



**BUILDING A GREATER GTA**  
Building Industry and Land  
Development Association

May 15, 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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Dear Councillor Peter Milczyn &  
Members of the Planning and Growth Management Committee,

**Re: PG24.6 Official Plan/Municipal Comprehensive Reviews: Results of Public Consultations on Draft Policies and Designations for Economic Health and Employment Lands**

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The Building Industry and Land Development Association is in receipt of the May 15<sup>th</sup> staff report for the *Official Plan/Municipal Comprehensive Reviews: Results of Public Consultations on Draft Policies and Designations for Economic Health and Employment Lands*, and we submit the following comments for your review and consideration.

We acknowledge that this report summarizes the results of the public consultations on the draft policies for economic health and employment lands, the designations and mapping of employment areas which took place over the last four months. The report also outlines potential changes in policy direction resulting from the consultations. As interested and affected stakeholders, we appreciate that city staff met with BILD representatives on January 24<sup>th</sup> for a consultation meeting on the employment policies.

We would like to take this opportunity to formally request additional consultation meetings for two recommended directions of this report being, *but not limited to*; (1) the direction for staff to report back to the committee in September on the investigation of policy approaches to address the impact of non-residential sensitive uses in employment areas, and (2) the direction to staff to refine the policy of net gain of non-residential space in residential redevelopments in the Downtown, Centres and within walking distance of rapid transit stations to office buildings.

BILD appreciates the opportunity to submit comments. Please feel free to contact the undersigned if you have any comments or concerns.

Sincerely,

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