Meghan Trumpy <

Sent:

Tuesday, November 19, 2019 8:53 PM

To:

City Council

Subject:

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Submitted by anonymous user: 64.201.221.27

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Date Tuesday, November 19, 2019

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

First Name Meghan

Last Name Trumpy

Email

Address Agar Place

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Postal Code

Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable)

Subject Support for the LEC Plan

Meeting (if known)

Comments

Dear City Council,

I wish to add my support to the LEC Plan. It is essential for the city to have a comprehensive plan, with sustainable, long term funding, to address the current climate emergency. I hope that this will be a priority in the upcoming budget discussions.

Sincerely,

Meghan Trumpy

Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

Jason Praski

Sent:

Wednesday, November 20, 2019 5:10 PM

To:

City Council

Subject:

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To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Last Name Praski

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Province Saskatchewan

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable)

Subject Low Emissions Community Funding - Full Financial Support Requested

Meeting (if known) November 25, 2019 Budget Deliberations

Comments

I support the LEC Plan and request that it be funded adequately, for the coming year and long term, as significant emissions reductions are not only viable and beneficial to the City in a number of ways, but they have been promised by the City and are of utmost importance globally.

Thank you.

Attachments

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Neil Sinclair <

Sent:

Thursday, November 21, 2019 6:41 AM

To:

City Council

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To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Last Name Sinclair

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City Saskatoon

Province Saskatchewan

Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable)

Subject Low Emissions of Greenhouse gases

Meeting (if known)

Comments

I support the goals of Saskatoon to lower its greenhouse gas emissions. This is critical for the future well being of its inhabitants.

Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

Dev Hopkins <

Sent:

Thursday, November 21, 2019 3:50 PM

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City Council

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Subject Low emissions plan

Meeting (if known)

Comments Please support the low emissions plan

Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

Justin Fisher

Sent:

Friday, November 22, 2019 2:31 PM

To:

City Council

Subject:

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Submitted on Friday, November 22, 2019 - 14:30

Submitted by anonymous user: 128.233.5.171

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Last Name Fisher

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Province Saskatchewan

Postal Code

Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable)

Subject Funding the Low Emissions Community Plan

Meeting (if known) CITY COUNCIL - 2020/2021 MULTI-YEAR PRELIMINARY CORPORATE BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET

Comments

Dear Mayor Clark and City Council,

I have in the past written to express my full support for the Low Emissions Community Plan (LECP), and today I am writing to urge Council to fund the plan adequately so that implementation may begin in earnest. I was relieved to see leadership from Council in supporting continued work on the LECP at its August 26th meeting, yet this was only a first step. It is critical to note and remember that the LECP is a comprehensive emissions-reductions strategy in which the various initiatives work together to meet our commitments; it is not a list of suggested plans, some of which can be adopted and some ignored. The Plan acknowledges that we will already miss our initial 2023 targets by that date - however, with full implementation, we can be on track to meet our 2050 targets, which is critical for addressing the climate crisis here in our city. Fortunately, the plan also has many co-benefits, and full implementation will help us invest in a city not only more sustainable, but more accessible and inclusive as well.

I understand that the City has limited resources, and there are many priorities from outside the LECP that merit funding, such as the implementation of the Triple Bottom Line approach and curbside organic bin purchases. This is one reason why it is crucial that the City develop long-term, sustainable funding strategies for the LECP, so that it is not competing with other urgent priorities and so that its various initiatives need not be debated at budget deliberations year after year. Administration has proposed a suite of potential options, and a combination of them such as the development of a dedicated Green Fund (funded by savings from implementation of the LECP), carbon tax rebates, and savings from general emissions reductions could go a very long way to creating stable funding to ensure full implementation of the LECP and the long-term savings it represents. This is a critical time for Council to demonstrate leadership on this file, and Saskatoon residents stand to gain a lot through the full implementation of this plan. Please remember that it is designed as a comprehensive strategy

and requires stable, long-term funding.

