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**Subject:** FW: Email - Communication - Anne Doig - Median Opening - McKercher Drive and Duncan Crescent - File CK 6320-5

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**From:** Web NoReply <[web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca](mailto:web-noreply@Saskatoon.ca)>

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Submitted on Saturday, June 8, 2024 - 21:43

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:** Saturday, June 08, 2024

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

**First Name:** Anne

**Last Name:** Doig

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** as written

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Duncan Cres

**Ward:** Ward 8

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** N/A

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Wednesday, June 26, 2024

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** new median opening proposed for McKercher Drive at south end Duncan Cres.

**Comments:**

My husband Bob Cowan and I are strongly in favour of the proposed median opening on McKercher Drive at the south end of Duncan Crescent. We support the idea that this should be a controlled (regularly timed traffic lights) intersection with both walk/wait and traffic signalling. There is a need for safe entry to Duncan Crescent from McKercher Drive southbound. As currently designed, there is no access point for southbound traffic. Left (eastward) turns onto Boychuk Drive and Degeer St. are permitted, but neither Boychuk nor Degeer communicates with Duncan. Drivers seeking to access Duncan from McKercher southbound make (arguably illegal) U turns at Degeer, often in an unsafe manner relating to vehicles stopped at the stop sign on Degeer. Similarly, there is a need for safe exit from Duncan Crescent onto McKercher Drive southbound. Both exits from Duncan are right turn only, onto McKercher Drive northbound. There is no option for a U turn at Mount Allison Crescent (which is controlled by a pedestrian activated walk signal and signposted "no U turn") and any attempt to make a U turn at the intersection with Acadia Drive carries the same problems as the U turn at DeGeer. Drivers exiting from Duncan Crescent must either cross both lanes of northbound McKercher within 1/2 block to make a left turn onto Mount Allison Crescent followed by a left onto Anderson Crescent, a left onto Balfour St. and then finally a right onto southbound McKercher, or they must continue to Acadia, make a left and then find their way back towards 8th St. via Acadia. If residents of Duncan Crescent wish to shop or transact other business in the mall at McKercher and 8th, it is a very long way around via Acadia, and a nuisance to residents of Anderson Crescent when their street is used as a through way!

In addition to the issues with safe access to and egress from Duncan Crescent, we are concerned about the very real problem of speeding on McKercher Drive (in both directions) and the need for traffic mitigation. There are regular traffic lights at McKercher and 8th and at McKercher and Boychuk. There are pedestrian activated walk signals at the north exit from the McKercher and 8th mall at Edinburgh Place, and at Mount Allison. A set of lights (possibly with a designated left turn arrow for the eastbound traffic) at a median opening at Duncan Crescent will act as a traffic calming device. We need regular police speed traps on McKercher as well, but lights will help. Selfishly, we would love it if the median opening were at the north (our) end of Duncan Crescent but we understand and agree that it is safer and more practical to make the opening at the south end. We will get used to driving around our crescent from southbound McKercher.

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