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Submitted by user: Anonymous

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

First Name: Colin

Last Name: Chatfield

Phone Number:

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City: Saskatoon

Province: Saskatchewan

Postal Code: S7J

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

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

Comments:

I'm writing to ask the City and its representatives to finally put priority into preserving the Northeast Swale area, and to give it proper protections, which is currently lacking.

With the continuing development of that area, the City has failed to provide proper protection of that crucial land area, used both by animals and people. None of the proposals set forth by the City have addressed the current issues in that area. The Swale Watchers group has a proposal which addresses all of the concerns for that area, and this proposal is endorsed by he Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society Saskatchewan, Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas, Living Sky Wildlife Rehabilitation, Nature Saskatchewan, the Saskatoon Nature Society, the Saskatchewan Environmental Society, SOS Trees Coalition, Walking Saskatoon, and Wild about Saskatoon.

We are losing land valuable to animals at an exponential rate, and the City has no proper plans in place to protect wildlife and the various eco-systems that exist here. This area is beneficial for many uses, but as a night sky photographer, it is a little piece of area within our city where we can actually still go with a view of the night sky (which can't be done throughout most of the city, due to our horrible light pollution).

For many years people and organizations have pleaded with the City to protect this area, but it has fallen on deaf ears. The Councillor for that area even ran on a platform of increasing the speed limit through the Swale, which is despicable. So, on behalf of those who regularly use this area, and fo the wildlife there, please put into place the recommendations of the Swale Watchers group and finally do what the City committed to doing, which was protecting this fragile area.

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