Best regards, Justin Fisher Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

Gail Stevens <

Sent:

Saturday, November 23, 2019 11:28 PM

To:

City Council

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To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Silverwood Road

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable)

Subject Budget Priorities and Funding for LECP

Meeting (if known) Council's Budget Deliberations, Nov. 25 - 27, 2019

Comments

Good evening,

With regards to your upcoming budget deliberations, I wish to present the following two requests:

- 1. That the priorities list for funding Low Emissions Community Plan (LECP) includes all action items that were recommended in the Low Emissions Community Plan report. I understand that some items were excluded from consideration. Since this is a comprehensive plan, it is inconsistent to exclude some items, and thereby, render them inaccessible to council for funding consideration.
- 2. That Council establish a mechanism that is specifically established to ensure long-term funding to implement action items identified in the LEC Plan. To secure ongoing commitment to- and effective implementation of the plan, I believe Council needs to ensure that this initiative receives a commitment to ongoing funding support, so that implementation does not rely on ambiguous funding that would result if LECP funding was left to annual consideration at Council's budget deliberations.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to you for your important work on behalf of Saskatoon's citizens. Best wishes for an effective decision process and outcomes that enable Saskatoon to continue leading into the future.

Sincerely, Gail Stevens Attachments

Brenda MacDonald <

Sent:

Sunday, November 24, 2019 10:58 AM

To:

City Council

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Date Sunday, November 24, 2019

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Last Name MacDonald

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable)

Subject LEC

Meeting (if known)

Comments

I am pleased and proud of our city council for taking initiative and setting goals for lowering our emissions in Saskatoon. I would encourage our council to support our undertaking with adequate funding and planning. The City of Saskatoon can be a leader in our province in this necessary pursuit. Good luck with your deliberations! Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

Justin Fisher

Sent:

Sunday, November 24, 2019 4:56 PM

To:

City Council

Subject:

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To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Last Name Fisher

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Province Saskatchewan

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable) Climate Justice Saskatoon Subject Low Emissions Community Plan funding

Meeting (if known) CITY COUNCIL - PRELIMINARY BUSINESS PLAN AND BUDGET

Comments

Please find below and attached a letter from Climate Justice Saskatoon regarding the Low Emissions Community Plan in relation to the upcoming budget deliberations at City Hall.

Sincerely,

Justin Fisher, on behalf of CJS

Dear Saskatoon City Council,

We are writing to follow up on our letter from August of this year, in which we expressed our support for the Low Emissions Community Plan (LECP) and our willingness to engage with the City and the broader community around issues of education and implementation. We were pleased to see Council decide to move forward with continued work on the plan. We feel that the upcoming budget deliberations provide another important opportunity for us to share our concerns as a community-based organization dedicated to the vision of a sustainable and just transition to a low-carbon community. These deliberations are a critical juncture in moving towards the implementation of this exciting plan and opportunity.

As we noted in August, we support bold climate action based on the best science available and thus in line with IPCC and international targets; while the City's current targets are not in line with the IPCC's aspirational goal of limiting warming to 1.5 C, we appreciate the City's willingness to set ambitious and achievable targets, and expect that the City will continually review said targets and bring them into alignment with international goals. It is critical to note, though, that even our short-term targets are undermined by continued delay in implementation, including through lack of funding and under-funding. As such, adequate funding is crucial to

implementing the LECP and thus to achieving our emissions reductions targets and making the investments our community requires to navigate the challenges posed by climate change.

We understand that the LECP is designed as a comprehensive strategy in which the various initiatives together achieve the goals of the plan. In other words, the plan is not a 'menu of options' that we can pick and choose whether and when to adopt. The plan is in fact reliant on early implementation of critical building blocks in order to achieve the substantial greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reductions and cost savings later in its timeline. With each initiative delayed, we delay GHG emissions reductions, cost savings, and the opportunity to build a new local economy in Saskatoon.

With this in mind, we strongly encourage all LECP initiatives slated for 2020-21 to be funded in this upcoming budget cycle — we have listed these initiatives below. In addition, and crucially, we also strongly encourage the immediate implementation of a variety of long-term funding mechanisms to establish a reserve for sustainable, stable financing of the LECP throughout its full timeline. Moving forward on a variety of options as outlined by City administration, such as the establishment of a dedicated revolving Green Fund, in which savings from emissions reductions are re-invested in LECP initiatives, the allocation of carbon tax rebates, and some measure of traditional debt financing, can help us to achieve such sustainable funding. As with implementing LECP initiatives, the establishment of such funding mechanisms cannot be delayed if we are to achieve our targets and the full cost- and emissions-savings associated with the LECP. Finally, we also strongly support triple bottom line implementation which will ensure GHG implications are considered widely across the City's activities.

