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Submitted values are:

I have read and understand the above statements.: Yes

Date: Sunday, March 12, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: She/her/hers

First Name: Crystal

Last Name: Boschman

Phone Number:

Email:

Address: 5th Ave N

City: Saskatoon

Province: Saskatchewan

Postal Code: S7K

Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable): Students with SASF project

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):: Wednesday, March 29th, 2023

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

Comments:

Students want to talk to council about their parks.

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• the proposal.docx14.89 KB

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

The Proposal

Hi, our names are Elizabeth, Agnes, Hailey, and Cordelia and we are one of the many classes in the SASF project. Today we will be talking to you about putting more garbage cans in the following parks: Marshall Hawthorne Pond, Blair Nelson Park, and Alexander MacGillivray Young Park that are all in StoneBridge Saskatoon. For our SASF project we are trying to stop people from littering and originally, we thought it was because people were being lazy but when we went into the parks and measured the distance between the trash cans, we found out we were wrong.

These were some of the distances between garbage cans in Marshall Hawthorne Pond: 183 feet, 1102 feet, and 170 feet. In Blair Nelson Park some of the measurements were 196 feet, 137 feet, and 104 feet. Lastly in Alexander MacGillivray Young Park some of the measurements were 183 feet, 78 feet, 157 feet, and 262 feet. We counted how many pieces of garbage was in just one of the parks and it was 187 pieces! Imagine how much it would be if we did this in the other two parks.

The number will also be way higher in the summertime since there are more people out walking.

Studies have shown that if a person is 20 feet or farther away from a garbage can, they are way more likely to litter. With garbage cans being so far apart like I was saying earlier, you can't blame them for littering, it's the City of Saskatoons fault. You guys should've acted on this a long time ago.

One more thing we wanted to talk to you about is attaching dog poop bags to the garbage cans in the parks. Lots of the time people have walked quite a way away from their house, their dog then goes to the bathroom, and they realize they forgot to bring a bag. Nobody is going to walk back home, get a bag walk and back to the spot again. If you do end up attaching rolls of dog bags to garbage cans, make sure they are BPI certified because this type of dog bag is compostable.

We did a survey to random people about littering, here are the questions and answers. Number 1: do you think there are enough garbage cans in the parks, we asked 57 people and 45 said no. Only 12 people thought there were enough garbage cans in the parks, which tells you there aren't enough, and we need more.

Number 2: have you littered and if you have, was there a garbage can near you, we asked 56 people and 38 said they have littered but they weren't near a garbage can. Number 3: have you ever forgotten a poop bag and left your dog's number 2 on the ground; we asked 51 people and 33 said they have forgotten a bag and left it on the ground.

On our behalf to try and stop people from littering we made 8 posters with information about why littering is bad and are going to put them up in the 3 parks. That will only do so much though, which is why we are counting on you to say yes to our proposal. We would like you to put a garbage can next to every bench in the 3 parks we mentioned at the start of our speech because lots of people have their food and drinks when they are sitting on the bench. We would also like you to attach rolls of BPI certified dog bags to all the garbage cans in the 3 parks. Thank you for taking the time out of your day to listen to our proposal. We hope you say yes and get these things into the parks very quickly.