

SUBMISSION – DAVID GRANT

ITEM 6 OF THE REPORT OF THE STANDING POLICY COMMITTEE ON PROPERTY AND DEVELOPMENT
DATED SEPTEMBER 13, 2024 CITY-WIDE RESIDENTIAL INFILL STRATEGY

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Committee you want to address

Council

Agenda item you want to address (number and title)

Property 6

I am opposed to the recommendations

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Comments

For decades we have all been taught that the smallest changes in "community livability attributes" will not be allowed, upon pain of heavy fines for the smallest transgression. Now, at the suggestion of some anonymous Ottawa bureaucrat, houses can be destroyed, mini parks can be torn-up, and replaced with apartment buildings, peering down on our homes from as much as 4 stories up. No one at city hall was elected to do any of this. This is a violation of the principles of democracy and good government. For centuries, Winnipeg has grown by developing new land, as do all cities which have available land. Since federal rules have provided the current demand for many thousands of new homes, the only practical answer is new residential green field development. We should be wary that Ontario cities have seen big apartment developments stall, as developers cannot sell the new units. Decisions like this should be made by local real estate professionals, not by ideologue bureaucrats a thousand miles away, even if they have bought the support of local allies.

Public engagement (optional)

I consent to being contacted to participate in potential public engagement related to this matter.

Yes

Personal information

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