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**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Carol Kavanagh - National Urban Park- Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Friday, March 20, 2026 1:58:40 PM  
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**Date:** Friday, March 20, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Carol

**Last Name:** Kavanagh

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Carol Kavanah

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Mahabir Court

**Ward:** Ward 10

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):** REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

I am submitting a letter to City Council.

**Attachments:**

- [Ltr ti City Council 2.pdf](#) 18.79 KB

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**Subject:** Comments - Sheldon Moellenbeck - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
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**Date:** Friday, March 20, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** He/him/his

**First Name:** Sheldon

**Last Name:** Moellenbeck

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Le May Crescent

**Ward:** Ward 5

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

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Kathryn

**Last Name:** Trembach

**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] Taylor St E

**Ward:** Ward 7

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

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** Swale

**Comments:**

Please leave the Swale alone. People need these nature spaces.

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**Date:** Friday, March 20, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Christel

**Last Name:** Kleingeld

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Boykowich Street

**Ward:** Ward 10

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

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**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** Item 8.5.2

**Comments:**

See attached letter.

**Attachments:**

- [Urban Park boundaries - comments C. Kleingeld.docx](#) 15.83 KB

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Christel Kleingeld

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**Date:** Friday, March 20, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Holly

**Last Name:** Dunlop

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Thode Ave

**Ward:** Ward 10

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

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 6.2.2

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

The Northeast Swale in Saskatoon is a very critical wildlife corridor, hosting over 200 plant species and 175 bird species.

It is one of the last remaining examples of native plains rough fescue grassland, which is rare worldwide. It is home to diverse wildlife, including coyotes, deer, leopard frogs, and species at risk like the Crowfoot Violet and Loggerhead Shrike.

I strongly desire to see this swale protected. Any further encroachment on this already threatened natural grassland habitat is devastating. I hope you can see this and vehemently work to protect what remains.

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Sincerely,  
Dr. Holly Dunlop

**Attachments:**

- [councilapproved2023boundaries-SW.jpg](#) 313.13 KB

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

# Council Approved Boundaries February 2023

## Sensitive Areas



Species at Risk  
breeding area

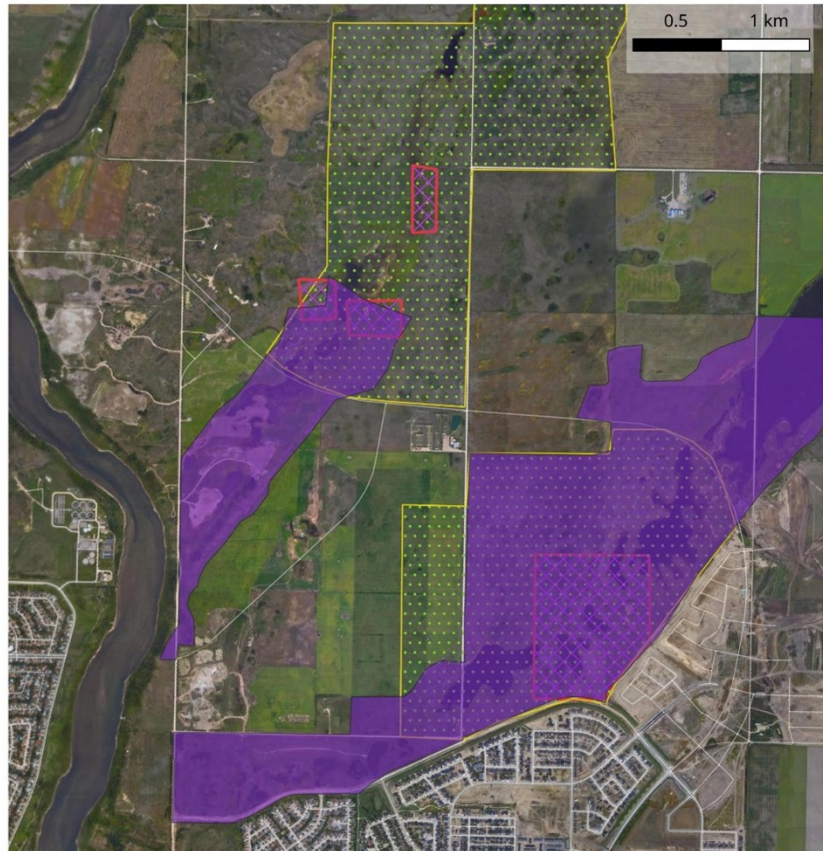


Rare Plant Area



Small and northeast swales

Description	Hectares
Small swale	89
Northeast swale	357



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**Date:** Friday, March 20, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Amanda

**Last Name:** Lalonde

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Amanda La-LONE-duh

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] 7th St E

**Ward:** Ward 6

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Sincerely,  
Amanda Lalonde

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**Date:** Friday, March 20, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Jennifer

**Last Name:** Briere

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Bree-air

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] 111th St W

**Ward:** Ward 1

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

**Comments:**

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The number of people taking action illustrates the importance of this issue to saskatoonians and our future generations. As a Metis individual, it's essential to me, my family and future generations for this area to remain as large and as protected as possible.

