## Swansea Area Ratepayers' Association

Reflecting the interests of the Swansea Community



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To: City of Toronto Executive Committee Committee Administrator, Ms. Jennifer Forkes 10th Floor West Toronto City Hall, 100 Queen Street West Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N2

Sent via email: exc@toronto.ca

Re: EX3.4: Capital and Operating Budgets Executive Meeting No. 3 – March 2nd, 2015

Dear Mayor John Tory and Executive Committee Members:

I am writing on behalf of the Swansea Area Ratepayers' Association (SARA) and the Swansea Area Ratepayers' Group (SARG) to support CORRA's efforts to address the shortage in city planning staff needed to consider our local planning needs. We need to make ensure that the City has the resources to support Heritage Conservation Districts (HCDs), local area policies and zoning in our neighbourhoods, and other efforts that our members place value in and warrant the City's attention. SARA/SARG has supported CORRA's efforts at City Hall with respect to this matter and would like to both confirm our support of CORRA and the efforts to:

- 1. To ensure the City 2015 planning budget allocates money towards HCDs and local area policies and zoning
- 2. To ensure there is money in the budget for additional resources that include planning staff to make these local planning needs a priority
- 3. That discretionary legal services be continued and they involve both the community and local Councillor in requesting the City solicitor to attend alcohol and licensing hearings or OMB hearings.

Sincerely,

David Fleming Executive Secretary SARA/SARG