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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: Sunday, December 17, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable): Saskatchewan Health Authority

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL Wednesday, December 20, 2023

What agenda item do you wish to comment on **?:** 9.2.1 Connecting Avenue C: Walking and Cycling Improvement Project [TS2023-1201]

Comments:

See attached letter for submission. Thank you kindly

Attachments:

• SHALOS ConnectAveC 2023Dec14.pdf271.88 KB

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



December 17, 2023 His Worship, the Mayor, and Members of City Council Office of the City Clerk 222 – 3rd Avenue North Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7K 0J5

Dear His Worship, the Mayor, and Members of City Council,

I am reaching out to communicate my stance on the Connecting Avenue C: Walking and Cycling Improvement Project. I affirm my endorsement for this project as a means for promoting better health and well-being of Saskatoon residents.

The implementation of walking and cycling infrastructure, particularly in the form of All Ages and Abilities infrastructure in the City of Saskatoon's Active Transportation Plan, plays a crucial role in encouraging citizens to engage in more physical activity. This proves beneficial in preventing and managing many chronic diseases. This type of infrastructure is not only safer but also effective in preventing injuries associated with pedestrians and cyclists, especially those resulting from collisions with motor vehicles.

Promoting health and well-being equity for Saskatoon residents by providing walking and cycling facilities, and building a connected network strengthens the community. The proposed project enables Saskatoon residents particularly those without access to a vehicle, whether due to age, lack of a driver's license, personal choice, or necessity, to utilize walking and cycling as a means to access opportunities such as employment, education, businesses, and food. This contributes to improving many determinants of individual and community well-being.

The north section of Avenue C is a transit route that currently lacks adequate pedestrian infrastructure. This poses challenges to transit users, particularly mobility or visual impairment. As individuals disembark from buses, they transition to pedestrians, emphasizing the necessity for pedestrian amenities. This is especially crucial for persons with disability who aim to patronize businesses or access employment opportunities.

Building the City of Saskatoon's All Ages and Abilities (AAA) cycling network, which includes the Avenue C segment will promote a healthier community where all residents have experience enhanced mobility through a safe and versatile multimodal transportation system.

Thank you for taking into account the health, safety, and equitable well-being of Saskatoon residents as you make decisions regarding this project.

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Dr. Jasmine Hasselback, Saskatoon Medical Health Officer

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