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Subject: City-Wide Organic Waste Program
Meeting (if known): Saskatoon City Council meeting, Monday, January 28, 2019.
Comments:
His Worship, the Mayor and Members of City Council,

When I finished reading Phil Tank article in the Friday, January 25, StarPhoenix, I came to conclusion that postponing the motion of city-wide organic waste program is a good idea for two reasons. First, there are more options that can be investigated and second, a nine percent tax increase next year is not going to be welcome by a majority of Saskatoon citizens or Saskatoon City councilors considering that next year is the election year.

One of the possible option that should be considered in our city is home garbage disposal. Most of our citizens are hooked up to sewer system. If the City provides an incentive to citizens who may consider garbage disposal system under their sinks, the Saskatoon waste treatment plant is already equipped to capture the strained-out food residue gases (according to your web site information, it is worth 300 K per year). For example, the city of Philadelphia now requires garbage disposals in new residential construction. However, since not all citizens may choose to install garbage disposal or have been using them for some time, I believe that a financial incentive would provide stimulus to those who did not consider it before for financial reasons.

I have done some research for our household and there are a number of garbage disposals available on the market depending on the size of your household. Canadian Tire selection of garbage disposals is from 179.99 to 399.99. Credible expert reviews of garbage disposals are not easily available, however, the last testing done by Consumer Reports is still current since the models tested are continuing to be sold. Although we are composting at our household, being a senior citizens will eventually make this activity more difficult.

As a retired professor of Business Ethics, I believe that the option of garbage disposal has a merit.

Thank you for considering this option in your future discussion on city-wide organic waste program.

Best regards,

Viola Woodhouse

Attachments:

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