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REPORT OF THE STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON WATER, WASTE, AND ENVIRONMENT DATED MAY 1, 2023 – ITEM 5 – PLAN FOR CAPTURING METHANE AT CITY LANDFILLS

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Comments in writing: As I have said here over the years, I am in favor of collection and use of fugitive CH4 from landfills, wherever practical. When the cost to taxpayers is too high, I no longer support this action. For example, if reducing city emissions by a ton of GHG means producing more than a ton-equivalent of new GHG, or if it means spending $100k doing so, I would not be onside.

More significant are the numbers quoted in this agenda item. Since the 3 sources of CH4 quoted are not significant nationally, we should stop saying that landfills produce 28% of Canada's fugitive methane. When a federal fearmongering report makes a ludicrous claim, and when you are reminded at EPC that the numbers are not possible, it is disappointing to see the city fail to adjust its wording.

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Public engagement preference: I agree