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Date: Sunday, November 13, 2022

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

First Name: Ken

Last Name: Ladouceur

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## **Comments:**

I filled out the survey on this matter but found it, as many others have said, slanted to either/or and not whether we want or need another Arena! Please read the comments of people regarding the article written by Phil Tank on this topic.

In my opinion, the city needs to look at improving traffic flow in our city! I've lived in Saskatoon most of my life and there has been little change to the roadways in and around the downtown core, circle drive and major arteries since the 1960's. Oh, right, you extended 25th Street to Idylwyld right where the CPR trains with 100 plus rail cars snail pace through the downtown core and any give time. There's enough traffic flow through there on a regular basis. Add a train and 20,000 people trying to get to or leaving an event...it will be a nightmare! You need to look at getting the train out of the city or underpass/overpass construction. You may have to look at one way streets in the downtown.

Taking away traffic lanes for bikes and buses is just ludicrous!

WHERE IS THE TRUE CIRCLE DRIVE to route traffic around the city connecting to all major highways and roadways! The new north bypass is a joke with the winding roadway, lower speed limit and traffic lights when you cross the bridge at Warman road and more as you travel down 71st Street. 42nd street (Circle Drive) between Warman Road and Idylwyld is still jammed with semis attempting to get through the city.

You can't keep adding more 'stuff' (venues) without taking away existing 'stuff' (houses/businesses) to build the roadways required to handle the extra traffic associated this 'dream/legacy'!

There is so much in this city that needs repairing or replacing and an arena, convention centre or library is not one of those things.

City Hall, please give your head a shake! Get you engineers out of the office and supervise projects so they're done properly. All levels of civic government need to do a better job at recognizing things that need to be done, even if it's not in their purview, and advise that department.

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