

## Lasby, Mary

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**Subject:** FW: Email - Communication - Joe Rubin - Official Community Planning Amendment - Bylaw 9893 - CK 4350-023-001

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**From:** Web NoReply <[web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca](mailto:web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 17, 2023 7:34 AM

**To:** City Council <[City.Council@Saskatoon.ca](mailto:City.Council@Saskatoon.ca)>

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Submitted on Wednesday, May 17, 2023 - 07:34

Submitted by user: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

**I have read and understand the above statements.:** Yes

**I do not want my comments placed on a public agenda. They will be shared with members of Council through their online repository.:** No

**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Wednesday, May 17, 2023

**To:** His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

**Pronouns:** He/him/his

**First Name:** Joe

**Last Name:** Rubin

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**Neighbourhood:** [Haultain](#)

**City:** Saskatoon

**Province:** Saskatchewan

**Postal Code:** S7H [REDACTED]

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**Comments:**

I would like to express my enthusiasm for the city to support increased density in our core neighborhoods through allowing residential towers to be built. There are two primary reasons why I am supportive of such developments:

1. In Canada we are facing a housing crisis and urgently need new inventory to provide units for our increasing population. Our core neighborhoods are some of our most livable, walkable districts and I would love to welcome more people to enjoy the benefits community I love.
2. Denser cities are more sustainable. In addition to the housing crisis we are facing a climate crisis, we urgently need to reduce the carbon footprint of our society and making changes to our built environment is one of the most important systemic shifts that will help. Denser cities allow residents to make more trips on foot (something I do myself on a daily basis) or by bike. Multi-family developments are also more efficient, requiring less energy for heating. Finally, from the perspective of the city denser cities are less expensive to service - fewer km of road and other infrastructure/unit population, a higher density of property tax revenue and denser population centres which are more efficient to service with transit. I am a homeowner and a taxpayer, and I see densification as one way to help reduce the impact of annual property tax increases.

I strongly support proposed residential tower developments between the Broadway/Victoria bridges and at College/Clarence. I have been pleased to see the development of residential towers in Nutana (several blocks from my home) and look forward to the new residents of these buildings and those which are proposed supporting our local Broadway businesses and keeping our community vibrant and thriving.

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