
From: City Council
Subject: Basic Services

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Your Worship and Members of City Council

Since Saskatoon became a city garbage collection and waste management has been a basic service paid for through property taxes. Administration had in the past suggested that it become a utility but the leadership on city council did not approve it. The reason being that it was a money grab and we were already paying for it once.

Water services are a utility and the increase in rates have increased by 37.25% for the years 2016 to 2019. When compounded the increase is approximately 42.8% for 4 years. This is why administration likes this option. It is council's responsibility to prevent such major changes from taking place with out input from the taxpayer.

The question then becomes how do we fund another landfill. During the 90's the city negotiated the sale of City Hospital to the province for a large parcel of land in the north east sector. The city also purchased a quarter section of land from Canada Agriculture. Since the purchase of the land the city made millions of dollars in sales. This is where the city should be getting it's money for the landfill instead of spends millions on reorganizing our present system at a major cost to the taxpayer.

The city would be making a big mistake if it makes it a utility unless the taxpayer can vote on a plebiscite before an money which we don't have is spent.

I would appreciated it if you would forward this letter to the council meeting in September.

Sincerely

Henry Dayday