Thank you for reading my comments!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Briere

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**Date:** Friday, March 20, 2026

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

**First Name:** Jessica

**Last Name:** Rideout

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** jeh-SIH-kuh RYDE-out

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** Yes

**Address:** [REDACTED] Wilken Crescent East

**City:** Warman

**Province:** Saskatchewan

**Postal Code:** S0K [REDACTED]

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**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

I would like to follow my message below with personal sentiment. In a world that chronically

ignores warning calls, let Saskatoon be different. Last year I had the privilege to travel across Canada by vehicle 5 times. I explored every province, staying and driving through each one. As someone with the privilege of doing this, let me explain how incredibly rare Saskatchewan and our grasslands are. There is absolutely nothing similar to our province. Other provinces blended together—endless forest and similar ecosystems. Driving through Saskatchewan, you are struck by its uniqueness. Visiting Grasslands National Park and seeing this landscape in its pure glory is nothing short of transformative. Why are we not embracing this? The expanse of grassland is not something any other province has or can be proud of. The animals are rare, the plants are rare—failing to embrace and protect this is a great loss in potential profit and a permanent loss of a rare environment on earth.

The beauty and rare experience of a grassland could be our city's calling card and a real ecotourism opportunity, something that attracts residents and visitors alike. The most vibrant cities embrace their roots, surroundings, and culture. Saskatoon, right now, leans heavily on franchises and monoculture. We have the opportunity to change that. By featuring this unique ecosystem, we can create meaningful experiences, protect a disappearing landscape, and position Saskatoon as a destination to see one of the most unique environments on earth. That is not just special—it's economically smart. Protecting these small sections of swale we have left is a necessary first step. It is the only place in Saskatoon where this ecosystem can be experienced, and it must be protected.

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Sincerely,

Jessica Rideout

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**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Kim

**Last Name:** Zuk

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Hamm Way

**Ward:** Ward 9

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

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Sincerely,  
Kim Zuk

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**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Michelle

**Last Name:** Breker

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** Brecker

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Teal Lane

**Ward:** Ward 7

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Regular business meeting of City Council on March 25

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

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Sincerely,

Michelle Breker  
Concerned citizen

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**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Joanne

**Last Name:** Augusta

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Willis Cres

**Ward:** Ward 7

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

My aim in writing is to encourage you to maintain the Swale's boundaries. Re-claiming land after development is costly, if it can be done at all. In most cases, once a 'wild' area is built upon, it is gone. Gone to future residents of Saskatoon and to the wildlife which depend upon it.

I am encouraged that work toward and discussion around a National Urban Park in Saskatoon is

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Sincerely, Joanne Augusta

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**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** She/her/hers

**First Name:** Margaret

**Last Name:** Dolter

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Horner Cres

**Ward:** Not Sure

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Margaret Dolter

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known):** The northwest swale proposal

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

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Sincerely,

Margaret Dolter

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**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** He/him/his

**First Name:** Dennis

**Last Name:** Ryan

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Avenue L North

**Ward:** Not Sure

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** March 23 Meeting on the Urban National Park Boundary

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

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Sincerely  
Dennis Ryan

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**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

**First Name:** Terri

**Last Name:** Peterson

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Fast cres

**Ward:** Ward 10

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

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** National Urban Park

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

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Sincerely,

Terri Peterson

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**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** He/him/his

**First Name:** Kirk

**Last Name:** Larson

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] 109th St.

**Ward:** Ward 1

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Regular business meeting of city council

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

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Warm regards,

Kirk Larson

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**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

**First Name:** Laura

**Last Name:** Garratt

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Dumont Cres

**Ward:** Ward 9

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Regular business meeting of city council

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

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Sincerely,

L. Garratt

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**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

**First Name:** Stephanie

**Last Name:** Kepler

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Adelaide St E

**Ward:** Ward 6

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

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

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

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Sincerely,  
Stephanie Kepler

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Saturday, March 21, 2026

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

**First Name:** Eric

**Last Name:** Shearer

**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] 2nd Ave South Saskatoon

**Ward:** Not Sure

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Concerned Citizen

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** North East Swales Boundaries

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** North East Swales Boundaries

**Comments:**

Please see my attached letter .

