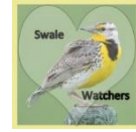


Saskatoon Civic Election 2024



The people of Saskatoon will elect a new Mayor and Council on **November 13, 2024**. In the lead up to decision day, candidates will be out shaking hands and ringing doorbells, looking for support. Here are four questions to guide your conversations with candidates as you make this important choice.

When Candidates for City Council Come Calling: Here Are FOUR QUESTIONS You Can Ask!

1. Recently, City Council endorsed an alignment of the proposed Saskatoon Freeway which would send 8-10 lanes of highspeed traffic through endangered prairie and wetland ecosystems in the Northeast and Small Swales. **Would you be willing to revoke this endorsement based on the proposal's questionable economic rationale and known environmental costs?**
2. City council has a history of approving suburban development (urban sprawl) like the proposed University Heights 3 neighbourhood, that end up increasing taxes and reducing habitat and biodiversity. **How would you encourage infill, or "brownfield," development that makes Saskatoon more affordable and, at the same time, protects important natural areas of the city like the Northeast and Small Swales?**
3. Forward-thinking communities are adopting nature-based solutions to help meet environmental challenges, including climate regulation, source-water protection, flood prevention, and food security. **How would you encourage more nature-based solutions in Saskatoon?**
4. Like many other cities, Saskatoon is facing challenges with addictions, mental health issues, and homelessness. If we want to heal the community and help people belong, we need to prioritize access to nature and natural spaces as part of our response. **How would you ensure Saskatoon's urgent challenges are approached with a longer-term perspective that includes investing in nature and protecting important natural areas such as the Northeast and Small Swales?**