

Yukon Legislative Assembly

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Hon. Ranj Pillai Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources Box 2703 Whitehorse, YT Y1A 2C6 Hon. John Streicker Minister of Community Services Box 2703 Whitehorse, YT Y1A 2C6

Dear Ministers,

RE: City of Whitehorse Infill Lot Development

This letter is in follow-up to questions I raised in the Legislative Assembly on June 5th and June 7th of this year regarding a proposal by the City of Whitehorse to create new infill lots in the riding of Copperbelt South.

At the time, I raised concerns from my constituents about the speed at which these proposals are moving forward and asked about the role of the Government of Yukon in this process. Further, I asked if your government would be willing to slow the process down, as it relates to Government of Yukon land, to speak to the residents of Copperbelt South before anything went forward. At the time it was indicated that your government is playing a role in this infill development but reaching out to my constituents about it was not something your government was willing to do. Instead you committed to discuss this issue with the City.

Since I asked these questions in June I have continued to hear concerns from constituents. Most recently I have heard concerns about a parcel of land in Mary Lake that belongs to the Government of Yukon and is designated green space used by local residents year round for outdoor activities.

With respect to these infill proposals I'm wondering if you could answer a couple of questions for me so that I can share this information with my constituents.

Firstly, what is the process by which the Government of Yukon transfers land to the City of Whitehorse for infill proposals? Are there any conditions your government is putting on these parcels of land regarding their future use or zoning? Are there any steps taken by your government before considering which parcels of land will be transferred?

Finally, for constituents of Copperbelt South and Mary Lake who are concerned about Government of Yukon land being transferred to the City, is there any means for them to appeal or slow the process down so that they can have more time to have their voices heard on this issue?

Thank you for your consideration on this matter, and I appreciate any information you can provide to me at this time.

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Sincerely.

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