**Attachments:**

[Dear Saskatoon city council and Mayor.pdf](#) 16.08 KB

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# Dear Saskatoon city council and Mayor

March 20 , 2026

Planning and development

Re: North East Swales { Boundary}

It has come to my attention that the perimeter of an agreed upon section of land set aside to create A national park on the what we all know and call the “north east swales “ was determined in February 2023 , i understand and have heard that since then, the agreed perimeter has been Arbitrarily carved down and minimized ?

Please ....these boundaries were created for a reason !

This type of natural area is becoming extremely rare as time, and so called ‘progress’ goes on .... The treasure will be having forethought to future years by using actual forward thinking today !..... allowing the city to still expand but having a protected ecosystem in our midst that we can all be proud to witness generations from now .... These amazing plants and animals that thrive here ..... will be available for viewing on a beautiful sunset walk .....50 plus years from now!!

Thank you ..... if anything,... these perimeters should be expanded !!!  
Not carved back !!

I called the city of Saskatoon and left a message asking to speak to someone about this , last week , I was told I would receive a call back ,..... I am still waiting ! (?)

Please contact me at the number listed below.

Sincerely

Eric Shearer

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**To:** [City Council](#)  
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**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**First Name:** Barbara

**Last Name:** Campbell

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** bar - bar - a cam-bul

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Taylor St East

**Ward:** Ward 9

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Friends of North East Swale

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** City Council March 25, 2026

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** Urban National Park - North East Swale

**Comments:**

I urge you to vote against the proposed boundaries that are included in the current motion. to support instead the boundaries of 2023 which include more of the swale, and commit to future engagement with Friends of the NE Swale, and other interest groups.

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Tom Gode - National Urban Park Swale Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026 7:26:25 AM  
**Attachments:** [Letter to Council National Urban Park Swale Boundries.docx](#)

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**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**First Name:** Tom

**Last Name:** Gode

**Phonetic spelling of first and/or last name:** 639 [REDACTED]

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] 2nd Street East

**Ward:** Ward 6

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** SOS Trees Coalition

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** City Council Public Hearing Meeting 29 October

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** National Urban Park Swale Boundaries

**Comments:**  
attached

**Attachments:**

- [Letter to Council National Urban Park Swale Boundries.docx](#) 1.02 MB

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# SOS Trees Coalition

9th Avenue North, SASKATOON, SK. S7K

[www.sostrees.ca](http://www.sostrees.ca)

22 March, 2026

To: Saskatoon's City Council

Re: National Urban Park Swale Boundaries.

SOS Trees Coalition applauds the work that has gone into bringing a National Urban Park to Saskatoon. We are worried about the park's proposed boundaries. The Swales are Saskatoon's jewels, any reduction of the boundaries from those approved by Council in 2023 will be a significant loss. The Swales are critical green infrastructure providing incredible value to citizens and wildlife, providing links to our history and culture. The native grasslands, wetlands and aspen stands are key to Saskatoon's quality of life. .

I could go on about the values of wild space, trees, native grasslands and wet lands, etc. but you all have heard it multiple times. History has demonstrated that each time a community skimps on preserving wild space it is lost forever and we all pay a heavy price for the loss.

**SOS Trees Coalition recommends the City of Saskatoon reaffirm the 2023 Council approved Swale boundaries**

Respectfully

Tom Gode

SOS Trees Coalition

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
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**Subject:** Comments - Kerry McNamara - Urban Park Boundaries for the Swales  
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**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**First Name:** Kerry

**Last Name:** McNamara

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] 5th St E

**Ward:** Ward 6

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** None

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Urban Park boundaries for the Swales

**Comments:**

Please reaffirm the 2023 Council approved Swale boundaries.

We are a growing city, but if we lose track of values that create uniqueness then we become indistinguishable. This swales need protection. We are responsible as a city and a community to protect them.

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Rosanne Alain - The changing of boundaries to the Swale  
**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026 8:59:08 AM

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**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**First Name:** Rosanne

**Last Name:** Alain

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Wilson Crescent

**Ward:** Ward 7

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** SOS Trees

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** The Northeast Swale

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** The changing of boundaries to the swale

**Comments:**

I reaffirm the 2023 boundary decision for the Northeast Swale. I think it is wrong headed to change the boundaries now. If you do, no decision council makes will ever be considered permanent.

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Zsuzsanna Papp - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026 10:42:03 AM

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**First Name:** Zsuzsanna

**Last Name:** Papp

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Munroe Ave S

**Ward:** Ward 7

**Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable):** Zsuzsa Papp

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Regular meeting of city council

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

I am encouraged that work toward and discussion around a National Urban Park in Saskatoon is continuing, and I appreciate that Council's March 11 Committee discussion acknowledged concerns raised by residents.

