## Janzen, Heather

From: City Council

**Subject:** FW: Email - Communication - Miranda Jones - Saskatoon Freeway Planning Study - Phase 2

Endorsement Request - May 2024 Update - CK 6003-1

From: Web NoReply <web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca>

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Submitted on Monday, May 27, 2024 - 16:21

Submitted by user:

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

First Name: Miranda

Last Name: Jones

Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name: Mi-ran-da Jones

Phone Number:

Email:

Llive outside of Saskatoon: No.

Saskatoon Address and Ward:
Address: Temperance Street

Ward: Ward 6

Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable): Miranda Jones

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments? (if known):: Wednesday May 29th

What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?: The proposed freeway alignment through Northeast and small swales

## Comments:

I frequently visit the North East and small swales on my bicycle, particularly when I feel the need of a quiet place where I can get away from traffic noise and connect with nature. As an artist I take great inspiration from this unique area of the city. Saskatoon redidents are so fortunate to have access to these wild spaces, which attract all sorts of wildlife, including a wide variety of migratory birds. No amount of planning will mitigate the detrimental impact a four lane freeway will have on the swale, which is already seriously compromised by current infrastructure. I have seen wounded and deceased Owls and songbirds close to the road, obviously hit by fast moving vehicles. Saskatoon already struggles to attract world class professionals to our city. We need to enhance not destroy the delicate balance between urban sprawl and our unique prairie environment and remember that we are guests here, not conquerors! Car culture is insatiable. Why must we continue to feed this monster at such a huge cost as the loss of our wild places.

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