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City Council follow up for the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities and Corporate Services meeting of December 5, 2022 item 7.2.5 Proposing a New Tree Protection Bylaw [CK 4200-0]

A letter is attached. No request to speak.

Kind Regards Julia Adamson

on behalf of the Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc. -a Canadian non profit registered charity 777143876RR0001 and SK provincial non profit; entity number 102084283.

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The afforestation areas are situated in the West Swale Yorath Island Glacial Spillway, a sacred site in Treaty 6 Territory and Homeland of the Métis. Those who entered into Treaty 6 are the *nêhiyawak* (Cree), nakawē (Saulteaux), and yankton and yanktonai (Nakota) people. May our relationships with the land, standing peoples, forests, and waters teach us to honour and respect the past and invite us to move forward in harmony. May we all come together as friends, to find inspiration and guidance from histories, languages, and cultures which broaden our understanding and community collaboration for the present and future.



## Friends of the SaskatoonAfforestation Areas Inc. Registered Charity #777143876 RR 0001

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With thanks to General Manager Utilities and Environment Angela Gardiner, Darren Crilly Director of Parks, Jeff Boone Project Manager, Director of Legal Services Blair Bleakney and Konrad Andre Operations Manager Parks Department for the presentation regarding the proposed Tree Bylaw to protect the urban forest.

Recently a fully grown Scotch Pine was willfully chopped down and curiously a portion of the trunk removed from the afforestation area, with the remainder of the tree left as a hazard to park users. At the time, the City of Saskatoon police were called and without a bylaw the police could not do anything about this wanton destruction of this fully mature tree in a City of Saskatoon greenspace. Historically, it can be seen that there has been removal of trees from city greenspaces perhaps for the Christmas season. There have been informational requests regarding the inception plans to develop this bylaw regarding the bylaw effect vis a vis home owners and easements and infrastructure projects involving construction contractors or developers, however not a lot of discussion about the City of Saskatoon urban forest in areas considered to be formal or informal greenfield areas, green space areas or parks and those spaces under the purview of the Meewasin, Parks Department or under YXE Green Infrastucture Strategy management.

What will be the ramifications of the tree bylaw to these formal and informal urban forest green spaces? "Education first" has been seen to greatly protect our trees on the IUCN red list. There has been a general consensus that the "education first approach" would be greatly appreciated- not only for boulevard and easement trees but to include greenspaces as well.

Thank you,

Julia Adamson

On behalf of the Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas, Inc.