I remain concerned about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries in relation to the

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While the recent motion acknowledged Council's 2023 direction, it unfortunately left room for further discussion about developing within those boundaries because for now, the Swale boundaries are not final. Given the importance of these lands, Council has an opportunity, and a responsibility, to reaffirm its previous direction and ensure meaningful public involvement in any discussion about changes to boundaries going forward.

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Sincerely,

Zsuzsanna Papp

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Pat Dowd - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026 11:15:23 AM

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**First Name:** Pat

**Last Name:** Dowd

**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] 9th Ave North

**Ward:** Ward 1

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

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

I am encouraged that work toward and discussion around a National Urban Park in Saskatoon is continuing, and I appreciate that Council's March 11 Committee discussion acknowledged concerns raised by residents.

I remain concerned about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries in relation to the Northeast and Small Swales (Appendix 4). The revised park boundaries do not ensure protection of the swales within the boundaries endorsed by Council on February 22, 2023, which were supported by the community and grounded in conservation science. The 2023 boundaries protect ecologically important areas of the Swales and include buffers necessary to safeguard these rare prairie landscapes.

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Sincerely, Pat Dowd

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Lucas Boychuk - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026 11:15:53 AM

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** He/him/his

**First Name:** Lucas

**Last Name:** Boychuk

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** Yes

**Address:** [REDACTED]

**City:** Saskatoon

**Province:** Saskatchewan

**Postal Code:** S7k [REDACTED]

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Regular business meeting of city council

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

I am encouraged that work toward and discussion around a National Urban Park in Saskatoon is continuing, and I appreciate that Council's March 11 Committee discussion acknowledged concerns raised by residents.

I remain concerned about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries in relation to the

Northeast and Small Swales (Appendix 4). The revised park boundaries do not ensure protection of the swales within the boundaries endorsed by Council on February 22, 2023, which were supported by the community and grounded in conservation science. The 2023 boundaries protect ecologically important areas of the Swales and include buffers necessary to safeguard these rare prairie landscapes.

While the recent motion acknowledged Council's 2023 direction, it unfortunately left room for further discussion about developing within those boundaries because for now, the Swale boundaries are not final. Given the importance of these lands, Council has an opportunity, and a responsibility, to reaffirm its previous direction and ensure meaningful public involvement in any discussion about changes to boundaries going forward.

I am writing with three requests, that Council:

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Proposes a motion and votes YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Proposes a motion and votes YES to instructing City administration to commit to transparent and authentic engagement with Swale Watchers and other members of the conservation community regarding any decisions that will affect the health or protection of the Northeast and Small Swales. The March 11 discussion demonstrated that residents are concerned. I urge Council to build on that momentum by reaffirming its 2023 direction and ensuring that any future decisions about the Swales are informed, transparent, and grounded in community engagement.

Sincerely, Lucas Boychuk

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Kristie Romanow - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026 11:23:06 AM

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**First Name:** Kristie

**Last Name:** Romanow

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Brookmore Lane

**Ward:** Ward 8

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

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

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

I am encouraged that work toward and discussion around a National Urban Park in Saskatoon is continuing, and I appreciate that Council's March 11 Committee discussion acknowledged concerns raised by residents.

I remain concerned about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries in relation to the Northeast and Small Swales (Appendix 4). The revised park boundaries do not ensure protection of the swales within the boundaries endorsed by Council on February 22, 2023, which were

supported by the community and grounded in conservation science. The 2023 boundaries protect ecologically important areas of the Swales and include buffers necessary to safeguard these rare prairie landscapes.

While the recent motion acknowledged Council's 2023 direction, it unfortunately left room for further discussion about developing within those boundaries because for now, the Swale boundaries are not final. Given the importance of these lands, Council has an opportunity, and a responsibility, to reaffirm its previous direction and ensure meaningful public involvement in any discussion about changes to boundaries going forward.

I am writing with three requests, that Council:

Proposes a motion and votes NO to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.

Proposes a motion and votes YES to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.

Proposes a motion and votes YES to instructing City administration to commit to transparent and authentic engagement with Swale Watchers and other members of the conservation community regarding any decisions that will affect the health or protection of the Northeast and Small Swales. The March 11 discussion demonstrated that residents are concerned. I urge Council to build on that momentum by reaffirming its 2023 direction and ensuring that any future decisions about the Swales are informed, transparent, and grounded in community engagement.

Sincerely,

Kristie Romanow

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Margaret Corbett - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026 11:51:06 AM

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**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:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**First Name:** Margaret

**Last Name:** Corbett

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] 10th St East

**Ward:** Ward 6

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** Wed, March 25  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

I am concerned about the meeting on March 25 regarding National Urban Park boundaries, which include newly revised lines for the Northeast and Small Swale which reduce the area to be protected.

While I am excited about establishing a National Urban Park in Saskatoon, I am still deeply concerned about the proposed reduced boundaries, which reduce the amount of protected land in the Northeast and Small Swales that Council endorsed on February 22, 2023.

As the only significant areas of natural prairie remaining in this prairie city, the Swales have the

potential to become the heart of our Park. These landscapes will speak to the world, truly making Saskatoon shine.

Please reaffirm your support for the 2023 Council-approved Swale boundaries and call for meaningful public discussion before any final decisions are made.

Thank you,  
Margaret Corbett

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Ron Jensen - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026 5:48:20 PM  
**Attachments:** [NUP boundaries March 25.docx](#)

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Submitted on Sunday, March 22, 2026 - 17:47

Submitted by user: [REDACTED]

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**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**First Name:** Ron

**Last Name:** Jensen

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] King Crescent

**Ward:** Ward 1

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** City council meeting  
March 25

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2 National Urban Park vision,  
governance and boundaries

**Comments:**

The national urban park boundaries must match those boundaries approved by Council February 2023. These boundaries provide for lands to provide the buffer needed between urban development and the Swales.

**Attachments:**

- [NUP boundaries March 25.docx](#) 16.02 KB

Dear Your Worship and Saskatoon City Councillors,

I am encouraged that work toward and discussion around a National Urban Park in Saskatoon continues. I appreciate that GPC March 11 discussion acknowledged concerns raised by residents.

I remain concerned about the proposed National Urban Park boundaries in relation to the Northeast and Small Swales (Appendix 4). The revised park boundaries do not ensure protection of the swales within the boundaries endorsed by Council on February 22, 2023, which were supported by the community and grounded in conservation science. The 2023 boundaries protect ecologically important areas of the Swales and include buffers necessary to safeguard these rare prairie landscapes.

While the recent motion acknowledged Council's 2023 direction, it left room for further discussion regarding development within the Swale boundaries which are not final.

Given the importance of these lands, Council has an opportunity, and a responsibility, to reaffirm its previous direction and ensure meaningful public involvement in any discussion about changes to boundaries going forward.

**I am writing with three requests, that the Mayor and Council:**

1. Proposes a motion and votes **NO** to Recommendation 2: Approval of the 2026 Provisional National Urban Park Boundary in Appendix 3 based on the deficiencies of the boundaries, as shown in Appendix 4.
2. Proposes a motion and votes **YES** to aligning the NUP boundary with the 2023 Council approved boundaries of the Small Swale and Northeast Swales.
3. Proposes a motion and votes **YES** to instructing City administration to commit to transparent and authentic engagement with Swale Watchers and other members of the conservation community regarding any decisions that will affect the health or protection of the Northeast and Small Swales.

The March 11 discussion at GPC has demonstrated that residents are concerned. I urge Council to reaffirm its 2023 direction to city administration regarding the Swales boundaries.

Furthermore, ensuring that any future decisions about the Swales are informed, transparent, and grounded in community engagement.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration,

Ron Jensen

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Garret Gartner - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026 6:17:56 PM

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**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**Pronouns:** He/him/his

**First Name:** Garret

**Last Name:** Gartner

**Phone Number :** [REDACTED]

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Ave J S

**Ward:** Ward 2

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

**What meeting do you wish to speak/submit comments ? (if known)::** REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

Dear Councillors & Your Worship,

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The March 11 discussion demonstrated that residents are concerned. I urge Council to build on that momentum by reaffirming its 2023 direction and ensuring that any future decisions about the Swales are informed, transparent, and grounded in community engagement.

Sincerely,  
Garret Gartner

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

**From:** [Web NoReply](#)  
**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Comments - Melanie Cole - National Urban Park - Vision, Governance and Boundaries  
**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026 6:48:26 PM

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**I only want my comments shared with the Mayor or my Ward Councillor.:** No

**Date:** Sunday, March 22, 2026

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

**First Name:** Melanie

**Last Name:** Cole

**Email:** [REDACTED]

**I live outside of Saskatoon:** No

**Saskatoon Address and Ward:**

**Address:** [REDACTED] Melrose Ave

**Ward:** Ward 7

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

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

**What agenda item do you wish to comment on ?:** 8.5.2

**Comments:**

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Sincerely,  
Melanie Cole

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