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Expropriation and Rezoning of Lemay Forest (Item 1 - Standing Policy Committee on Property and Development – Notice of Motion)

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Delegation information

Committee you want to address

Council

Agenda item you want to address (number and title)

1. Expropriation and Rezoning of Lemay Forest

Support or oppose recommendations

I support the recommendations

Submit comments in writing checkbox

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Comments

I support the expropriation of the Lemay Forest. It is one of the last intact river bottom forests in the City of Winnipeg with great historic, cultural and environmental significance. It adds to our City's recreational spaces, preserves important biodiversity, and most importantly can help our City fulfill the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action.

Within the Lemay Forest is the abandoned Asile Cemetery of unmarked graves. There are over 3000 Children buried here. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Calls to Action 71-75 emphasize the need for the protection of Indigenous burial sites, reconciliation, and preserving sacred spaces like those in Lemay Forest.

I hope Council will support this motion and save Lemay Forest.

Public engagement (optional)

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

No