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Subject: FW: Email - Request to Speak - Julia Adamson - Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc - Proclamations Limited to One per Year for Organizations - CK 205-5
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From: Web NoReply <web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca>

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To: City Council <City.Council@Saskatoon.ca>

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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: Wednesday, February 21, 2024

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

First Name: Julia

Last Name: Adamson

Phone Number : [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

I live outside of Saskatoon: No

Saskatoon Address and Ward:

Address: [REDACTED] Appleby Crt

Ward: Ward 2

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

What do you wish to do ?: Request to Speak

If speaking will you be attending in person or remotely: In person

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: Unknown - new topic

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: Unknown

Comments:

Letter Attached

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



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Request for information about City of Saskatoon proclamations

His Worship Mayor Charlie Clark and Councillors

In 2019, the City of Saskatoon decided to limit proclamations to one per year for organizations. The best practices around Canada appears to be that the number of proclamations requested is not noted, and rather that proclamations must be relevant to the city and adhere to protocols and standards within the community.

[Appendix 2 from a City of Saskatoon Meeting](#) delved into best practices, and again no mention is made of the number of requests. Our understanding via research is that best practices across Canada suggest that the number of proclamations is not restricted.

Saskatoon's city clerk office reviews proclamations according to The Flag and Proclamations Policy C01-028. Item 4.3 General Principles – Flag Raising and Proclamation Requests item e) Organizations may request only one flag raising, one proclamation, or one combination within a calendar year (January 1 to December 31)

Why was that the decision made October 28, 2019? Is there a particular concern that led to this limitation, or were there other factors taken into consideration?

For instance, we hope to have a proclamation and flag raising for National Forest Week in September. Additionally, we are eager to support the Government of Canada's initiative for the ParticipACTION Community Challenge in June, aiming to encourage an active and inclusive community. We humbly submit both of these endeavors would be honorable for the City of Saskatoon.

Proclamations serve as official documents to bring attention to important matters and topics in the community, be it a person, event, campaign, or occasion. Fortunately, there are more than one historical, cultural, and civic celebrations and events which may be deemed valuable and of importance – just as the City of Saskatoon has more than one Strategic Goal.

Thank you kindly for any clarification you can shed on this historic decision and the rationale.

Sincerely,

Julia Adamson Chair,

Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas