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Dear Mayor and City Councillors,

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It has come to my attention that the City of Saskatoon has fallen behind on funding levels for attainable housing and for other resources used to help those experiencing homelessness. Due to this lack of funding, it is my understanding that a couple of recommendations are being considered during the budget meeting starting on November 28, 2022.

The recommendations being considered are:

- 1) That a new mill rate contribution of \$100,000 and a capital contribution of \$300,000 toward the Saskatoon Attainable Housing Program.
- 2) That a new capital project of \$245,000 for the preparation of the new Housing Strategy.
- 3) That the Administration bring forward funding source options at the time this matter is at Budget deliberations

As a community member living here in Saskatoon, I would like to let you know I am in support of these recommendations because the cost of living is becoming unmanageable and many people are struggling to find or continue paying for housing. Housing should be the priority for this council because without it, we have nothing.

I hope you will decide in favor of these recommendations and will also commit to further work needing to be done to secure sustainable and affordable housing for every person within Saskatoon so that we are no longer loosing fellow community members, family and friends to death from exposure as has happened in recent weeks and will continue to occur.

Sincerely,
Christina Sparrow
Resident of Saskatoon
Date: Tuesday, November 15, 2022
Postal Code: