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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: Sunday, November 26, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: She/her/hers

First Name: Samantha

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Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name: COW-an

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What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: City meeting on Preliminary Business Plan and Budget Review, commencing November 28th, 2023 at 930am

Comments:

The letter passionately supports Meewasin's vital conservation work in the Saskatoon region, highlighting their dedication to preserving the natural environment, biodiversity, and ecosystems. It emphasizes Meewasin's role in creating a resilient community through environmental education and outreach. The letter also stresses the organization's ability to balance urban development with conservation, as evidenced by the success of the Meewasin Valley. It underscores the importance of supporting Meewasin financially, especially in the face of rising operational costs, and acknowledges their contribution to tourism and climate crisis preparedness. As a representative of Saskatoon's Climate Hub, the author strongly endorses ongoing support for Meewasin and urges the reinstatement of funding for 2024 & 2025, including infrastructure funding, for the benefit of the community and the environment.

Attachments:

- [Letter of Support to Meewasin \(2\).pdf](#) 35.01 KB

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

November 27th, 2023

Saskatoon City Council
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Your Worship, the Mayor, and Saskatoon City Councillors;

I am writing to express my support for Meewasin's work in conservation in the Saskatoon region. The dedication and passion exhibited by the Meewasin team in conserving and protecting our natural environment is vital, not only for our city but on a global scale for the work that they do.

Meewasin's efforts in conserving the rich biodiversity of our region, maintaining the health of our ecosystems, and promoting sustainable practices are crucial in ensuring a vibrant and resilient community. The organization's commitment to environmental education and outreach programs plays a pivotal role in raising awareness and fostering a sense of responsibility among the community members.

Through various initiatives and projects, Meewasin has proven itself to be a key player in the conservation landscape, working to balance the needs of urban development with the imperative to safeguard our natural heritage. The Meewasin Valley is a testament to their successful endeavors, providing a haven for wildlife, a recreational space for the community, and a source of inspiration for all who visit.

I believe that supporting Meewasin is an investment in the well-being of our environment, our community, and our shared future. As costs for all operations increase a freeze is a significant detriment and will have negative effects for their organization and many partners.

Their work goes beyond mere conservation; it is a commitment to creating a sustainable and harmonious relationship between humanity and nature. That contributes to our tourism, our level of knowledge, resource and expertise will be needed so much in the climate crisis years we have ahead of us.

On behalf of Saskatoon's Climate Hub, I'm committed to advocating for nature and conservation, I wholeheartedly endorse and encourage continued support for Meewasin's vital conservation work. Their dedication to environmental stewardship is an inspiration to us all, and I am confident that with ongoing support, they will continue to make a significant impact on the preservation of our natural treasures.

Thank you for considering my perspective, and I urge you to reinstate CPI for 2024 & 2025 and maintain all funding including infrastructure funding to support Meewasin's crucial mission for the benefit of our community and the environment.

Respectfully,

Samantha Cowan
Ward 6 Citizen

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