Submission – Bev Pike – Item 13

I oppose the removal of Community Committees from their role as reviewers of development applications.

Here's why:

The City wants to prevent Community Committees from reviewing development applications.

This means each Councillor people voted in won't be able to prioritise our neighbourhood's needs.

Developers will have even *more* power over our quality of life.

Communities need to have a say about what is built in their areas.

I ask all Councillors and the Mayor not to support these recommendations. (see addresses above)

Here is what voters actually told the Governance Committee in its consultations: "Public engagement would be improved through greater engagement with marginalized groups and the residents most affected by a decision."

Shady Manoeuvering: The City received the governance report last June and deliberately held it back. Finally, on Jan 13th, the 301 page report went public... only a week before recommendations on City governance will go before the Executive Policy Committee (EPC) on January 19,

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