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Date: Monday, December 18, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: He/him/his

First Name: Charles

Last Name: Plante

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Address: 26th St West

Neighbourhood: Caswell Hill

City: Saskatoon

Province: Saskatchewan

Postal Code:

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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:

Dear Council,

My wife and I had our first child a few months ago. When she is a bit older, we look forward to taking advantage of the planned Avenue C: Walking and Cycling Improvement Project and Neighbourhood Bikeways 30 km/h Speed Limit Policy to make regular family trips to Riversdale, Downtown, and the River. We live in Caswell Hill and it's unlikely we'll be making these trips otherwise.

I'd be surprised if the adjacent Business Improvement Districts aren't 100% behind these improvements. From my family's perspective, these improvements will be the difference between us taking weekly Saturday morning walks and bike rides to their districts or pilling into the car and going elsewhere. If these improvements are made, and we can find childcare locally, our trips could even become daily.

Time and time again, research has shown that these kinds of developments will reduce crime, increase safety, and improve the quality of life for everyone in Saskatoon. Of course, on a more selfish level, as a Caswell Hill property owner, by connecting my neighbourhood to downtown and the river, I also look forward to the wonders they will do for my property value.

A friend likes to say, "Sometimes the right thing to do is also the smart thing to do." These improvements provide our city with just such an opportunity. Council, please do the right thing and not the dumb thing.

Thank you, Chuk

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