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February 27, 2013

To: Planning and Growth Committee

Re: Item 22.1 OP Amendment regarding Affordable Housing as a S. 37 Benefit

This is to advise you that Grange neighbourhood has benefited from a progressive use of S.37 in this neighbourhood.

In particular, S.37 was used to provide a housing benefit at 210 Simcoe Street for the benefit of the OCADU and Artscape.
As well, S.37 was also used to provide funding for the Queen Street Heritage Conservation District.

In our neighbouring community, S. 37 was also used to provide affordable housing at 430 King Street West.

We view this amendment as a codification of what has occurred in practice. It is a useful tool which can benefit other neighbourhoods right across the city.

We support the proposal.

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