

To whom it may concern,

The new proposed zoning bylaw is only going to cause problems for locally run and established fitness and recreational centers. As someone who has worked in the industry for the past ten years (as an instructor at Spirit of the Dragon Martial Arts), I have only seen growth in class size and attendance. Our location makes it possible for many lower income families to walk to classes and they have made it clear that it would be impossible for them to participate if we were in a different location.

Not to mention, for what we do, we need a large space. We have hundreds of active students and it would be impossible to teach that many children and adults in a smaller space. The lower rent of the warehouse/industrial area we are in allows our fees to stay low, and allows the lower income families to participate in the sport.

Please consider the negative outcome this bylaw can bring to local Regina businesses and communities.

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