

August 29, 2024

Subjects: Saskatoon Public Library, executive salaries, and reform of *The Public Libraries Act, 1996*

Saskatoon City Council:

I'm attaching an email message that I sent to Saskatchewan MLAs on how the *The Public Libraries Act, 1996* needs to be reformed so that only municipal councils, not library boards, can get new libraries built. See this new letter to the editor that I wrote for further information:

Ashu M. G. Solo, "Library board lacks legitimacy to tax, build," *The StarPhoenix*, Aug. 15, 2024, URL: <https://thestarphoenix.com/opinion/letters/letters-sask-nuclear-plan-intended-to-delay-move-from-fossil-fuels>

As a condition of imposing library taxes requested by the Board of Trustees of the Saskatoon Public Library, you should better review how the board plans to spend this money and demand that the board decrease the exorbitant salaries of library executives. See this letter to the editor that I wrote for further information:

Ashu M. G. Solo, "Cut salaries of Saskatoon library managers," *The StarPhoenix*, July 13, 2024, URL: <https://thestarphoenix.com/opinion/letters/letters-college-wrong-to-discipline-doctor-for-anti-abortion-advice>

Sincerely,

Ashu M. G. Solo

August 25, 2024

Subject: The Public Libraries Act, 1996 needs to be reformed

MLAs for Saskatchewan:

*The Public Libraries Act, 1996* should be reformed so that only municipal councils, not library boards, have the authority to get new libraries built. See this letter to the editor I wrote:

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The library board in Saskatoon is recklessly and foolishly having a new downtown library built when the existing downtown library is excellent. See these letters I wrote for further information:

Ashu M. G. Solo, "Saskatoon should shelve costly plan for new downtown library," *The StarPhoenix*, Jan. 30, 2024, URL: <https://thestarphoenix.com/opinion/letters/letter-saskatoon-should-shelve-costly-plan-for-new-downtown-library>

Ashu M. G. Solo, "New Downtown Library Not Needed," Agenda of Saskatoon Public Library Board of Trustees for the City of Saskatoon, Sask., Apr. 24, 2024, p. 7, URL: <https://saskatoonlibrary.ca/isl/uploads/2024/04/2024-04-24-Board-Agenda-Pkg-PUBLIC.pdf>

Ashu M. G. Solo, "New downtown Saskatoon library a foolish waste of tax dollars," *The StarPhoenix*, June 11, 2024, URL: <https://thestarphoenix.com/opinion/letters/letters-new-downtown-saskatoon-library-a-foolish-waste-of-tax-dollars>

Ashu M. G. Solo, "Cut salaries of Saskatoon library managers," *The StarPhoenix*, July 13, 2024, URL: <https://thestarphoenix.com/opinion/letters/letters-college-wrong-to-discipline-doctor-for-anti-abortion-advice>

Ashu M. G. Solo, "Library, arena, auditorium, potholes, snow removal, deicing, and campaign finance reform," Public Agenda: Governance and Priorities Committee for the City of Saskatoon, Sask., Aug. 14, 2024, pp. 81-82, URL: <https://pub-saskatoon.escribemeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=222893>

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