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What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: Options for the Review of Minimum Parking Regulations [MPC2023-0502]

Comments:

Good afternoon,

Please see the attached letter.

Thank you.

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• NSBA Letter regarding Parking Regulations.pdf216.73 KB

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December 4, 2023

Standing Policy Committee on Planning, Development, and **Community Services** 222 3rd Avenue North Saskatoon, SK S7K 0J5

SASKATOON'S BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Dear Standing Policy Committee Members;

Re: Options for the Review of Minimum Parking Regulations

The NSBA has always strongly advocated for a business-friendly environment with minimal red tape, which is why I am writing to express our support for Option 3 – the removal of minimum parking requirements in the ongoing review of parking regulations.

Removing minimum parking requirements offers several advantages to businesses, developers and homeowners. One that resonates with us is the potential to improve affordability for businesses, developers and homeowners by reducing the financial burdens and extra costs associated with providing unnecessary parking spaces.

In addition, Option 3 grants businesses, developers, and homeowners the autonomy to determine the appropriate number of parking spaces for their properties. This flexibility ensures that parking spaces are tailored to the specific needs of each area, reflecting market demands accurately.

The NSBA would like to address the City's concern about this option by emphasizing that removing minimums does not imply a lack of parking provision. Instead, it empowers businesses and developers to build the right amount of parking for their respective locations. This approach not only promotes efficiency but also reduces the risk of parking oversupply, which is a concern in many areas.

In conclusion, we believe that Option 3 – Remove Minimum Parking Requirements is the best choice due to its numerous benefits, as stated in the administration's report and comments gathered from our members. We encourage the Committee to consider these advantages when making a decision.

Sincerely,

Keith Moen **Executive Director**