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Submitted values are:

I have read and understand the above statements.: Yes

Date: Monday, February 20, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: She/her/hers

First Name: Sasha

Last Name: Chilibeck

Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name: Chilibeck (Chil-A-beck)

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Province: Saskatchewan

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What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: Regular Business Meeting of City Council

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: 9.3.1

Comments:

I urge the Council to consider the proposals the Northeast Swale Watchers put forth to prioritize the conservation of this unique grassland habitat within our very own city. As a soon-to-be graduate in Environmental Science and Biology, and someone who has done work evaluating the ecosystem benefits of wetlands, I can personally attest to this ecosystem's important role for the surrounding area. The wetlands situated within the swale provide groundwater recharge, water drainage, and water filtration. The swale itself is home to many rare species unique to Saskatchewan, such as the beautiful Prairie Crocus flower and the Sharp-Tailed Grouse. To disturb this habitat means to further disconnect Saskatchewan citizens from native prairie ecosystems, which are a dwindling ecosystem type in Canada. As someone who has grown up enjoying the wildlife of the swale and learning from it, I ask that the Council amend its plans for the swale to include wildlife and waterway corridors. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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