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Memorandum

July 11, 2016

To: Members of Toronto City Council

From: Ulli S. Watkiss City Clerk

Re: Planning Act Changes

We are writing to inform you of some recent Planning Act changes. These came into effect July 1 and largely affect planning notices issued by the City Clerk's Office.

These changes include:

- more emphasis on residents telling us if they want to continue to get notice, which should help with the issue of people being mailed multiple times
- ability to use e-mail for notice to certain groups
- an attempt to address a concern expressed by residents and ratepayers' associations that they do not know if their efforts have an effect on decision making by including a statement about submissions in Notices of By-law Passing for Zoning and Official Plan amendments.

So that the City Clerk can include a statement on the Notices to fulfill the last provision, Council will be asked to adopt a resolution at each meeting that submissions made at Committee and Council were considered in making the decision on Zoning By-law and Official Plan Amendments.

Ulli S. Watkiss City Clerk