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From: Web NoReply <web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca>
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Submitted on Sunday, August 13, 2023 - 10:19

Submitted by user: [REDACTED]

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.: Yes

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

Date: Sunday, August 13, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: She/her/hers

First Name: Julia

Last Name: Boughner

Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name: My last name is pronounced like "BOOK-ner" but with a 'hard g' sound instead of a 'k'.

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Neighbourhood: [Buena Vista](#)

City: Saskatoon

Province: Saskatchewan

Postal Code: [REDACTED]

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: Special Budget Meeting

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: Climate Action Plan, budget

Comments:

My letter is in support of staunch uninterrupted funding of the City of Saskatoon's Climate Plan to mitigate and build resilience to global heating in our city. Thank you.

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

Saskatoon City Council
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August 12th, 2023.

Dear Mayor Clark and City of Saskatoon Councillors,

My name is Julia Boughner, a constituent of Ward 6 (Buena Vista).

Thank you for the work that you have been doing to mitigate the drivers of global heating and to build the City of Saskatoon's resilience in the face of the climate crisis. I value the City's actions, including the Net Metering program, which my household has participated in since our solar panels were installed in 2016.

However, further to the City's current *Climate Action Plan*, I'm writing to express my deep concern over the possible cuts and delays that are being discussed in the upcoming multi-year budget for our city.

As recent extreme climate events, including droughts and forest fires, are showing clearly, we live in a time when further delay of climate mitigation is unacceptable and irresponsible – and not a little terrifying if I am being honest, when I think about the future for my family and community.

For the 2024-2025 budget, funding towards Saskatoon's Climate Plan and beyond needs to be made a top priority because to do otherwise places residents' wellbeing and livelihoods at risk.

I know that climate change will impact Saskatoon. As a citizen, I want my city councilor to support and fund programs, services and initiatives that will fight the climate crisis. I've come to rely on City services, such as sustainable transportation, renewal energy, community gardens, green infrastructure, and forest protection. I want to see these and other initiatives, services and projects that lower emissions – such as improved public transportation, public EV charging stations, and library services – funded and prioritized.

I hope that during the next budget meeting on August 15 and in the November budget meeting, strategies outlined in the City of Saskatoon's Climate Plan are prioritized and not considered for austerity measures.

Councillor Block, I hope you will represent these views during the budget discussion, as a councillor who both represents the desires and needs of the Ward 6 community as well as protects and secures its future.

Thank you all for your taking the time to read and consider my letter.

Keep well,



Julia Boughner, Ward 6 Citizen, Saskatoon

