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

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Date: Monday, June 26, 2023

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: Bike Safety in Saskatoon

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 would also suggest removing the sidewalk bylaw. When the sidewalk is available and free, it should be available to bikers to use. A new bylaw - listing accountability - could replace it, stating specifications to biking on sidewalks which ultimately give the walkers the right of way, yet still allow bikers to use it. Perhaps a requirement to walk the bike past pedestrians or keeps 1.5m away on sidewalks yet still be at a slow speed when near pedestrians, for example. Charges could be laid when people do not follow these rules. Same idea as the rules of the road. There is a way to make the paths and sidewalks safe.

The right time to improve cycling safety is NOW.

Thank you,

Lisa Shiffman

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