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June 7, 2022

Secretary, Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services

Dear Secretary;

Street Activity Subcommittee - Cold Weather Strategy Re:

The Street Activity Subcommittee, at its meeting on April 29, 2022 passed a motion requesting a meeting through Planning, Development and Community Services regarding the Cold Weather Strategy with a view to recommend the strategy be changed to accommodate people in emergency shelters in temperatures starting at a threshold of -10 C. No one should sleep outside on a cold night.

The current Saskatoon Cold Weather Strategy has too cold a threshold for activation and is not activated enough in inclement weather. The Community Support Officers also have great difficulty finding shelter for vulnerable individuals when the Cold Weather Strategy is activated which is of great concern to the committee.

The Committee requests this meeting before fall so that a proper plan can be put in place before the colder temperature arrive.

Sincerely,

DeeAnn Mercier, Chair

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Street Activity Subcommittee

General Manager, Community Services Division CC: