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Submitted on Sunday, January 28, 2024 - 19:31

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: Sunday, January 28, 2024

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

First Name: Joanne

Last Name: Blythe

Phone Number : [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

I live outside of Saskatoon: No

Saskatoon Address and Ward:

Address: [REDACTED] Munroe Ave S

Ward: Ward 6

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

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

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: 11.2.1 Tree Bylaw

Comments:

I wish to express my support for the new Tree Bylaw.

Attachments:

- [JBlythe Tree Bylaw.pdf](#)124.87 KB

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

January 28, 2024

Dear Mayor and City Councillors,

I am writing in support of Bylaw No. 9957, *The Tree Protection Bylaw* which offers increased protection for our City trees.

I have lived in the Haultain neighbourhood, which is part of Ward 6, for a number of years. Haultain is an older neighbourhood containing many mature trees and is also a neighbourhood where infill development, involving the demolition of older homes and construction of new ones, is taking place. I am happy to see that this new bylaw and guidelines will provide more protection for the trees in this neighbourhood, as well as for trees throughout the city.

These trees provide our city with so many benefits. The canopy of the urban forest provides shade in summer and slows the fall of rain in downpours. Trees help cool the city, protect against wind, sequester large amounts of carbon, improve water and air quality, provide habitat for pollinators, birds and other wildlife, and contribute to the beauty and health of the city.

To be an effective bylaw it is critical that the primary regulating body, the Parks Department, has the resources it needs to support the effective administration of the provisions outlined in it. This includes both the ability to inform people about the value and importance of trees and the wherewithal to enforce the bylaw. I urge you to support the passing of this bylaw and to ensure it is able to be effectively implemented.

This bylaw which will help safeguard our city trees will also help us to reciprocate the many gifts the trees give to us.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,
Joanne Blythe