

Hello,

Please note the following response to Speak to City Council has been submitted at Friday November 14th 2025 10:34 AM with reference number 2025-11-14-022.

- **What would you like to speak to Council about:**
Proposed surplus of City owned land - call for proposals, with respect to 791 Arundel St.
- **Is this an item scheduled on a current agenda?:**
Yes
- **If yes, please provide report title or number.**
As per Jeff Walters, Deputy City Clerk, this information is not required.
- **Provide as much information as you can about the matter you would like to speak to:**
The City is proposing to designate 791 Arundel Street as "surplus", allowing the sale of the land to a developer pursuant to the "Call for Proposals" issued on June 2, 2025. Should this land be designated surplus and the sale proceeds, the developer, with the consent of the City, is proposing to build a 600 unit housing development.

My husband and I, as joint property owners of 420 Toledo St., are directly impacted by the proposed development as our property is adjacent to 791 Arundel. We are not against "smart" growth in the City, or even reasonable development on this particular parcel of land. However, the sheer size of this development dwarfs every other build type in the community, as well as the City of Thunder Bay itself, and is completely inappropriate for this particular location.

- **Provide specific actions you would like Council to take:**
We implore the Standing Committee on Growth to deny the endorsement of this land for surplus given the massive size of the proposed development.

We further ask the Committee to direct City Administration to reconsider the appropriateness of 791 Arundel St. for surplus or barring that, only consider smaller development proposals which would be more appropriate for this car dependent location which lacks local amenities, and would be in keeping with other build types such as the existing single family homes and much smaller apartment buildings in the community.

- **Have you already been in contact with City staff in regards to the subject matter of your deputation request?**

No

- **Please select the date of the meeting:**

Standing Committee - Tuesday, November 25 2025

- **Please choose**

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- **Organization you represent: (optional)**

Not applicable

- **Please note the names of the presenters that will be attending with you:**

Not applicable

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

In Person