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Delegation information

Committee you want to address
Executive Policy Committee

Agenda item you want to address (number and title)
ADDENDUM REPORT OF THE STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS DATED SEPTEMBER 12, 2024 1. North Garage Replacement Project Budget Status

Support or oppose recommendations
I am opposed to the recommendations

Submit comments in writing checkbox
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Comments
To the members of the Executive Policy Committee,

I am writing to express my opposition to the recommendation of the Standing Policy Committee on Public Works to reduce the scope of the North Transit Garage replacement.

This garage replacement is critical for the implementation of the Winnipeg Transit Master Plan, which has been variously been described with terms such as:
-truly transformative
-once-in-a-lifetime
-the largest change in Winnipeg Transit's history

I am profoundly disappointed that, despite these grand words and visions, at literally the first funding decision mere months after the short-term network plan was approved for 2025, the Transit Master Plan is already being neutered by funding cuts. The pared-down garage will likely not be able to accommodate the 60-foot articulated busses which will be needed for the primary transit network. Without these busses, Winnipeg Transit's own predictions indicate the likelihood of a significant increase in pass-ups due to insufficient capacity.

Please reconsider this cut to transit, and invest in the future of Winnipeg by supporting the implementation of the long-awaited new network.

Thank you for your consideration

Public engagement (optional)

I consent to being contacted to participate in potential public engagement related to this matter.
No

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