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**Subject:** FW: Email - Communication - Harold Shiffman - Councillor C Block - Cycling Safety - CK 6000-5

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**From:** Web NoReply <[web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca](mailto:web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca)>

**Sent:** Monday, June 26, 2023 10:47 AM

**To:** City Council <[City.Council@Saskatoon.ca](mailto: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:** Monday, June 26, 2023

**To:** His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

**Pronouns:** He/him/his

**First Name:** Harold

**Last Name:** Shiffman

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**Neighbourhood:** [Lakeview](#)

**City:** Saskatoon

**Province:** Saskatchewan

**Postal Code:** [REDACTED]

**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 been cycling to my job at the university for over a decade, winter and summer, and am amazed almost daily at how many times I put myself at risk trying to get to campus. Our university is the largest hub for cycling in this city, yet there is no safe infrastructure for cyclists to gain access to campus outside of the Meawasin Trail.

For the sake of my family, I try stay away from main roads when I can, but it is impossible to cross either 8th Street or Circle Drive anywhere but at a large traffic-heavy intersections. Not surprisingly, vehicles are frequently unwilling to share the roadway with me and I have been cut off, blocked, and even accosted for trying to protect my legal right of way.

It is fairly obvious that this city's drivers are not interested in making concessions so that everyone on the road can get home safely, so I am in support of any infrastructural improvements that help to separate cyclists and vehicles without compromising or reducing the ability for cyclists to get to where they need to go. The right time to improve cycling safety is NOW.

Thank you,  
Harold Shiffman

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