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Building Industry and Land  
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April 10, 2013

Councillor Peter Milczyn &  
Members of the Planning and Growth Management Committee  
City of Toronto, City Hall  
100 Queen Street West  
Toronto, Ontario  
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**RE: April 11<sup>th</sup> Planning and Growth Management Committee Meeting**  
**Agenda Item: PG23.5 Updated City-wide Tall Building Design Guidelines**

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The Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD) is in receipt of the City of Toronto's staff report for agenda item: *PG23.5 Updated City-wide Tall Building Design Guidelines*. On behalf of the BILD Toronto Chapter members we submit the following comments for your consideration in advance of the April 11<sup>th</sup> Planning and Growth Management Committee meeting.

Since last year BILD's Toronto Chapter has been actively reviewing the different iterations of the draft guidelines and took part in several consultation meetings with city staff.

We are pleased to inform you that throughout this review, we have had very meaningful consultation with city staff. Therefore we would like to take this opportunity to thank Robert Freedman, Allison Reid and other associated city staff for their diligent commitment to our consultation meetings and on-going discussions during this city-wide review.

It is important to note that our industry has already been living with many of the principles contained in the proposed guidelines. While BILD did not agree with all aspects of the final city-wide guidelines, we were able to come to consensus with city staff on mutually beneficial changes such as the addition of the 'How and where the guidelines apply' section and a number of stylistic edits. Therefore we believe the revised version is more clear and comprehensible.

We thank you for the opportunity to submit comments. Please feel free to contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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