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Submitted on Monday, April 22, 2024 - 16:57

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**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:** Saturday, April 20, 2024

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

**Pronouns:** He/him/his

**First Name:** Robert

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**Province:** British Columbia

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Regular Business Meeting City Council

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 9.2.1

**Comments:**

For City Council Meeting.

**Attachments:**

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

To: City Council  
City of Saskatoon

April 20, 2024

**RE: 9.2.1**

I refer to Recommendations contained within the Road Safety Audit (College Drive and Wiggins Avenue), Administration Report to the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation, April 2, 2024.

I am a faculty member in the Department of Geography and Planning , College of Arts and Science, since 2008. I am a frequent cyclist to campus.

The intersection of College and Wiggins is a main gateway to University and the most travelled intersection in the city by pedestrians and cyclists, all bound for the University of Saskatchewan. The city, working with the University has an opportunity to celebrate this location to create a safe and welcoming entrance to “The University the World Needs”, one of Canada’s top 15 university institutions.

Instead, this intersection boasts one of the highest accident rates, including a recent cyclist fatality. The present configuration, signage and crosswalk markings at this intersection prioritizes automobile mobility placing cyclists and pedestrians at constant risk. The right turn off Wiggins onto College creates a pinch point for cyclists and pedestrians. Wiggins is a narrow “side road” and yet a main entrance to the university.

The most significant recommendations from the Road Safety Audit (Items 8 and 9) support not only safety but also active transportation. Administration believe that a “one-off” no right turn would cause drive confusion, as would a bike box and bike lane on Wiggins. The conversion of Wiggins to a one-way northbound street would reduce traffic volume and support active transportation. This intersection needs more than a band-aid approach, Items 8 and 9 need immediate action.

Cities around the world are reducing road space in exchange for safety and human health. We have this opportunity now at this very dangerous intersection.

Sincerely,

*Bob Patrick*

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