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I have read and understand the above statements.: Yes

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Date: Monday, April 22, 2024

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: April 24 City Council Meeting

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: 9.1.1

Comments:

Good morning, Please see the attached letter from the Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce on agenda item 9.1.1.

Attachments:

- [Long Term Organics Processing.pdf](#)356.52 KB

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

April 19, 2024

Saskatoon City Council
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Long Term Organics Processing Facility

Dear Mayor Clark and Councillors,

The Saskatoon Chamber recognizes and understands the pressing need for sustainable waste management solutions in our city. We acknowledge the importance of the proposed organics waste processing facility in addressing this need and commend City Council for your commitment to environmental stewardship.

Although we see the importance of the creation of this facility, we would like to express our concerns regarding the current proposal to operate the facility solely through city employees. While we recognize the value of investing in municipal resources, we urge City Council and administration to reconsider the potential benefits of engaging a private contractor to manage the operation.

The decision to entrust the operation of the organics waste processing facility to a private contractor offers several advantages. Firstly, private contractors possess specialized expertise and experience in waste management, often having proven their abilities in other jurisdictions, which can lead to more efficient and effective operations. Additionally, engaging a private contractor can provide the city with greater flexibility in adapting to evolving technologies and industry best practices, ultimately ensuring the long-term viability and success of the facility.

Furthermore, the appointment of a private contractor can help mitigate the financial risks associated with long-term operating investments in city personnel. By outsourcing the operation of the facility, the city can minimize the burden of employee-related expenses, such as salaries, benefits, and pension expenses, thereby optimizing resource allocation and maximizing taxpayer value.

In light of these considerations, we strongly encourage City Council to explore alternative models of operation for the proposed organics waste processing facility. We believe that such an approach has the potential to deliver significant benefits in terms of operational efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and environmental sustainability, ultimately enhancing the overall well-being and prosperity of our community.

We remain committed to collaborating with City Council and administration to achieve our shared goal of creating a cleaner, greener, and more sustainable Saskatoon.

Sincerely,



Jason Aebig, CEO
Greater Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce