

Broadway Business Improvement District | 306.664.6463 | Unit A 613 9th Street East, Saskatoon SK S7H 0M4

Her Worship Mayor Block and Saskatoon City Council City of Saskatoon 222 3rd Avenue North Saskatoon, SK S7K 0J5

Dear Mayor Block and Council Members:

On behalf of the Broadway Business Improvement District (BBID), we are requesting a waiver of fees for a community patio (parklet) installation during the summer months, June to September, for the next five summers.

Development of the parklet was a joint initiative of the BBID, the City of Saskatoon's Urban Design department and Healthy Communities Canada. The shared vision is to create a seasonal space that enhances community engagement, supports local businesses, and contributes to the safety, inclusivity and vibrancy of Broadway Avenue.

Details:

Location Using four parking spaces at five corners on Broadway (12th St.)

<u>Duration</u> Three and a half months (approx. June 1 to September 15) starting in 2025.

<u>Purpose</u> A public gathering space for visitors to relax and enjoy. It benefits the entire business

district and will encourage pedestrian activity, shopping and community activations.

Permanency This request is for five consecutive summers, starting in 2025.

We are requesting a **full waiver of the parking space fees** for five years. The Broadway BID operates on a break-even budget, relying on grants and sponsorships to help fund installations, activations and other activities designed to create vibrant, people-centered spaces. A waiver would allow us to focus resources on delivering a high-quality activated parklet that enhances the area without imposing additional financial burdens. This initiative has strong support from business and community members, aligns with the City of Saskatoon's placemaking goals, and contributes positively to the area's cultural and economic vitality.

The cost savings to the BBID are approximately **\$11,975.00/yr.** The following images will help to illustrate the impact this community patio will have to the Broadway community.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and welcome the opportunity to discuss it further.

Sincerely,

Executive Director, BBID

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Actual patio construction in progress (Aug 2024).



Rendering (for illustration purposes, will not be exactly as shown).