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Land Use & Development Planning

VIA EMAIL

April 19, 2023

Mayor & Members of Council City of Brampton 2 Wellington Street West Brampton, ON L6Y 4R2

Attention: City Clerk's Office

Re: Item 7.1 Planning & Development Committee Meeting April 24, 2023

Recommendation Report – City-Initiated Official Plan Amendment to the Credit Valley Secondary Plan Area 45, Wards 4 and 5

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R Walters Planning is the planning consultant for Mr. Walter Grdevich, owner of 1402 Queen Street West, and for Denford Estates Inc. (Royal Pine Homes), owner of 1420 Queen Street West. This letter is further to a letter of June 23, 2022 regarding the draft Official Plan Amendment to the Credit Valley Secondary Plan considered at the June 6, 2022 public meeting.

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On November 30, 2022, we attended a Preconsultation Application Meeting for the development of these lands (PRE-2022-0051) for the purpose of developing a multi-unit residential development while recognizing the various environmental features and buffers to be considered. While future planning approvals will require an Environmental Impact Study to confirm the natural heritage features and buffers, our preliminary constraint mapping (attached) shows approximately 1.048 ha (2.59 acres) of developable area on these properties. A follow-up meeting with City Transportation Services and subsequent correspondence indicated that City staff had no major issues with a private road in place of a public road through the properties. Since that time, we have been developing designs and investigating servicing issues to support residential development up to 12 storeys on these properties.

In reviewing the draft Official Plan Amendment in Appendix C of the Staff Recommendation Report to be considered at Committee on April 24, 2023, we are pleased to see that the proposed Amendment recognizes that the conceptual local road system can be both public and private. However, in reviewing Schedule SP45(b) – Springbrook Settlement Area Tertiary Plan of the draft Amendment, we request consideration of the following modifications prior to adoption by Council:

 That the depth of the proposed Medium Density Residential (Mid Rise) designation be extended north on these properties to match the westerly properties fronting Queen Street West and extended east to the environmental designations.

While the limits of the Medium Density Residential (Mid Rise) designation are conceptual, the proposed Schedule shows an intent to reduce the depth compared to the westerly properties and to maintain a Low-Medium Density Residential designation immediately west of the environmental designations on 1402 Queen Street West. Extending the depth and width of the Medium Density Residential (Mid Rise) designation is appropriate given the large natural area to the east and further north which will provide an amenity for such development an act as a buffer for existing low rise residential development east of the watercourse. As City staff have indicated no major issues with block development fronting a private road on these properties, there should be no issue with extending the Conceptual Road through an extended depth of Medium Density Residential (Mid Rise) designation. This additional density would further support provincial policies for intensification along the proposed Primary Urban Boulevards and Higher Order Transit of Queen Street West and the housing targets due to Bill 23.

2) The policies for the Low-Medium Density Residential designation that apply to lands north of the above extended designation on these properties should remove the current density cap of 50 units per net hectare.

The Low-Medium Density Residential designation permits a range of townhouse structure types and removal of the cap would allow the development of back-to-back and stacked townhouses which would provide a better transition and compatibility between undeveloped lands in this designation to the west fronting Creditview Road and future 12 storey development within the Medium Density Residential (Mid Rise) designation on the subject lands. This transition would be consistent with the Amendment's proposed Urban Design Policy "v" and also further support the Amendment's transit and housing objectives.

We request to be provided with notice of all future consultations and decisions regarding this proposed Amendment.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond.

Sincerely,

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