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An Open Letter to Residents of Kanata and Ottawa,

As the community and City were recently informed, the Ontario Land Tribunal has recognized the theoretical possibility of future development on the golf course in Kanata. The OLT has also identified a very long list of conditions, hurdles, and roadblocks which ClubLink would have to overcome to be able to proceed with their development proposal.

However, it is important for the Community to know that the City of Ottawa strongly opposes and will continue to oppose this development.

The City's core argument is that the proposed development violates both the letter and the spirit of the 40% agreement to which ClubLink expressly agreed to comply. In a previous finding by the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Justice Labrosse ruled on and upheld the ongoing validity of various key parts of the 40% agreement.

Between now and late 2022, we expect the Superior Court to rule again on the 40% agreement and to provide an even more explicit understanding of the developer's obligations under the original agreement.



It is my intention to continue working with Kanata North Councillor Cathy Curry, with all members of Council, with the Kanata Greenspace Protection Coalition and other interested parties to continue to oppose this inappropriate development.

As things stand today, this development cannot and must not proceed. Namely, the obligation in the 40% agreement to operate the golf course still stands. Even if this significant legal hurdle were not in place, the developer has yet to produce a viable stormwater plan that is acceptable to the City of Ottawa.

These are not minor details. They are fundamental roadblocks that ClubLink has yet to address in its haste to violate the honourable and contractual obligations it inherited when it acquired the Kanata golf course.

In closing, I want to take this opportunity to thank all members of the Kanata community, and more particularly the Kanata Greenspace Protection Coalition for their ongoing and steadfast support in protecting important green space in our city.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jim Watson'.

Jim Watson, Mayor
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