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Date: Monday, December 04, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Comments:

To the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation,

I am writing in support of the report recommendation to approve a policy for all neighbourhood bikeways in Saskatoon to have a posted speed limit of 30 km/h. This is a safe and effective way to save lives.

As a cyclist, and father of regular bike riders, and someone who drives a vehicle, I know that a reduced speed limit on these corridors would increase safety, reduce accidents and injury, and generally create a more welcoming environment for all users. Especially the kids aged 12-16, that don't drive yet, but are not welcomed on sidewalks.

SGI President and CEO Penny McCune is quoted on the SGI website: "The faster you speed, the less time you have to react. And if a collision does happen, higher speeds equal more damage and a greater risk of injury and death." We've seen the result of this in Saskatoon too frequently.

I strongly encourage this committee to forward this recommendation to City Council. It is a low-investment decision with very high returns.

Thank you for your consideration,

Mitch Lowe

Ward 6

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