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Dear council. I am concerned with the direction our funding is starting to take here in Saskatoon. I appreciate that part of the community needs involves enrichment and activities, and I would never deny our city of that which makes Saskatoon enjoyable to live in. However, during this current economic downturn, I think investing \$150+ mill on a library that has limited usage is irresponsible in light of the real needs this city requires. We just had a man attacked by youth this past week in a neighborhood where policing is desperately needed. We have some roads crumbling beneath people's feet. Our services for disabled and challenged persons is almost laughable compared to other communities. As a result, we have a gentrified the Pleasant Hills neighborhood swarming with slumlords taking advantage of at risk persons and allowing shelter to gangs and thugs. We have road ways that are unsafe. And although I myself am not handicapped, I see people in walkers and wheelchairs struggle just to get anywhere they need to get to just to live. How many police officers could this money hire? How many people could be put to work cleaning and repairing our streets? How many services could be improved upon for those that cannot get around, especially in winter. I ask you, if someone on your street was getting stabbed every couple days, would you not want something done? Please, not now with this library. There are way more important things to focus on.

Attachments

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

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