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Subject: FW: Email - Communication - Virginia Morley - Connecting Avenue C Walking and Cycling Improvement Project - CK 6000-5

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Submitted on Monday, December 4, 2023 - 17:17

Submitted by user: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

I have read and understand the above statements.: Yes

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: Monday, December 04, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

First Name: Virginia

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Neighbourhood: [Airport Business Area](#)

City: Saskatoon

Province: Saskatchewan

Postal Code: S7L 6C3

Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable): Energy Doctor Home Renovations

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: Connecting Ave C Proposal

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: The connecting of Ave C proposal

Comments:

Mr. Mayor and City of Saskatoon Counsellors, my company would like to formally go on record opposing this project. It appears in light of the negative happenings in this city that this project should not even be on the table. As we all know we have normally 4-6 months of snow. How is adding a bike lane going to improve this street? We are NOT Vancouver, this is not practical at all. Perhaps some of the 8 million plus dollars could go to serving the taxpayers better by having better snow removal in the residential areas so people can park properly, helping the homeless, and making the streets safer. And I ask you, how would you all feel if the parking in front of your home is to be eliminated? What is your plan for the people who live in these houses? Or, as a business owner, how would you feel to have your city eliminate your parking lot for a bike lane? As residents who have occupied our building for over 20 years, we rarely see anyone in our area on a bike. Now may you say, it's because there's no place to ride, I beg to differ, it's because half of our year is winter and most people don't ride their bikes to work. It's our understanding that the City of Saskatoon budget isn't balancing. How is adding another 8-9 million dollars helping the residents of this city? The projected budget does not include snow removal and snow removal equipment costs for the 6-7 months of winter.

Loss of 155+ parking spaces residential and commercial of which the majority are commercial that generate revenue for tax paying businesses along the route as well as monies for community upkeep through the parking meter fund.

Spending such a large amount of money on a project for a small number of cyclists who will use it when other major infrastructure in our City is failing and requires immediate attention seems out of touch.

Let's get back to serving the people who live in this city who pay the taxes. who pay YOUR salaries. Why don't you ask us where we'd like to see improvements? We're the ones funding this city and we should have a say as to where the money is spent. I know you can't please everyone but let's be practical. Covid already harmed a lot of businesses, and put stress on people. please look at the facts and vote this down. Let's get back to the necessities of life.

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