As always, we are willing and eager to engage on these issues with the City and the broader community. We are committed to helping to achieve this goal of a low-carbon, sustainable, and thriving community.

Sincerely, Climate Justice Saskatoon Attachments cjs support re funding the lecp.pdf

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Sincerely,

Climate Justice Saskatoon

Tracey Mitchell <

Sent:

Sunday, November 24, 2019 7:52 PM

To:

City Council

Subject:

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Submitted on Sunday, November 24, 2019 - 19:51

Submitted by anonymous user: 71.17.212.9

Submitted values are:

Date Saturday, November 23, 2019

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Last Name Mitchell

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Address Lansdowne Ave., Apt

City Saskatoon

Province Saskatchewan

Postal Code

Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable)

Subject Budget Deliberations re: LECP and Library

Meeting (if known)

Comments

Dear Mayor Clark and Councillors,

I am writing to urge you to prioritize strong climate action in the city by including all of the actions proposed for 2020 and 2021 in the current budget cycle.

Already, we are seeing devastating impacts of climate change around the world and the impacts are expected to get much worse unless emissions are reduced dramatically. Saskatchewan has among the highest per capita emissions in the world, and therefore, it's even more important that we do our part to mitigate climate change. The City is already not on track to achieve the targets that you, as a Council passed, for 2023. If you continue to delay any of the actions in the plan, you will also further delay the achievement of your targets. Delaying action is irresponsible and harmful to people all over the world now and in the future. Delays also have significant economic impacts, delaying the cost savings that the city can enjoy and delaying transition to a new economy.

I urge you to pass all of the 2020 and 2021 LECP initiatives in this budget cycle and to begin the process of establishing long term funding options so that each action in the LEC Plan does not have to be debated by council each year.

I also encourage you to support the triple bottom line approach that the City is in the process of establishing. Making decisions with social, environmental and economic lenses in mind is good and responsible governance. Support for developing this approach should be included in the budget as well.

Finally, I strongly support the proposal for the City to loan funds for the new downtown library. Libraries are vital public spaces, they contribute to the economy through their critical role in educating the public and

reducing inequality, and they are a place for people to go who have few other safe options.

Please consider the social, environmental and economic impacts of your decisions on the most vulnerable populations and on future generations when you debate and vote on the budget. Thank you for your consideration.

Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

Linda Murphy <

Sent:

Sunday, November 24, 2019 10:33 PM

To:

City Council

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Date Sunday, November 24, 2019 To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council First Name Linda Last Name Murphy

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City Saskatoon

Province Saskatchewan

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable)

Subject LEC plan/budget

Meeting (if known)

Comments

The budget upon which you are voting should support the LEC plan now and in the future. I don't know how many ways I can say this but it is now or never as far as our survival is concerned. I don't know very much about the budget but I can beg you to allocate funds to the LEC plan over and above anything that may be deemed frivolous. If we don't get this right, we won't be around to worry about it any longer. I may sound a tad negative but the climate emergency is real and we must do what we can to alleviate it.

I just want this letter to be on record, as I am certain you are hearing many similar thoughts.

Sincerely,

Linda Murphy

Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

Hayley Carlson

Sent:

Monday, November 25, 2019 7:49 AM

To:

City Council

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Rempel Cove

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable)

Subject Low Emissions Community Plan Initiatives

Meeting (if known) 2020/2021 MULTI-YEAR PRELIMINARY CORPORATE BUSINESS PLAN AND

BUDGET

Comments

Please find attached a letter from the Saskatchewan Environmental Society for the 2020/2021 Corporate

Business Plan and Budget Agenda items pertaining to the Low Emissions Community Plan.

Attachments

ses letter budget deliberations and lec plan nov 2019.pdf

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

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November 25, 2019



Dear Mayor Clark and Members of City Council,

The Saskatchewan Environmental Society has been a strong supporter of the Low Emissions Community (LEC) Plan since its release this summer. The full implementation of the 40 action measures in this Plan would represent a serious attempt by the City to achieve the emissions reduction goals City Council set in 2017 - particularly the goal of an 80% reduction in community-wide emissions by 2050. Additionally, all but nine of the action measures in the Plan result in savings, and the anticipated overall net return by 2050 exceeds \$14 billion.

