

Mayor and Members of Council,

20th November 2018

Re: SaskTel Centre /TCU Place

The Saskatoon Heritage Society is interested in the discussion surrounding a potential location for a downtown arena and convention centre. The downtown is home to many of our historic buildings which provide Saskatoon with a unique sense of place. This would include not only the downtown core, but also the warehouse district and North Downtown.

We are pleased that consideration is to be given as to how a proposed entertainment district would fit into “a wider vision for a strong downtown” but what is that vision? Presumably, this project would require the re-drawing of the City Centre Plan and its components, yet it is in this plan that Saskatoon’s vision for the downtown resides.

Regrettably, there is no mention of our heritage resources in the draft terms of reference, nor of the heritage community in the list of stakeholders. Heritage assessment and heritage preservation should play a key role in any proposed development.

Please include “heritage resources” in the Terms of Reference and the heritage community as a stakeholder

Please also consider addressing how this project complements the City Centre Plan and how it would have an impact on other possible developments downtown.

Thank you.

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