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Mayor Masters.

Congratulations on your new position. You will do a fantastic job.

Upon hearing the news of the executive council vote regarding energy companies, I quickly became embarrassed to be from Regina. Not only is that a ridiculous decision, but how is this a priority for your administration? I am disgusted to know that my tax dollars are paying the salaries of this executive committee to even have such discussions. They have to have better things to keep themselves occupied. If not, perhaps you need to lean out that committee. Your predecessors put so much effort into changing the culture that Regina is truly a great place to live and work but your executive council set all that back where residents are once again embarrassed to call Regina home. Thank you so much for voting against this motion and showing that you at least have some common sense. And I agree with you that the Coop refinery is one of the pillars in our community as is SaskEnergy, SaskPower, fuel stations, etc. Like it or not, we cannot survive in our climate without fossil fuel use so to turn your back on them is irresponsible and hypocritical. I hope your executive committee also realizes that roads are built from fossil fuel derivatives, as are plastics, batteries, solar panels, windmills, and thousands and thousands of other articles you touch and rely upon every day.

If you are so serious about reducing greenhouse gas emissions and supporting the whole green initiative, there are much more responsible initiatives you can pursue (and not look so ridiculous). Perhaps start with your own city culture where at every construction site you see every vehicle endlessly idling. Or how about doing something about the train crossings on ring road where millions of dollars are wasted in delay and vehicle operating costs waiting for the trains? Think of all those emissions sent into the atmosphere waiting on trains. Or how about converting your fleet to electric vehicles? Or how about phasing signals better to reduce the amount of starting and stopping? All of these will have a much larger positive impact on the environment than banning advertising.

Just be smart.

Thanks for your time. You do not need to respond.

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