

## Janzen, Heather

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**Subject:** FW: Email - Communication - Stephanie Siemens - Councillor C Block - Cycling Safety - CK 6000-5

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

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**To:** City Council <[City.Council@Saskatoon.ca](mailto:City.Council@Saskatoon.ca)>

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Submitted on Monday, June 26, 2023 - 14:15

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:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Stephanie

**Last Name:** Siemens

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** [REDACTED]

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**City:** Saskatoon

**Province:** Saskatchewan

**Postal Code:** [REDACTED]

**What do you wish to do ?:** Submit Comments

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):** Wednesday June 28th Meeting

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 14.1 Councillor Block's motion regarding cycling safety

**Comments:**

To Saskatoon City Council,

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 want to voice my full support of these and any future motions that urgently address safety for people riding bikes with a focus on infrastructure for all ages and abilities. It would also be wise to have this audit extended to the intersection at College and Hospital Drive.

I cycle daily. It is how I commute, get groceries, attend events, all of it. It makes me feel good to cycle. I get fresh air and exercise, and I reduce my carbon footprint. However, cycling is a high risk activity in this city due to the lack of safe infrastructure AND the lack of education and respect of motorists towards cyclists, as exemplified in the death of Natasha Fox, and the vast number of cyclists that have also had close calls.

The right time to improve cycling safety is NOW. Please stop waiting. Please make this a priority. Please do not let the voices of those who are ignorant towards the need for cycling infrastructure sway your commitment to making Saskatoon a safe city for EVERYONE.

Thank you,  
Steph Siemens

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