
From: City Council
Subject: FW: Email - Communication - Julia Adamson - Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc - Address Allocations for Climate Action - CK 1700-1
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Submitted on Monday, November 20, 2023 - 22:00

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.: No

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

Date: Monday, November 20, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Province: Saskatchewan

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable): Friends of the Saskatoon
Afforestation Areas inc.

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: Budget deliberations set for November 28
– 30, 2023.

Comments:

Attached is the same letter in two formats for accessibility. In the same wording the letter submits comments Budget
deliberations set for November 28 – 30, 2023

Attachments:

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



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Dear His Worship Mayor Charlie Clark, City Council Members,

RE 2024/2025 Multi-Year Business Plan & Budget final budget review **set for November 28 – 30, 2023.**

As you prepare for the November 29 budget deliberations for the 2024-2025 City of Saskatoon Budget we are writing to address allocations for climate action. Council's leadership can set the tone for the entire community.

Firstly, we commend the City of Saskatoon for its Low Emissions Community (LEC) Master Plan and for being recognized by the Carbon Disclosure Project as one of 95 cities across the globe, and one of only 7 Canadian cities, that are taking bold leadership on environmental action and transparency.

We also note that Jeanna South, lead of the Sustainability Department in a November 3 Global TV interview described the budget as "the first climate budget" in so much as it will embed climate into Council's decision-making like many cities in Canada are now doing.

We are particularly excited about the recent investment in the Green Network's natural infrastructure project which provides a nature-based solution for climate action and addresses biodiversity loss.

Concerns: In light of proposed budget cuts, we encourage the City Council to carefully assess potential impacts on sustainability and environmental programs. Maintaining commitment to climate action, even in challenging financial times, will ensure a sustainable future for Saskatoon.

Of options for reducing costs we are pleased to note that Administration did not recommend reducing tree planting initiatives or extending the tree pruning cycle. It is essential to ensure that these continue to receive the necessary funding to maintain and enhance the city's environmental resilience.

In conclusion, we urge you to stand behind the City of Saskatoon Sustainability Department in making this budget a bold climate initiative.

Thank you for your unwavering dedication to the well-being of Saskatoon and its residents. We, of the Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc., trust that, together, we can create a budget that aligns with the city's environmental goals and promotes a sustainable future.

Sincerely,

Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc.