
Subject: Email - Communication - Chris Friesen - Propose No Drones Over City Property Bylaw - CK 370-1
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Subject would like to propose an exemption to the "no drones over city property" bylaw

Message

Dear Councillor,

City bylaw 5729 bans the use of remotely-piloted aircraft (i.e. radio-controlled planes and quadcopters) over property controlled by the city. I would like to propose that the city set aside certain city-controlled property that would be exempt from this bylaw in order to provide a place for people to legally fly within city limits without the time and expense of having to go all the way out to the Hub City Radio Control Club which is quite a ways outside of town.

Under Transport Canada regulations, most of the city is close enough to the airport that only aircraft under 250g may be legally flown. These are small enough that the risk of harm is minimized, and the areas chosen could be selected to minimize the risk to privacy and/or safety to bystanders.

As an initial starting point I would like to propose the area highlighted in the attached map. In particular, the area between the Meewasin Trail and Whiteswan Dr. is a bare field that is almost never used for anything. It could be used to fly small planes or quadcopters which would provide a place for hobbyists to gather and safely enjoy their hobby. Similarly, the Meewasin Trail on the East side of the river between the train bridge and Circle Drive North is a wide open empty space used only by the occasional pedestrian or cyclist.

There are likely similar areas in other parts of the city, but people more familiar with the areas might be better suited to make specific suggestions.

What would be the process to formally make such a proposal to council?

Sincerely,
Chris Friesen
Attachment
[map.jpg](#)