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## Issues

### Save Our Green Space Update

March 6 2012, 8:54am

Categories: **Green Space, City Hall**

Neighbourhoods: **Pembina Strip, North River Heights, Grant Park, Crescentwood, Beaumont**

There has been a number of Motions to request that public consultation begin before developer proposals are identified and to identify lands that are not for sale due to heritage, environmental and public considerations. All motions have been blocked by a majority of Council.

The process to sell golf courses, which are publically owned green spaces, began in October 2011 when the City administration called for an Expressions of Interest for seven City owned golf courses.

The Expression of Interest invited only developers and golf course operators to provide ideas to the City of Winnipeg. The general public has been excluded from having input on the use of these lands.

The City of Winnipeg administration, without Council involvement, is in the process of choosing what options will be recommended to Council.

The recommended proposals is expected to be presented to Council for approval sometime in March 2012.

The golf courses on the auction block include Windsor Park, the Canoe Club, Tuxedo, Crescent Drive, Harbour View, Kildonan Park, and John Blumberg.

It is our land and there are many public options that would benefit all of Winnipeg. The process is backwards as the public, not developers, should have the first opportunity to say what they envision for the land. This does not mean that development may not occur, but it should not occur at the expense of the public's opportunity to repurpose the land for future generations to continue to enjoy.

You can help preserve green spaces by contacting your City Councillor and/or joining the advocacy group Outdoor Urban Recreational Spaces @ <http://www.ours-winnipeg.com/>



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