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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

Pronouns: He/him/his

First Name: Ward

Last Name: Wurtz

Phone Number:

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Neighbourhood: Forest Grove

City: Saskatoon

Email:

Province: Saskatchewan

Postal Code:

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: Neighbourhood Bikeways 30 km/h Speed Limit Policy [TS2023-1203] and Connecting Avenue C: Walking and Cycling Improvement Project [TS2023-1201]

Comments:

Dear Saskatoon City Council,

I am writing to you today because there are two motions before council related to cycling and pedestrian safety.

I have lived in Saskatoon for more than 20 years and am familiar with the challenges of getting around the city without a car. It can be dangerous as traffic is aggressive and some drivers have little regard for the lives of cyclists and pedestrians. These contemptuous drivers may be a minority, but it only takes one to seriously injure, or even kill, a cyclist or pedestrian. Good infrastructure is required to keep cyclists and pedestrians safe.

9.2.2 Neighbourhood Bikeways 30 km/h Speed Limit Policy [TS2023-1203]

This is a terrific idea! Slow. The. Cars. Down. Like 30 km/h school zones, this motion will add a few seconds to a motorist's drive but makes life safer and more comfortable for those who wish to use the road without a car. Think of the children! Will a few extra seconds in a car harm a child? No. Will reducing stopping distance for cars by limiting speeds to 30 km/h save one's life? Very possibly, yes.

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

I fully support cycling and pedestrian infrastructure in the city. I encourage council to add more. When cost is a concern, I encourage council to implement infrastructure properly. Too much of our cycling and pedestrian infrastructure is for show only — it is poorly maintained and dangerous to use by all but the most seasoned cyclists and fearless pedestrians. So, let us do as much as can be done to make a safe corridor for cyclists and pedestrians and do it properly.

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