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I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor .: No

Date: Monday, December 18, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

First Name: RANDY AND DENYSE

Last Name: PASTL

Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:

Phone Number :

Email:

Address: Sherry Way

Neighbourhood: Parkridge

City: Saskatoon

Province: Saskatchewan

Postal Code:

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: City Council Agenda - Regular Business Meeting - Wednesday, 20 December 2023

What agenda item do you wish to comment on **?:** 9.2.2 Neighbourhood Bikeways 30 km/h speed limit Policy [TS20231203] and/or 9.2.1 Connecting Avenue C:Walking and Cycling Improvement Project [TS2023-1201]

Comments:

As avid bikers in our 60's and 70's we love biking around our beautiful city, however, safety for ourselves while biking is one of our major concerns. Both of us feel strongly that we be should be able to ride our bikes anywhere in this city whether it is for a pleasure ride or just out shopping and that we should be able to do so safety.

We are writing in support of the following motions:

9.2.2 Neighbourhood Bikeways 30 km/h Speed Limit Policy [TS20231203]

9.2.1 Connecting Avenue C: Walking and Cycling Improvement Project [TS2023-1201]

We believe both of these measures help move the City of Saskatoon toward a healthier, safer, and more equitable and sustainable active transportation network, which in turn contributes to a happier community.

As regular bike riders, we welcome infrastructure like the Connecting Avenue C: Walking and Cycling Improvement Project that both encourages more "AAA" (All Ages and Abilities) users and increases accessibility into neighbourhoods where people want to go, regardless of their mode of transportation. This project will provide a significant north south corridor for citizens using Active Transportation and provide simpler access to work opportunities in the North business district for those who cannot afford, or do not wish to use, a personal vehicle.

The addition of a 30 km/h speed limit to roads designated as Neighbourhood Bikeways will provide a noticeably safer riding experience as it: discourages high volume and speed of vehicular traffic, creates a more welcoming and inviting environment for cyclists, allows all parties to see each other well in advance,

gives all parties more time to react to the unexpected and

in the worst case scenario of a collision, mitigates the severity and extent of injury

These measures are long over due and as environmentally concerned citizens we should all be striving toward solutions that reduce high volume motor vehicle traffic.

Thank you for your consideration,

Your name Randy and Denyse Pastl Your Ward # 3

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