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To: Councillor's Office <Councillors.Office@saskatoon.ca>; Web E-mail - Mayor's Office

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Subject: I support the Main and Clarence proposal

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Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I live on the 900 block of Main Street and have seen a huge increase in traffic in the 35 years I have been here. Although Main Street is a local street the amount of traffic does not reflect the designation.

I strongly support the proposal to require right turns from Main onto Clarence. First, because it will create a safer intersection. This summer there was at least one accident that involved three cars, one of which was flipped onto its side. Additionally, it's difficult for pedestrians or cyclists heading East on Clarence because there's no crosswalk on the south side, and I am pleased that a second crosswalk will be added. This will encourage active transportation that the City hopes to promote. And there will be less idling of motors as people won't have to wait for a chance to cross, improving the air quality around the intersection.

Increased housing density along Broadway and Main Street is in part responsible for increased traffic. With yet another high-rise soon to be completed and others planned, it is important that this change be made before people move in so they can use the new route as soon as they come to the new community.

Finally, it will be somewhat inconvenient for me, not to be able to cross Clarence since I live in the next block. But I will be happy to adjust to the slight inconvenience since it will mean greater safety for all and less traffic on my street, returning it to a genuine local street. These improvements will ultimately reduce traffic density up and down the street and move it to 8th or 12th Streets as the City has planned.

Thank you for considering these and other comments and for not giving up on finding a workable solution. Please support the proposal that the City employees have worked hard to develop.

Best wishes.

Nancy Allan