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Mayor Eisenberger and members of Council,

I want to write and express my appreciation to Council for your unanimous decision on Friday, February 7, to remain an intervenor in the application currently before the OEB to approve the new Enbridge fracked-gas pipeline, to not approve this pipeline until an ecological assessment (and a peer-review of this assessment) is completed, to urge the OEB to hold an oral rather than written hearing, and to include both up- and down-stream impacts of this pipeline on climate change.

As there is in fact no need in Ontario for the expensive energy that the burning of this fossil fuel would provide, and given the urgent climate crisis we are currently in (and that the Council has acknowledged) and given that this infrastructure would be in place for at least 40 years, years that we must severely curtail rather than augment our dependence on fossil fuel, these decisions were both financially and morally sound.

I look forward to further decisions on the part of Council that put our collective safety and health before the small tax incentives the City would gain. Good work. Please keep it up.

Susan Wortman