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RE: CITY OF BRAMPTON

Planning and Development Committee January 23, 2023
(ITEM 7.4) Recommendation Report – 2023 Fee Changes for Development and Site Plan Applications

The Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD) is in receipt of the recommendation report (7.4) entitled *2023 Fee Changes for Development and Site Plan Applications* being presented to Planning and Development Committee on January 23rd. Based on the information in the report, BILD has concerns with the 25% increase for all development and site plan application fees, as well as the 210% increase to the City's pre-consultation fee.

To start, BILD would like to take this opportunity to thank staff for meeting with us in December of 2022 to discuss an anticipated fee increase in the New Year. Though from that meeting until now, our sentiments remain unchanged. Fee increases beyond inflation must be accompanied by an analysis (background study or financial assessment) to support the level of increase Brampton is recommending today. In addition to the analysis, the industry also needs assurance that with any increase, especially one of this nature, will be commensurate with an equal increase in service levels in the City. Based on what is coming forward today, the City does not have the appropriate information to warrant these increases.

Provided that within today's report staff identify the need for a 2023 Comprehensive Fee Review, BILD is requesting a full deferral of the February 1, 2023 fee increases until the City has undertaken their intended comprehensive review.

Further to this, and similar to the work BILD has undertaken in municipalities like Markham and Vaughan – **BILD would like to create a Working Group with Brampton for the duration of this review.** This working group can work as a trusted forum for the industry and the City to meet at every stage throughout the review. A working group of this nature provides a level of transparency and accountability for the City, as well as the industry throughout all stages of this process.

We all have a part to play in the creation and attainability of new homes. As your community building partner we hope you will continue to work with us to ensure that the policies put towards homebuilding are fair and feasible. We look forward to working with the City further on this item.

Kind regards,



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The Building Industry and Land Development Association is an advocacy and educational group representing the building, land development and professional renovation industry in the Greater Toronto Area. BILD is the largest home builders' association in Canada, and is affiliated with the Ontario Home Builders' Association and the Canadian Home Builders' Association. It's 1,500 member companies consists not only of direct industry participants but also of supporting companies such as financial and professional service organizations, trade contractors, as well as manufacturers and suppliers of home-related products.