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Submitted on Monday, July 22, 2024 - 19:38

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**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, July 22, 2024

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

**First Name:** Peggy

**Last Name:** Sarjeant

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] University Drive

**Ward:** Ward 6

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Saskatoon Heritage Society

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** City Council

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** Blairmore Sector Plan

**Comments:**

Please see attached

**Attachments:**

- [Letter to Council July 22nd.docx](#)36.3 KB

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



July 22 2024

Your Worship and Members of Council,

Re: Blairmore Sector Plan and the Battleford Trail

The Saskatoon Heritage Society previously sent a letter to the Municipal Planning Commission concerning the Blairmore Sector Plan and its relationship to the Battleford Trail. We are not sure if the letter reached MPC in time for it to be included in the Commission's report, so we are copying it below.

Please consider our request to include reference to this historical resource in the Sector Plan. Although physical evidence of the trail, which would have crossed the proposed Elk Point development, may not be easily visible, aerial photos from City Archives suggest where the trail would have been located. Much more research needs to be done, however, to determine its exact location and flesh out its historical context and its use by Metis and settler traders. Perhaps the University of Saskatchewan may be able to help in this research?

The remnant of the Moose Jaw Trail located in Mark Thompson Park in Stonebridge is an excellent example of how recognition and interpretation of historic trails can add to our understanding of our cultural history. In developing the Elk Point neighbourhood, we have a unique opportunity to increase that understanding and aid in our Indigenous reconciliation efforts.

Elk Point is listed as Phase 1 of the Blairmore Sector Plan. We hope, therefore, that the City will be able to move forward on doing further research on the Battleford Trail in the near future with the goal of incorporating recognition and interpretation of the trail in any future development.

Sincerely,

Peggy Sarjeant

Past- President Saskatoon Heritage Society

*To Municipal Planning Commission*

*June 24 2024*

*Re: Blairmore Sector Plan Amendment and the Battleford Trail*

*On behalf of the Saskatoon Heritage Society, I would like to draw your attention to Sections 3.4 and 5.3 regarding the Historical Resources located within the Blairmore Sector Plan. We are pleased to see reference to Smithville Cemetery but we are concerned that there is no reference to the historic Battleford Trail.*

*The Battleford Trail, used by Metis and settlers, left Avenue P and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street and wound its way NW out of the city. It would have crossed the planned Elk Point neighbourhood in the Blairmore Sector Plan and joined up with the named Battleford Trail in Corman Park. The Congregation Agudas Israel Cemetery is located adjacent to the Battleford Trail, just outside the city limits.*

*Much more research needs to be done to determine the exact location of the trail but aerial photos in the City Archives provide some clues.*

*This is an important piece of Saskatoon's history and we don't want it to be forgotten. Please refer to the Battleford Trail within this document, so that it will be considered when the concept plans are being developed. We have before us a unique opportunity to celebrate Metis and early settler history in Saskatoon.*

*Sincerely,*

*Peggy Sarjeant*

*Past-President Saskatoon Heritage Society*