



Legislation Text

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Alan McNair, Conservation Committee Chair of the Brereton Field Naturalists' Club (BFNC) provided a deputation regarding motion 11-G-274, North Shore Trail Vegetation Management Plan Review. He stated that the BFNC is concerned about the bigger picture, noting that the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan and Phosphorous Reduction Strategy calls for a 30 metre wide desired buffer of natural vegetated shoreline. Mr. McNair commented that he feels the North Shore Trail Vegetation Management Plan (NSTVMP) does not meet this goal. He stated that he believes the NSTVMP opposes the goals of the City's Official Plan and raised a number of concerns regarding the process and public consultation for the development of the plan. Mr. McNair noted that he is concerned that the results of the existing vegetation plan have not been thoroughly evaluated and believes that City Council should not set a precedent for preferential tree and vegetation management in City Parklands.

Mr. McNair urged City Council to complete the existing Vegetation Management Plan and not support motion 11-G-274. He stated that the BFNC has provided this deputation in the interest of preserving a safe, vibrant and ecologically sustainable community for all residents of Barrie.