From: City Council

Subject: FW: Email - Communication - Rachel Malena-Chan - Eco-Anxious Stories - Council to Reject Cuts to

Climate Action - CK 1700-1

Attachments: Don't cut climate action.pdf

From: Web NoReply <web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca> **Sent:** Thursday, November 16, 2023 12:24 PM **To:** City Council <City.Council@Saskatoon.ca>

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Submitted on Thursday, November 16, 2023 - 12:23

Submitted by user:

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: Thursday, November 16, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: She/her/hers

First Name: Rachel

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Province: Saskatchewan

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable): Eco-Anxious Stories

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

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

Comments:

My letter calls for council to reject cuts to climate action.

Attachments:

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

Dear Mayor Clark and Councillors,

My name is Rachel Malena-Chan and I'm a constituent of ward 10.

The climate crisis is an underlying context for every policy, plan, and strategy - it touches every aspect of our lives as residents of Saskatoon and it cannot be ignored. The climate has already warmed 1.2 degrees Celsius compared to pre-industrial temperatures, and cities must be at the forefront to mitigate and adapt to this worsening reality.

I'm writing to you to express my concern over the possible cuts and delays that are being discussed in the upcoming multi-year budget that could affect our commitment to climate action. As a citizen of Saskatoon, I want my city councilor to support and fund programs, services and initiatives that will fight the climate crisis.

You can't reduce risk without spending resources, and it is unethical to push these decisions onto future leaders. Children and youth already report high levels of eco-anxiety across Canada (see research by Galway and Field, Lakehead University, 2022). In addition to feeling scared for their future, young people also report feeling betrayed by governments and leaders who could have done more to prevent harms.

Please stand against cuts to climate action and commit to accelerating solutions. There is no better time to act than now, and there is no better way to reduce costs for the future than through ambitious action today.

Thanks,

Rachel Malena-Chan Owner and Creator Eco-Anxious Stories