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Hi colleagues,

Below are my presention notes on the report topics I registered to speak on:

ADDENDUM - REPORT OF THE STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT, HERITAGE AND DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DATED OCTOBER 13, 2021
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4. Sale of City Owned Property - 49 Higgins Avenue

I am in total support of Councillor Santos's motion on the sale of 49 Higgins Avenue and using proceeds to create a secondary plan for THE Point. Yes, I do know about using the capital budget to establish secondary plans which are hopefully prioritized by non ward criteria.

I am asking EPC to add back the recommendation to use some of the proceeds of the sale for creating secondary plans. However, I don't think Council should vote on the specific amount of dollars to create just a South Point Douglas plan, and who knows for sure that just that neighbourhood would cost $300,000.

The Point is of great importance to most of North Winnipeg on both sides of the Red River. From my perspective there is no higher priority for Winnipeg to have a secondary plan for North and South Point Douglas, especially given its being adjacent to Downtown and the North End. MS. Flynn has provided a submission explaining the Residents committee's perspective. I would point out that MS. Flynn had put together this presentation quickly, and instead of using East Kildonan as a stakeholder area, she should have used Elmwood which has two or three neighbourhoods immediately across the Red River from The Point.

The Point with one of the longest histories in Winnipeg was split in half by the CPR coming through Winnipeg. The Point Douglas Ward and the Mynarski Ward use the middle of the CPR line and yards as a dividing border from the Red River to Arlington with the North and South Point Douglas neighbourhoods using the middle of the CPR from the Red River to Main Street as the border between north and south. See attached maps of the neighbourhoods from our city record. A verbal description of South Point Douglas follows:

South Point Douglas borders ---- north CPR Mainline; west Main St; south Logan Ave./Galt Ave.; east Red River

The Public Service has gone beyond South Point Douglas in their description of this transional neighbourhood by using the south side of Sutherland Avenue due to employment land issues. In fact, the new plan for the east rapid transit corridor will actually tie in South and North with an AT tunnel from the Sutherland side to Water Front under the CPR. This rapid transit route will be incorporating many physical features in North Point Douglas where south of the Louise Bridge the Buchanan Boat Launch Park and a property owned by the same people as the Gateway Industries property on the south side of the CPR. There is an industrial/manufacturing property to the north of the Louise Bridge not being contemplated to be in the South secondary plan with several industrial/manufacturing properties further west north side of Sutherland.

Other important facts but not the full number of facts are the Point Douglas Residents Committee has several plans in place that could shorten the amount of work required to establish the North Point Douglas Neighbourhood secondary plan. North Point Douglas is also one of the five housing neighbourhoods defined by Council and City of Winnipeg.

I could go on, but time is limited. Thanks for your time.

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Ross listens!

