

January 24, 2025

To the City Clerk, City of Prince Albert

I am writing this letter on behalf of the blind and low vision peer support group in Prince Albert. We are requesting a meeting with the mayor and city council to discuss issues and concerns facing the blind and low vision community in our city.

The blind and low vision community in Prince Albert is estimated to be about 3,000 people, consisting of a wide variety of visual limitations and abilities.

Some of our concerns include transportation accessibility and services provided by the city of Prince Albert to our community. These include audible walk lights, Acess transportation, snow removal on sidewalks in the winter, accessible taxi services, and evacuation plans regarding the blind and low vision citizens in the event of an emergency.

As a positive, we appreciate bus transportation to the Little Red, accommodations made at the field house and Rawlinson center and the accessible playground, all of which add to our quality of life.

We would appreciate two weeks notice of being invited to your council meeting in order for our members to arrange transportation. White cane week is the first week of February, and we would appreciate being invited to speak to council as close to this awareness week as possible.

Recommended Disposition:

Parks, Rect Ciuture, and Community Development I look forward to your consideration of this request.

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Yours truly,

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