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Subject: Formal Objection — Trestle Creek Proposal, Bylaw 2026-25 (Public Hearing July 14, 2026)

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Good day Mayor, Council and Administrative Services,

I am writing to formally object to the Trestle Creek Golf Resort proposal as presented under Bylaw 2026-25, and to raise concerns I believe Council must weigh before any decision on this application.

Specifically, I ask that Council refuse Bylaw 2026-25 at this time, or at minimum defer any decision until the questions raised below — particularly items 1, 3, and 4 — have been addressed on the public record.

1. Fire origin, cause, and unaddressed accountability

The independent origin-and-cause investigation into the WCU-001-23 (Range Road 70) wildfire — Henricks and Associates Ltd., File HA-203-23, dated November 19, 2023, prepared for Parkland County — concluded that the fire was a holdover fire originating in a debris windrow ignited on Trestle Creek's property in early November 2022, under the direction of the resort's owner, Alvin Clark. The report found that this specific burn location was not covered by a valid fire permit, that this constituted a violation of Bylaw No. 22-2012, and that multiple neighbouring residents observed smoke from this location repeatedly over the winter before the fire's escape on April 29, 2023. The fire ultimately burned approximately 6,284 hectares, forced evacuations, and destroyed homes and a commercial property.

To my knowledge, Parkland County has never publicly disclosed what accountability measures, if any, followed from these findings. I ask Council directly: what, if any, enforcement or compliance action was taken in response to the Henricks and Associates findings, and why has this not been communicated to residents?

2. Planning history and the EMRB

Council adopted the Trestle Creek Golf Resort Conceptual Scheme on January 9, 2024, replacing prior administrative outline plans and guiding further golf course expansion, residential development, and a boutique hotel on this site. That approval proceeded without referral to the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board. I note that at the time of this approval, Parkland County's mayor, Allan Gamble, was also serving as chair of the EMRB — the very body this project was not referred to. The EMRB has since been dissolved as a mandatory requirement, but it was in effect at the time this decision was made, under the previous Council and mayor. I ask that Council consider this specific application in light of that history, and confirm what regional planning review, if any, will apply going forward given the EMRB's dissolution.

3. Highway access safety

The current proposal does not identify or address the highway approach into the resort, yet that access point will be affected by any and all further Trestle Creek development regardless of which specific parcel is before Council. I have significant concerns about this approach: it has no turning lanes, and hills to both the east and west limit sightlines for approaching traffic. I do not want this location to develop the collision and fatality history seen at Highway 16A and Range Road 20 elsewhere in Parkland County — an intersection with a documented record of

dozens of collisions and multiple fatalities, which the Province is now spending over \$22 million to relocate. I ask that Council require a current traffic safety review of this access point, including sightline and turning-lane assessment, before approving any development that would add traffic through it.

4. Seasonal resort designation versus actual use

Trestle Creek is designated and marketed as a seasonal resort. However, residents who live at Trestle Creek full-time have spoken directly to Council about their year-round residency, including sending their children to school in Entwistle and in Edmonton. I ask that Council clarify whether year-round residency at this site is consistent with its approved land use designation, and if not, what compliance steps are being taken.

5. Standard of accountability

Given the scale of destruction caused by unpermitted burning on this property, and the apparent absence of any public accountability outcome, I ask Council plainly: why has Trestle Creek not been held to the same standard as other developers in this County would be under comparable circumstances? Residents deserve a clear answer.

I request that this submission be entered into the public record for the July 14, 2026 hearing.

Best Regards,

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