The primary obstacle in moving forward with the LEC Plan to realize significant greenhouse gas reductions and cost savings, is identifying and applying adequate funding. We understand from information provided for the August 26 City Council meeting that the LEC Plan funding required is approximately \$5.5 million in 2020 and \$4.2 million in 2021. We note from the upcoming budget deliberations that there is currently \$19 million in available funding (from the RCE, MMSW and Federal Gas Tax) to advance City Council priority projects in 2020 and 2021, and therefore more than enough to fund 2020-2021 LEC initiatives. We strongly encourage City Council to act decisively to allocate adequate funding in these first two, critical years of the LEC Plan to give us a strong start and keep us on track to meet our targets.

There are significant financial advantages in allocating this initial funding, as there is a strong return on investment for almost all LEC initiatives. Most of the action measures in the LEC Plan depend on critical building blocks established in early phases to capitalize on the significant cost savings from reduced energy, maintenance and operations costs for both the City and residents.

As Council moves to consider budget items over the next week, we are particularly looking forward to seeing the following initiatives funded:

• City-wide Solar/Renewable Strategy: This is critical to establish a long-term, comprehensive strategy for solar and renewable energy that will explore opportunities, costs, barriers to action and strategies for improvement. Once in place, the City and multiple partners can proceed to development solar and other renewable energy systems with a robust understanding of the renewable energy landscape in Saskatoon.



- Utility Scale Solar Energy Project Implementation on Parcel M: Council has resolved to set aside Parcel M for development of a solar plant with a feasibility study underway, the next step is implementation. This project will contribute towards Saskatoon Light & Power's target to generate additional energy from local and renewable sources, and can demonstrate the many opportunities present in developing the renewable energy sector in Saskatoon. Long-term, the Saskatchewan Environmental Society would like to see Saskatoon Light & Power be able to construct its own wind power facilities in appropriate rural areas outside city limits.
- Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Financing Program: We strongly support the use of PACE to incentivize existing commercial, institutional and industrial building owners to install solar systems. From our experience in working with commercial building owners in Saskatoon, solar systems on a great many existing commercial buildings are economically viable today. The primary obstacle is upfront capital cost, which PACE would help overcome. Further, PACE financing is an action measure virtually all stakeholders consulted by the City agree upon and would like to see the City pursue.
- Community Incentive Program for Building Efficiencies, High Performance Civic Building Policy Phase I and II: PACE Financing supports further work on building energy efficiency improvements for new and existing buildings. The Development of a High Performance Building Policy for Municipal Buildings and the application of this standard to a pilot building project, are important first steps to achieving operating cost reductions and energy savings in future builds. In the community, the Saskatchewan Environmental Society also has experience running programs to provide incentives, audits and training (such as our Energy Audit Program which can identify savings of 20-30% or our Builder Operator training program which can reduce utility costs in a building 5 to 10%). These types of programs are consistent with the method of Community Based Social Marketing, which is effective at promoting behavior change.
- Community Electrical Vehicle (EV) Adoption Strategy: The EV market is expected to grow
 significantly to 2030 and beyond, and this initiative to develop partnerships, incentive
 and education programming, and a robust EV charging infrastructure network is well
 timed. Presentations and communications to Council indicate there are potential
 partnership and revenue generating opportunities associated with this initiative as well.

There are several additional non-LEC items we are supportive of that are also in need of funding, such as Curbside Organics Bin Purchase and Triple Bottom Line Implementation. We are strongly supportive of the Triple Bottom Line Implementation as this will provide the framework to ensure decision-making across the City incorporates an understanding of financial, environmental and social impacts.



In the long run, establishing long term sustainable funding for the LEC Plan is critical. The Saskatchewan Environmental Society supports the establishment of a **dedicated capital reserve** for climate change work in Saskatoon. We suggest that many of the options provided in the Funding Options report by administration, such as green revolving funds and carbon tax allocations, be applied simultaneously to fund this reserve.

Thank you for considering our suggestions and we look forward to work on the LEC Plan getting underway.

Sincerely,

Hayley Carlson,

Board Member Saskatchewan Environmental Society