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**Subject:** FW: Email - Communication - John Krowina - Environmental Health Business Line Information - CK 430-72 x 1700-1

**From:** Web NoReply <[web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca](mailto:web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca)>

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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, August 14, 2023

**To:** His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

**Pronouns:** He/him/his

**First Name:** John

**Last Name:** Krowina

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**Province:** Saskatchewan

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**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

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

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** Budget item re funding for climate office/activities

**Comments:**

Dear Mayor and Council,

I understand that the City Council will be meeting soon to consider the City's budget for its climate office and programs, and that both are subject to being "defunded" in the name of cost-saving.

I am strongly opposed to any cuts to this office or activities. The climate crisis is real. It is not ideology, it is physics. It is causing death, injury, property loss, economic loss, danger to health and environmental damage on a constant basis. How many Saskatonians will suffer health effects due to breathing toxic wildfire smoke this summer?

The City has the jurisdiction, the authority and a moral duty to take action to defend the public interest and protect residents of Saskatoon from this ongoing and worsening threat to life and health. Such action is not a frill, a luxury or an add-on to the "real" business of the City. This responsibility is increased when the provincial government is dominated by climate Deniers.

Given the undeniable existential threat we face, how can the City possibly justify cutting, as opposed to tripling or quadrupling its climate action budget? It is time for everyone to dispense with ideology and act based on the scientific evidence which is overwhelming.

Thank you.

John Krowina

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