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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

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What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments? (if known):: November 2023 budget meetings

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Please bring to the attention of all City Councillors and the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee

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Date: November 14, 2023

Dear Mayor Charlie Clark and City Councillors,

My name is Claire Card. I am a long-term resident of City Park and a constituent of Ward 1. The residents of Saskatoon have endured another drought and record-breaking hot, smoke-filled summer with northern forest fires consuming an area five times the size of Prince Albert National Park.

The purpose of this letter is to underscore the importance continuing strong budgetary support for Saskatoon's Climate Action Plan. I am writing to City Council at this time, because of the upcoming multi-year budget discussions in late November. I strong urge you to move forward with plans to mitigate climate change. This in important for investors, insurers, people and families who are sustained by our environment.

As a concerned citizen I do want to see delays and cuts to actions that reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the 2024-2025 budget. I want to see continued support for the low emission plan. In particular greening up our city should be a top priority sustained by: improved and electrified transit services; use of grey / waste water for parks and community gardens; better tree stewardship; improved neighborhood development plans that include boulevard trees and houses oriented to take advantage of solar power; continued PV solar installations on city buildings along with an inventory of city buildings that meet engineering specifications to support roof top solar installations.

Additionally, the city of Saskatoon is behind in meeting the emissions reductions targets. The federal government and University of Saskatchewan have not reached their climate goals. There is no time to waste. There is no fully implemented campus green bin program. A strong and vibrant municipal and University partnership could divert hundreds of tons of animal bedding, manure and food waste from going to the landfill, reduce treated water use, and improve energy efficiency.

I am encouraging the Mayor and Councillor Hill to support meaningful climate action in the upcoming budget deliberations.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

