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**From:** City Council  
**Subject:** FW: Email - Communication - Sarah Godson - Housing Accelerator Fund - Permitting Up to Four Units in all Residential Zoning Districts – CK 750-1  
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Submitted on Monday, May 27, 2024 - 10:24

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, May 27, 2024

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

**First Name:** Sarah

**Last Name:** Godson

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Kirk Cres

**Ward:** Ward 8

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Municipal Planning commission Meeting, Tuesday May28

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 4 dwelling units & 4 storey multiple units

**Comments:**

Please share the attached file at Municipal planning meeting on Tuesday May 28, 2024.

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

We were recently made aware of the proposed changes in our neighborhood associated with the Housing Accelerator Fund and I (we) are extremely concerned about the adverse effects that this will have.

Infills of 4 units/lot and especially, four storey buildings with multiple dwellings will negatively impact our whole neighborhood and individual homes due to the much larger height and mass of these buildings. It will cause existing homes in otherwise good condition to be torn down, and the trees that provide valuable habitat and environmental resilience will disappear. The lack of off-street parking requirements will create problems and conflicts.

There has been poor communication and consultation with the residents in Saskatoon most affected by these proposed changes and the process has been rushed. Have the consequences such as infrastructure over capacity and overcrowded local schools been considered?

There are numerous assumptions about how the developers will proceed with the bylaw changes.

One goal of the HAF is to increase affordable housing, but the city website documents note that the proposed changes “do not directly dictate affordability of new developments”.

Regarding parking, the HAF Parking FAQ states, “it is expected that new developments will develop the appropriate amount of parking for themselves”. If the city is predicting some on-site parking will be provided, why not develop reduced parking requirements to ensure it occurs to prevent on street parking congestion. Reductions could be adjusted over time as public transit use increases.

We advocate for a considered approach with a controlled transition to meet housing goals rather than a “transformational” throw away the rules and hope for the best outcome. Thus, we encourage you to vote against blanket rezoning and adding four units/lot and four storey multiple dwelling buildings in the Transit and Corridor Development Areas.