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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: Thursday, June 13, 2024

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

Pronouns: He/him/his

First Name: Francisco

Last Name: Urrutia

Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name: [REDACTED]

Phone Number : [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

I live outside of Saskatoon: No

Saskatoon Address and Ward:

Address: [REDACTED] Ave C S

Ward: Ward 2

What do you wish to do ?: Submit Comments

What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):: Housing Accelerator Fund amendments for consideration at Public Hearing on June 27

Comments:

I hope this letter finds you well. I want to extend my appreciation for your efforts in ensuring Ward 2 is informed about the proposed housing bylaw changes in our city. It's indeed heartening to see proactive steps being taken to address the pressing issue of housing shortage in Saskatoon.

As the Riversdale resident, I am aware that the amendments proposed as part of the Housing Accelerator fund will impact my neighbourhood in its totality. I, as many others, believe that these changes are necessary to build a city where everyone can access quality and appropriate housing. We imagine a diverse and thriving neighbourhood and see this as a path to achieve that goal:

- I am supportive of the amendments proposed by the city, which include permitting multi-unit dwellings in all residential zoning districts, as well as multi-story developments in the Transit Development Area, which includes all of Riversdale.
- I support streamlining zoning regulations for the development of supportive housing and residential care homes to continue providing essential support for vulnerable members of our community.

As we move forward with these positive changes, it's crucial to recognize that there is still much work to be done to fully address the housing crisis. While the proposed amendments are a step in the right direction, they represent only the beginning of a comprehensive solution.

- We would like to see affordable housing prioritized across the city to meet the diverse needs of our community, including the particular needs of seniors, newcomers and Indigenous people.
- Having a shelter in our neighbourhood, we are witnesses to the severity of the housing crisis. This is why I would like to see municipal and provincial collaboration to protect tenants and the most vulnerable members of our community through increased funding and capacity for shelter providers.

I am confident that the city will continue to work towards tangible solutions that benefit all members of our community. I look forward to seeing changes that allow the City of Saskatoon to remain a city where everyone has access to safe, stable, and affordable housing.

Thank you once again for your unwavering commitment to our community's well-being.

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