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Your community association has extensively considered the parking problems in our neighborhood over these last few months. I met with Genevieve Russell, Special Projects Manager for Parking and Permits, and Justine Marcoux, Transportation Engineer, at the City of Saskatoon. In addition, there have been several meetings with our City Councillor, Cynthia Block, to discuss parking problems.

There are many parking problems in our area. Too many to be tackled at the same time. The consensus is to deal with parking problems one by one, starting with the blocks bordered North to South by 15th and 12th Streets and East to West by Cumberland and Clarence Avenues. This is a fairly large area and will require the time and support of our residents in this area to canvass their block and collect the required signatures on the approved form. The community association is hoping that at least one resident on each block will champion the petition, attend a briefing meeting on how to get the required information, and canvass their block door-to-door. I hope you are interested and that you will email me at President@vvcasaskatoon.com to let me know of your willingness to help with the petition. Not everyone in the area reads the newsletter, so if you know of other interested residents, please pass this message along

The steps we will have to go through are outlined below:

RESIDENTIAL PARKING HOW TO CREATE A CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE

A controlled, or Residential Permit Parking (RPP) Zone, exists in our neighborhood with approximate borders of College Drive to the North, Clarence Avenue to the west, 15th Street to the south and Cumberland to the East. This restricts non-residents to short term parking (typically less than 2 hours) but allows permit holders (residents who have applied for and received a permit) to park throughout the day subject to the usual restrictions on long term parking (must be less than 36 hours etc.). A brief summary of the procedure to have your street in Varsity View or Grosvenor declared as a Residential Parking Permit Zone is:

Submit a petition from residents in the area for the new RPP zone. To be successful the petition must have:

- At least 70% support from the residents on each block face i.e. one side of a street block.
- Only one resident per household or housing unit e.g. a legal basement suite, can sign the petition. A resident is a person who lives in a housing unit and can provide proof of that. This includes tenants who are renting.
- The petition asks for the name, address, and phone number of each person who signs. It also asks if at least one member of the household will purchase a RPP permit at a cost of \$25 annually.
- Residents must provide contact information.
- The process to expand a RPP zone can take time, Parking Services encourages residents to coordinate petitioning so that multiple blocks can be included in one request. Petitioning for multiple blocks will also prevent the displacement of parking congestion and reduce the need for future petitions.

Following submission of the petition, City Administration springs into action. They verify the identity and residential address of the petitioners and conduct a parking survey. At least 25% of vehicles parked in the area during the day must be transient parkers (non-resident vehicles) and there must be significant parking pressure.

If both of the above criteria are met a report is submitted to City Council to seek approval of the proposed RPP zone expansion and amend the Residential Parking Program Bylaw #7862.

This outline is only a guide for information purposes. The full policy can be found at <https://www.saskatoon.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-clerk/civic-policies/C07-014.pdf>. The Bylaw can be found at https://www.saskatoon.ca/sites/default/files/documents/community-services/parking-services/residential_parking_program_bylaw_no._7862.pdf. At the end of the day, creation of a new RPP zone is at the discretion of council.

Sincerely,
Jon Naylor, VVCA President

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VVCA Annual General Meet- ing

**Wednesday, April 12,
2017**

7:00pm

Brunskill School Library

All community residents are invited to attend for an up-date on projects and to elect next year's Executive. Come and get involved in making a difference in your



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Hello Varsity View Residents –

Thank you for the opportunity to connect on some important civic issues for your neighbourhood. As a new City Councillor, I have been amazed by the learning curve, schedule and overall correspondence, but it is truly an honour to represent you.

Varsity View is near and dear to me and my family.

While we live just outside the boundary of Varsity View (Nutana), our children went to school at Brunskill and we have great memories of the myriad of youth soccer games and track practices in nearby parks.

Here are a few highlights for your neighbourhood:

- **Varsity View is one of the neighbourhoods that saw an overall increase in this Tax Assessment cycle. The City would like to see the province shorten the 4-year cycle to more accurately reflect current market values. To find out if/how your property is affected go to: www.saskatoon.ca and search “Tax Assessment Tool”. Using your previous and current assessments it will calculate your expected tax bill for 2017.**

- **A review of the Residential Parking Permit Program (RPP) will be coming to City Council. Neighbours that fall outside of the current program near the University are**

petitioning for an RPP. This is expected to go before Council by mid-year.

