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Date: Sunday, February 04, 2024

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable): Walking Saskatoon

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: Standing Policy Committee on Transportation, February 6, 2024

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: 7.2.1 31st Street Bikeway Connection to 33rd Street Shared-use Pathway Functional Plan [TS2024-0204]

Comments:

Walking Saskatoon would like to express its support for the functional plan to connect the 31st Street Bikeway to the 33rd Street Shared-use Pathway.

For a wide variety of well-documented reasons, Saskatoon has set the goal of encouraging more people to walk, cycle and take transit in carrying out their daily lives. Yet this goal cannot be met unless the City invests in those vital pieces of infrastructure that make it possible for people to walk and cycle seamlessly and safely from one part of the city to another. The proposal before you identifies one area where vital connections are missing or inadequate and lays out a functional plan for providing them.

We regret that it has not proved feasible to connect 33rd St. with 31st St. except along the edge of an arterial road where pedestrians and cyclists are exposed to noise, car exhaust fumes, water spray, snow clearing debris and other factors that can make travel uncomfortable. Yet these factors underline the importance of making sure that the design option chosen for this connection minimizes possible discomforts and provides a positive experience for those moving along it. With this in mind, Option 5B, which puts at least some distance between people and the street, is clearly the design that best meets the needs of pedestrians and cyclists.

We urge you to approve Option 5B and move forward the plan to add this important piece of infrastructure to Saskatoon's active transportation network.

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