

Please note the following response to Speak to City Council has been submitted at Friday September 5th 2025 11:14 AM with reference number 2025-09-05-008.

- **What would you like to speak to Council about:**
Preparing a Fire Smart plan to protect Thunder infrastructure and citizens
- **Is this an item scheduled on a current agenda?:**
No
- **Provide as much information as you can about the matter you would like to speak to:**
Wildfire intensify and frequency is increasing as result of climate change. Thunder Bay has many citizens living in the wildfire urban interface (AKA wildland urban interface WUI) . Lake Superior to our east is a blessing but the other margins of the city need attention for fuel management and evacuation plans in the event of large fire events. As a forester living in Thunder Bay for more than 40 years but practicing forestry across North America, I have first hand knowledge of what fire smart planning looks like especially in the western provinces.
i want to bring to the attention of City Council the nature of the risks from wildfire and mitigation measures within the City's control.
- **Upload any addition images and/or documents about the matter (upload to 5 files):**
 1. [Re FW No, the Forest Industry Is Not Touting Clearcutting as a Wildfire Mitigation Tactic.pdf \[312.5 KB\]](#)
- **Provide specific actions you would like Council to take:**
The City should develop a pilot fire Smart plan and then deploy a fully developed fire smart plan.
- **Have you already been in contact with City staff in regards to the subject matter of your deputation request?**
Yes
- **Who did you speak to in City Administration? What was the outcome?**
Mayor and Police Chief on several social occasions over the last six months. they suggested I engage the council in this process.
- **Please select the date of the meeting:**
Standing Committee - Tuesday, September 9 2025
- **Please choose**
Mr

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- **Please indicate how you intend to participate in the meeting.**
In Person