
Subject: 6.1.1: Email - Request to Speak - D'Arcy Mann - Facility Change Room Safety - File CK 100-26

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Submitted on Sunday, March 5, 2023 - 18:05

Submitted by user: [REDACTED]

Submitted values are:

I have read and understand the above statements.: Yes

Date: Sunday, March 05, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: He/him/his

First Name: D'Arcy

Last Name: Mann

Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name: Darcy

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Email: [REDACTED]

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City: Saskatoon

Province: Saskatchewan

Postal Code: S7H [REDACTED]

What do you wish to do ?: Request to Speak

If speaking will you be attending in person or remotely: In person

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: Saskatoon Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development and Community Services, March 8th

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: Trans rights / Mark Friesen

Comments:

A century ago the Federal Government passed the Chinese Exclusion Act, which disallowed Chinese men who had moved to Canada to work and/or establish businesses from bringing their families over from China thus earning them the name the "bachelor society".

Upon this a provincial law was passed that required that white (European) women could not work for a Chinese man unless the man filled out an application form to prove he was of good character. There was a baseless fear that these "innocent white girls" would be seduced.

Since then there have been other incidents, official or not, of some Saskatchewan citizens assuming that people not like them - be they First Nations, Chinese, or - now the target du jour - trans people - were more likely to commit certain crimes.

There was once xenophobia against muslims in Saskatoon. When the shooting at the Quebec mosque occurred we stood shoulder to shoulder with Saskatoon's Muslim community and said no to that sort of hate here. There was once xenophobia against Chinese in Saskatoon - which had a small but loud resurgence during the early days of the pandemic - but now there are people of all colours shopping at the numerous Asian markets in town.

There is now xenophobia in Saskatoon against trans people. Those who harbour such thoughts cloak themselves in false righteousness, claiming it's to protect children, just as those who passed odious laws against Chinese Canadians claimed it was to protect white women. It's the same old story, only the characters have changed.

We must stop the cycle here.

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