Dec 9, 2021
To the City Clerk Department

Re: Agenda for Executive Policy Committee (Special Meeting) - Master Greenspace Plan, Agenda items 4.and 5

Please add my letter to submissions, thank you.

Submission to Executive Policy Committee / Standing Policy Committee for Agenda for Executive Policy Committee (Special Meeting) - Master Greenspace Plan and Natural Corridors Plan, Agenda items 4 and 5.

I strongly support this Budget Item as it has been laid out in the City of Winnipeg 2022 Budget, for $700,000. as a strategic Investment over the next two years.
I feel its crucial to preserve and restore ecosystems and green space for our city, for the health and well being of citizens as well as our Indigenous Manitoba animal and plant life. The value in ecosystem services that are provided by greenspace include climate-change mitigation, protection from flooding, carbon sequestration, pollinator services, and supporting endangered bird, animal and plant species.
This plan recognizes the United Nations Decade of Ecosystem Restoration, 2021-2030.

Additionally I strongly support keeping the John Blumberg Golf course and area as City of Winnipeg Property, it was a brilliant decision to buy this land in the first place back in 1964 and it would be tragic to sell it or even sell a little portion of it. This would be an important part of the Master Greenspace and Natural Corridors Plan. Please do not let our citizens lose a most valuable part of our natural heritage.

Thank you,
Wendy Buelow

Below are photos of a Monarch Caterpillar eating a milkweed plant, Culver's root with Native Bee, and a Purple Prairie Clover plant with Native Bee gathering food! All very special and now rare plants that used to be everywhere in what is now Winnipeg and surrounding area.





