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City Clerks office  
His Worship Charlie Clark and councillors of Saskatoon

The Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc not profit charity wishes to submit the following letters to the upcoming committee meetings please.

The City of Saskatoon website is undergoing maintenance, so we are emailing our request in via email to present this information to the committees.

We have no videos to submit, and we do not wish to speak.

Kind Regards  
Julia Adamson

  
This email is being sent to you in regards to these two committee meetings:



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Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities, and Corporate Services (EUCS)  
City of Saskatoon  
222 3rd Avenue North  
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### **Re: Approval of Site Enhancement Design and Construction for Richard St Barbe Baker Afforestation Area [EUCS2023-0406]**

Dear Members of the Standing Policy Committee on EUCS,

On behalf of the Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas, we are writing to express our strong support for the proposed Site Enhancement Design and Construction for the Richard St Barbe Baker Afforestation Area (RSBBAA), as outlined in the report [EUCS2023-0406] submitted by Jessie Best, Project Manager YXE Green Infrastructure Strategy Sustainability City of Saskatoon.

The Richard St. Barbe Baker Afforestation Area stands as a testament to Saskatoon's commitment to heritage, climate action, and the protection of habitats for species at risk. Named after the renowned global conservationist Richard St. Barbe Baker, whose legacy includes the planting of billions of trees worldwide, this area is a vital green space in our city.

The proposed enhancements, including the addition of approximately 1,800 native trees and shrubs, signify a significant step towards the continued development and preservation of this natural haven. These enhancements align seamlessly with our city's broader environmental goals, contributing to climate change mitigation, biodiversity conservation, and improved public health.

Moreover, the inclusion of upgrades such as the conversion of a 940-meter-long dirt trail to a crusher dust trail, the installation of waste bins, and a swing gate at the southeast parking lot, will undoubtedly enhance the overall experience for visitors while addressing site challenges.

We understand that the proposed enhancements are partially funded through the City's Natural Infrastructure Fund (NIF) Green Network Project. This investment not only contributes to the improvement of RSBBAA but also aligns with our city's commitment to sustainable development and green infrastructure.

This meeting marks a crucial step in the approval process for this project, and we urge your careful consideration and support. The success of this proposal is not only essential for the Richard St. Barbe Baker Afforestation Area but also represents a significant contribution to Saskatoon's green initiatives and environmental legacy.

We sincerely appreciate your dedication to the well-being of our city's green spaces and your commitment to creating a sustainable and vibrant community. The proposed enhancements are anticipated to bring numerous benefits to the community, and we believe they will play a vital role in shaping the future of RSBBA.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to witnessing the continued growth and improvement of the Richard St. Barbe Baker Afforestation Area.

Sincerely,

Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas