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Subject: FW: Email - Communication - Murray Opdahl - Tree Protection Bylaw - CK 4200-0

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Submitted on Monday, January 29, 2024 - 09:53

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, January 29, 2024

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: He/him/his

First Name: Murray

Last Name: Opdahl

Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name: Opdahl

Phone Number : [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

I live outside of Saskatoon: No

Saskatoon Address and Ward:

Address: [REDACTED] Emmeline Key

Ward: Ward 9

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: City Council Meeting Jan 31,2024

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

Comments:

I am writing to indicate my strong approval of the proposed Tree Protection Bylaw. The trees in our city provide amazing beauty, comfortable areas to walk, habitat for birds and other animals and are an incredible asset to our city. I'm glad to see the bylaw will reduce construction activity around tree root areas with the goal of maintaining our oldest, most beautiful and protective trees.

My wife Deanne and I really enjoy our walks through our city streets, along the Meewasin Valley trail, through our City golf courses and in our local community of Lakeview/Lakeridge. Our trees definitely add to the comfort of our environment and I personally know of a number of guests over the years who have commented on how amazing our tree canopy is.

As a physician who understands the benefits of exposure to nature for health and recreation, I am very happy to hear that city council has proposed the Tree Protection Bylaw, which I hope will be passed to ensure protection of our trees and the beauty of Saskatoon.

With the hope of maintaining our beautiful trees for ourselves and our future generations,

Yours truly,

Dr. Murray Opdahl
Saskatoon Hilltops team physician
Cochair Saskatchewan Chapter of Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment (cape.ca)

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