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**VIA EMAIL (SCC@TORONTO.CA)**

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Attention: Yvonne Davies, Administrator

Dear Madam:

**Re: City of Toronto Initiated Official Plan Amendment Application 15 201157 ESC 36  
OZ – Former Blantyre Avenue Road Allowance**

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We are the solicitors for RioCan Real Estate Investment Trust ("RioCan"), owner of the lands municipally known as 2480 – 2490 Gerrard Street. RioCan is the owner of the lands which are the subject matter of the proposed City initiated Official Plan Amendment to designate a Blantyre Avenue extension on the north side of Gerrard Street to link up with the new public street contemplated in Draft Plan of Subdivision Application No. 13 233037 ESC 36 SB.

RioCan has only recently been approached by staff in respect of the proposed Official Plan Amendment to designate a new Blantyre Road extension along the western edge of the RioCan property. RioCan has received limited details as to the basis of the proposed City initiated OPA. RioCan has not been provided with any details concerning the City's plan to acquire the lands proposed to be designated for a Blantyre Road extension north of Gerrard.

It is important to note that the former Blantyre road allowance north of Gerrard was permanently stopped up, closed and sold by the City to RioCan's predecessor in interest and is now owned by RioCan.

Until such time as RioCan is satisfied as to the rationale for the City's request to reopen a closed and disposed of former road allowance, and satisfactory arrangements are in place for the acquisition of the subject lands for a new public, it is not appropriate to move forward with the City initiated OPA to designate a new road on the RioCan land. The proposed City initiated OPA is not necessary for the approval of the Build Toronto applications and the implementation of the Build Toronto development proposal.

Please ensure that we are provided with notice of Council's decision in this matter.

Yours truly,

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