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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

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To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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First Name: Anna

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City: Saskatoon

Province: Saskatchewan

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What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

Comments:

To Saskatoon City Council,

It has come to my attention that Councillor Block (Ward 6) has introduced motions to council that would attempt to address cycling safety concerns at the intersection of College Dr. and Wiggins Ave. These motions include:

- a third party road safety audit at the intersection
- funding for the above audit
- an update on the implementation of the Active Transportation Plan
- a budget option for an annual Road Safety Audit program

I support these and any future motions that urgently address safety for people riding bikes with a focus on infrastructure for all ages and abilities.

I have commuted year round on my bike for many years, and as we return to the office I will be returning to my bike commute. The safest way to be a cyclist on the roads of Saskatoon is to be on dedicated infrastructure. Unfortunately, none of my route to work takes place that way. I've had close calls. I've had harassment, both from people on the street and people in vehicles. All I want is to safely get from home to work and back again, but for reasons I can't quite fathom, this makes some people angry. I'm writing to tell you: we don't have to listen to these people. Cycling is important, and it deserves proper consideration in traffic design and road allocation.

I'm not a super athlete or exceptionally fit. I choose cycling because parking downtown is expensive. I deserve to feel safe and sure that I will return home to my children each night. Natasha deserved that, too.

The right time to improve cycling safety is NOW.

Thank you,
Anna

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