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Hello, I'm reaching out about the proposed property tax increase and I've written this letter to Mayor Cynthia Block & any members for the city council.

I'd greatly appreciate you taking a look at it and thank you for your consideration.

Rebecca Mintzler,
Ley Line Tattoos & Art Studio

LeyLine Tattoo and Art Studio

Rebecca Mintzler | [REDACTED]

April 16, 2025

Her Worship, Mayor Cynthia Block and Members of Saskatoon City Council
City of Saskatoon
222 3rd Avenue N.
Saskatoon, SK S7K 0J5
via mayors.office@saskatoon.ca

Dear Mayor Block and Members of Saskatoon City Council,

Re: Proposed Commercial-to-Residential Tax Ratio

My name is Rebecca Mintzler, and I am the owner of LeyLine Tattoo and Art Studio - a brand new, independently owned creative space in Saskatoon. I am writing to express my concern about the proposed commercial-to-residential tax ratio of 1.88:1 and how it could significantly impact not only the early success of my own business but the future of Saskatoon's independent creative community as a whole.

I have just committed to a 5-year lease based on the current tax rate, and a sudden shift like this could drastically change the financial foundation I've worked so hard to build. As a small business owner, every increase in cost affects our ability to grow, to hire, to support local talent, and to give back to the community we're deeply invested in.

Saskatoon is built on more than just infrastructure - it thrives because of its people, its culture, and its small businesses. Independent business owners, creatives, and visionaries are the ones helping shape a future that is inclusive, vibrant, and community-driven. Tattoo studios like mine don't just offer a service; we create safe, expressive spaces where people connect, share stories, and support local artistry.

Raising the commercial tax burden risks pushing out the very people who are helping to build that future. Many of us are already stretching every resource to contribute meaningfully to this city. Saddling small, locally owned businesses with a disproportionate tax burden makes it harder for us to survive, let alone flourish.

I urge Council to consider a more balanced approach - one that supports long-term growth by making space for new ideas, creative industries, and the next generation of independent business leaders.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Mintzler

Owner, LeyLine Tattoo and Art Studio
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