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**Subject:** FW: Email - Communication - Brent Penner - Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw Review – Amendment Package Five - CK 4350-70  
**Attachments:** Letter to City Council - re Zoning Bylaw Amendment, Home Based Businesses, 22dec19.pdf

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**From:** Web NoReply <[web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca](mailto:web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca)>  
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**To:** City Council <[City.Council@Saskatoon.ca](mailto:City.Council@Saskatoon.ca)>  
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Submitted on Monday, December 19, 2022 - 15:00

Submitted by user: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

**I have read and understand the above statements.:** Yes

**Date:** Monday, December 19, 2022

**To:** His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

**First Name:** Brent

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**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Downtown Saskatoon Business Improvement District

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Municipal Planning Commission

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** Item 7.1 Zoning Bylaw Review, Amendment Package 5

**Comments:**

Good afternoon, please find a letter submitting comments for MPC and then City Council if indeed this is forwarded to Council from Downtown Saskatoon, Riversdale BID, the Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce, and NSBA.

Thank you,  
Brent Penner, on behalf of Randy Pshebylo, Jason Aebig and Keith Moen

**Attachments:**

- [Letter to City Council - re Zoning Bylaw Amendment, Home Based Businesses, 22dec19.pdf](#)43.74 KB

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

December 19, 2022

Mayor Charlie Clark and City Councillors  
City of Saskatoon  
222 Third Avenue North  
Saskatoon, SK

To Mayor Clark and City Councillors:

*Re: Zoning Bylaw Amendment Package 5 – Home Based Businesses*

As you consider the proposed zoning bylaw amendment to allow for the expansion of some services provided by certain types of home-based businesses, we wanted to take this opportunity to point out that there is a potential for amendments like this to lead to unintended consequences.

The potential for the largest impact could see a business currently operating in a commercial location and paying commercial property taxes end up giving up their lease to operate from home and avoid paying the higher commercial property tax. Conversely, a home-based business considering expanding to a commercial property may now be able to operate from home, again leading to the city foregoing those commercial taxes.

While it is understood that having people start up a small business from home can lead to expansion into a commercial or business district, it is also worth noting that the number of new home-based business licenses is outpacing the number of new commercially located businesses at a margin of about 2:1. Ideally, we would like to see the city work to encourage home-based businesses move into appropriately zoned areas, something that is beneficial to the city in terms of finances, and also to lessen impacts on neighbours in locations zoned as residential.

Yours truly,

Brent Penner  
Executive Director  
Downtown Saskatoon BID

Jason Aebig  
CEO  
Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce

Randy Pshebylo  
Executive Director  
Riversdale BID

Keith Moen  
Executive Director  
NSBA

cc: Mark Wilson, Licensing and Permitting Manager, City of Saskatoon