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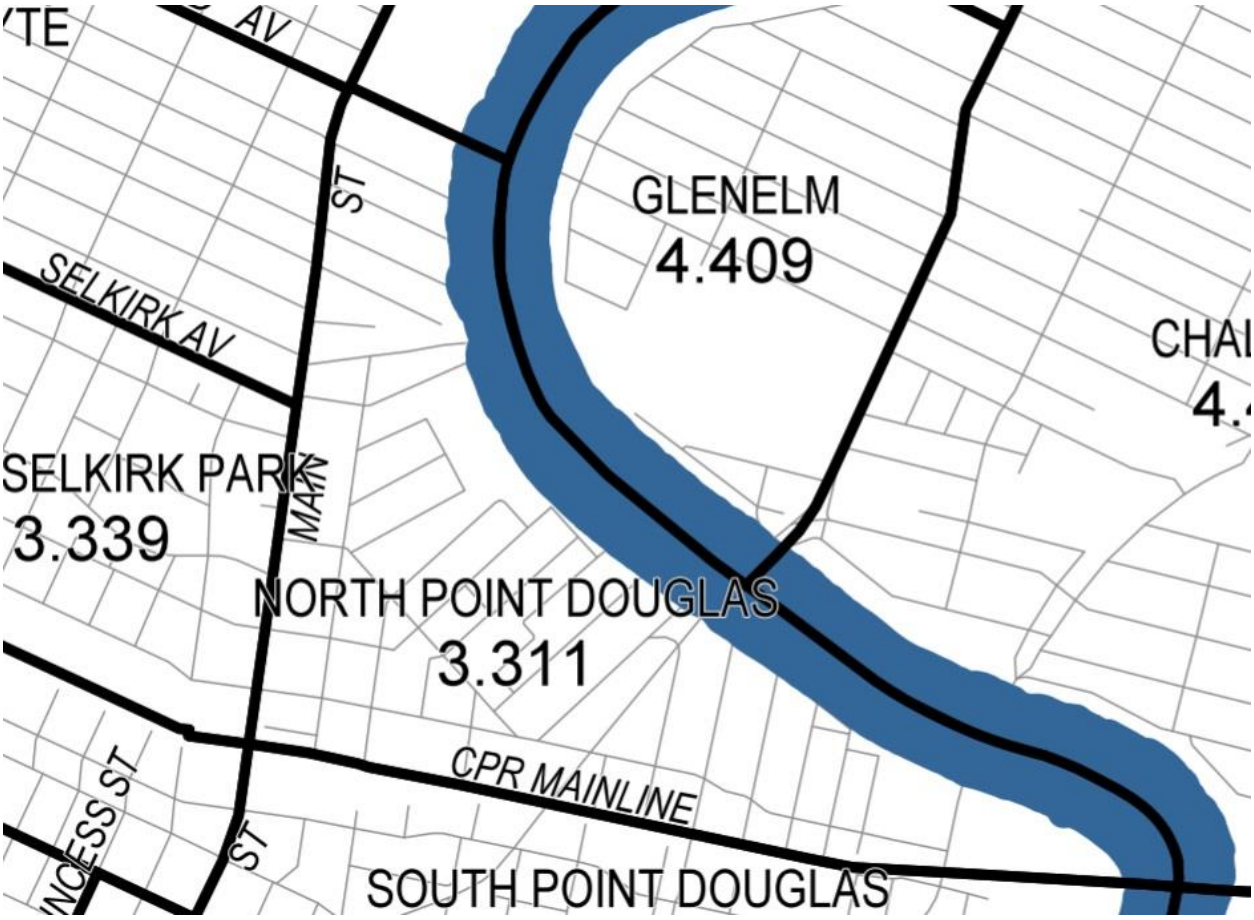
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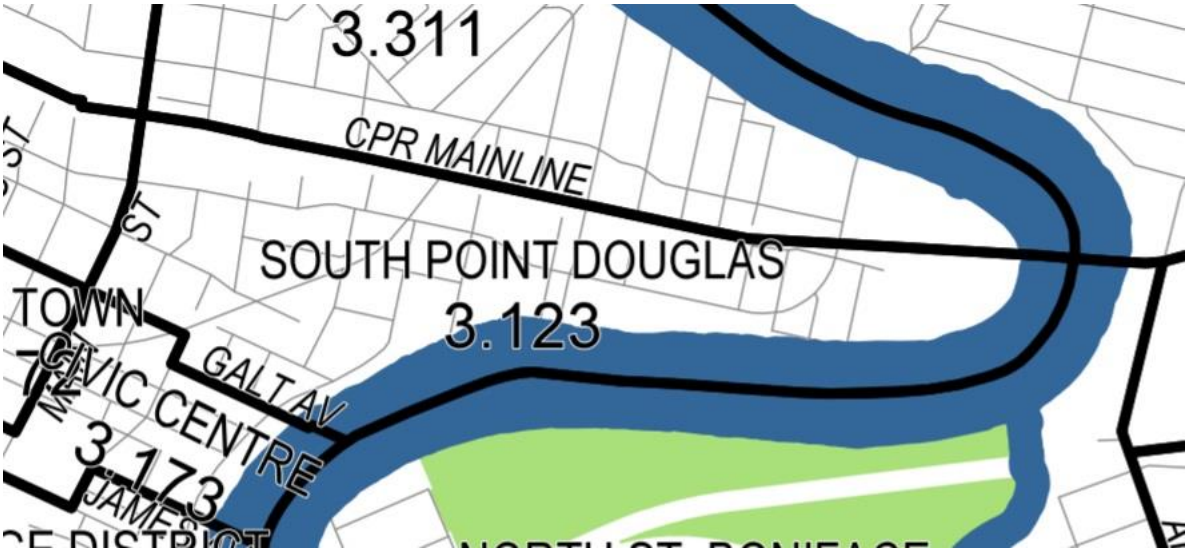
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