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Good morning Your Worship and City Councillors,

Please find the attached letter in support of Councillor Block's notice of motion to amend Bylaw 7860 to allow dogs and cats on leash in Kiwanis Park.

If speakers are permitted to address Council on August 26, I would request to briefly address City Council. I would ask that the City Clerk's office confirm that with me so I know whether to attend or not.

Thank you,

Brent

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August 1, 2019

His Worship Mayor Charlie Clark and City Councillors  
City Hall  
222 Third Avenue North  
Saskatoon, SK

Dear Mayor Clark and City Councillors,

Re: Dogs in Kiwanis Memorial Park

Downtown Saskatoon is supportive of Councillor Block's request to amend the current bylaw prohibiting pet owners from having dogs or cats on leash in Kiwanis Memorial Park. In a review of Bylaw 7860, *The Animal Control Bylaw, 1999*, dogs and cats are restricted from very few parks in the city (Kiwanis Park, Kinsmen Park, Forestry Farm, and Northeast Swale). Interestingly, two of the parks with prohibitions in place are located Downtown (Kiwanis Memorial Park), and in the City Centre area (Kinsmen Park). No other neighbourhood faces the restrictions that are in place for Downtown.

As the City strives to have more people living in Downtown (and City Centre neighbourhoods), ensuring these areas are friendly for people who live there is pivotal. The City of Saskatoon's own City Centre Report states that *"future urban homes will likely be smaller, have less outdoor space to maintain, and necessitate the need for an accompanying vibrant public outdoor living room the urban areas can offer."* As many people who live in apartments or condominiums have pets, ensuring they can access the only nearby green space is critical to making these neighbourhoods a place people with pets choose to live in.

We are hopeful that Council will amend the bylaw at the earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Brent Penner'.

Brent Penner  
Executive Director

cc: Chris Beavis, Chair, Downtown Saskatoon Board of Management  
Lynne Lacroix, General Manager, City of Saskatoon