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Date: Monday, May 06, 2024

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, Tuesday, May 07, 2024

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: 7.1.1 – Connecting 2nd Avenue/3rd Avenue and 7.1.2 – Opportunities for Rapid Deployment

Comments:

To the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation,

Every step that the City of Saskatoon can make toward expanding a baseline network of safer bike routes is a good step. Before you are two items of business that I believe represent these kinds of good steps.

Regarding item:

7.1.1: Connecting 2nd Avenue/3rd Avenue: Walking, Cycling, and Driving Improvements [TS2024-0504], I support Option 2A – Widen to the West.

Pedestrian actuated signals and a separated shared-use path are great features that will enhance this area of the city and make it much safer for pedestrians and cyclists.

Regarding item:

7.1.2: Opportunities for Rapid Deployment of Safety Improvements on Active Transportation Routes – May 2024 Update [CC2023-0602, TS2023-1003, TS2023-1204], I support Option 2: Implement a Neighbourhood Bikeway using Rapid Deployment on Route 6.

I believe a bikeway along Route 6 (Munroe Avenue) would offer more access to campus for active transportation users with a wider range of abilities and theoretically could reduce University traffic congestion in general, and at College and Wiggins in particular. I have worked at the University for nearly 17 years and I remain dismayed at how poor the cycling routes to campus are.

I urge you to support these items and forward them to your colleagues at city council for further discussion.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ella Ophir

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