

The St Lambert city council adopted last June 11 a bylaw to allowing the construction of a 12 story tower, in the heart of the woodland in parc Limousin

Citizens who disagreed with the loss of the woodland expressed their concerns during the public consultation on July 10th. City council however accepted three bylaws on August 27 in favour of a land exchange with COGIR (Les Jardins Intérieurs).

The bylaw permitting certain aspects of the construction (2018-43-15) could be challenged following the receipt of 338 signatures from residents of Preville on October 9th 2018.

The bylaws to change the zoning (2018-42-1 and 2018-43-14) have not been withdrawn, despite the repeated demands to the city council to keep the entire park the way it is now,

A public notice posted on October 17th, 2018 announced the coming into effect of the bylaw (2018-42-1) which authorizes the exchange of land, rezones of a part of the park as residential and starting now allows the construction of a residential tower

CONSIDERING THAT:

- Parc du Limousin is the last natural woodland in St Lambert (from before the urbanization of rue Victoria)
- Parc du Limousin contains rare species: (oval hickory and hackberry) with more than 30% of red oak.
- The city has hastily disposed of a public park by changing its zoning to make it accessible to a promoter, without taking into account the public dissatisfaction and the many objections from the population since the start of public consultation on July 10th.
- This precedent threatens the preservation of all the public parks in St Lambert
- The development of an urban plan is a serious exercise, the population has the right to expect that elected city councillors will consult them on all zoning changes affecting parks and green spaces, prior to a vote.

WE DEMAND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

- Reverse the bylaw for the zoning change (2018-42-1) so that the entire park returns to its original status.
- Protect the du Limousin woodland by giving it a special conversation status (ecoterritoire designé)
- Commit that no other park or green space in St Lambert will be made available to private interests, without having prior public consultation that is transparent

- Make the public consultation ‘‘ Vision 2035’’the future urban plan, a real citizen reflection on the challenges of the densification and conservation of its green spaces.
- Commit themselves that all municipal parks: ‘‘La Coulée Verte’’, both golf clubs be listed as ‘‘écosystèmes d’intérêt confirmé’’ in the diagram ‘‘de l’aménagement de l’agglomération de Longueuil’’.

Thank you for signing

NB Note only adults of voting age having an address in St Lambert, can sign this petition
Don't forget to share this petition with neighbours and friends from St Lambert. Thank you

Comité de saugarde du boisé du Limousin