- **Parking is a main focus as we sort out the future plans for College Quarter. The new neighbourhood is not expected to add to the parking pressures, and collaboration between the University and the City is finding innovative ideas to ensure that it integrates with the rest of VV.**
- **Construction has not been announced, but the University was successful in getting City Council to contribute more money to a twin ice facility, Merlis Belsher Place, which will be located directly south of the Field House. I support the project, but voted against the motion that added an additional \$3 million dollars to the City’s contribution (total \$4million), as we anticipate a challenging provincial budget.**

Thanks to those who have reached out to keep me in the loop on your ideas and concerns. In addition to traffic and sidewalks, I know we have work to do around a number of other issues including infill development. If you’d like to stay on top of this and other Ward 6 news, please go to Facebook: [cynthiablockward6](https://www.facebook.com/cynthiablockward6). You can also follow me on Twitter: [@CynthiaBlockSk](https://twitter.com/CynthiaBlockSk)

The first Coffee with Your Councillor will take place on Saturday, March 25 at D’Lish on Temperance Ave from 1pm-4pm – an opportunity to meet in a casual environment to discuss neighbourhood or city-wide issues.

In the meantime, the fastest way to get questions answered is to go online: www.saskatoon.ca Then search: Contact Your Councillor. It’s a useful tool that allows a seamless path from you to me and the civic administration.

I look forward to working with you!

Sincerely, Cynthia

**cynthia.block@saskatoon.ca
306-244-2222**

Annual VVCA Spring Social & Fundraising Event Saturday, May 13, 2017

Louis' Loft, University of Saskatchewan

An evening of good food, music, entertainment, prizes and a chance to visit with your friends and neighbours.

Mark your calendars and come and celebrate your community with us! Tickets: email varsityviewca@gmail.com or talk to a VVCA Board member.

Watch for more details soon!



Join us at the 29th annual PotashCorp Children's Festival of Saskatchewan in Kinsmen Park! This years theme is Bridges. Explore the history of bridges of Saskatoon, the bridges we build to each other, and the bridges that connect the world! We have an abundance of exciting performances, as well as activities and games for children of all ages to enjoy.

Hours of Operation:

9-5 June 3-4

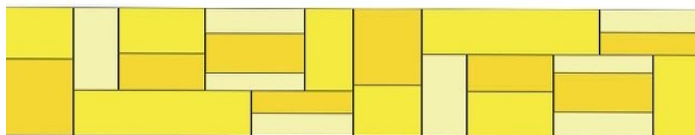
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Sunset Party 5-9 June 3

Ticket Price: \$10

For more Information visit our website:

<http://potashcorpchildrensfestival.com/>



COMMUNITY INFORMATION NIGHT - RAOUL WALLENBERG PARK EN- HANCEMENT PROJECT

With the 2017 Spring construction season just around the corner, members of your VVCA and congregation Agudas Israel are pleased to invite you to a community information night in the presentation of the Raoul Wallenberg Park Enhancement Project. The community project, which is to include a reflexology walking path, decorative garden, and table-top style board game tables, is scheduled for tender in Spring 2017. The evening will allow residents and community partners the opportunity to tour the site (715 McKinnon Ave S) and discuss project plans, specifications and renderings. A successful tender process is expected to yield a project completion date in the Fall of 2017.

VVCA wishes to thank B'nai Brith, the City of Saskatoon and other project donors for their generous support of this community initiative. VVCA looks forward to seeing residents join us this April. We invite you to watch for event information and details on the VVCA website and Facebook page this month.



Starting your spring cleaning?
Kids getting too big for their bikes?
Save your older and unused bikes
and donate them to the

Brunskill School Playground Fundraiser!

Have an old bike? Donate your old bikes and bring
them to the Brunskill School gym on
Friday May 26, 2017, 3:30 – 8:00 pm

Need a new-to-you bike?

Come to the Used Bike Sale in Brunskill School gym
on **Saturday, May 27, 8:00 am – 2:00 pm**

Bikes sold as is. Popcorn for sale too!

Get a tax receipt for your purchase of a bike! Cash, cheque and
credit card (Visa, MasterCard) accepted. All proceeds from the sale
will go directly to the Brunskill School Playground fundraiser.

*(Any unsold bikes at the end of the sale will be donated to
Bridge City Bicycle Co-op)*

Additional donations to the School Playground can be made
at the bike sale or on-line at Saskatoon Public Schools Foundation
(<http://bit.ly/2mXj1E4>)

Questions?

Email brunskillvolunteers@gmail.com

Albert Community Centre Management Committee Seeking Board Members

The Albert Community Centre Management Committee supervises the operation of the Albert Community Centre and is currently looking for volunteers to fill two vacancies. The Committee meets monthly on every third Friday at noon, lunch is provided, and there are no meetings in July and August.

Qualifications include:

- Community involvement;
- Interest in historical structures and preservations;
- Experience administering a budget; and
- Interest in the functions and use of the Albert Community Centre.

If you are interested in contributing to the management and preservation of this historic community building, please contact:

City Clerk's Office - City Hall - (306) 975-3240 - for an application

Mr. Grant Whitecross, Chair - (306) 221-8100

More information regarding the history and current events of the Albert Community Centre can be found on the Varsity View Community Association Website (vvcasaskatoon.com) under the Albert Community Centre tab.

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