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Councillor Cesar Pallacio Chair - Licensing and Standards Committee 10th floor, West Tower, City Hall 100 Queen Street West

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Dear Mr. Pallacio and Committee Members:

## RE: Comments concerning LS 9.1, Amendments to Chapter 591, noise

I am pleased to have the opportunity to contribute some ideas to the refining of the noise regulations for the City of Toronto.

As a condo owner/resident in downtown Toronto, living at Bay and Wellesley, I have been exposed to the noises of downtown life. Also, I live just a few metres from the construction site for the condo tower being built at 1000 Bay Street.

I have seen the letter of Ian Flett and agree with his points. I have a few comments to add to Mr. Flett's suggestions.

## comments on proposed amendments to Chapter 591 of Toronto's Municipal Code.

1. Applicants for exemption should be required to notify nearby households and businesses of their application in addition to the relevant ward councillor.

Of critical importance is how these noise applications are handled so that they have meaning for the residents that they affect so very much. My additions to Mr. Flett's comments:

- 1. In the situation of a developer seeking to extend the hours of work on his site or to request work time on Saturdays, the developer should be solely responsible for the mailing of this information to anyone living within the 120 M. radius.
- 2. As an owner-resident, I want that letter to be delivered to ME directly, not to the Property Manager to be posted.
- 3. There are implications for added work for either the City of Toronto or the Councillor's office in that the mailing list will have to be procured from one of these sources. I request that some way be found to defray the costs of time and money for the added workload of the city/councillor. It needs to be recognized financially or with extra staff hours-PAID FOR BY THE DEVELOPER.
- 4. Such payments should be above and beyond the fee paid to the Noise and Standards Department. It should not come out of the application fee. It should not put the Noise and Standards Department in a negative financial position.

Thank you to the Committee and Councillor Wong-Tam for the initiation of this review of Chapter 591 of the Toronto Municipal Code.

Respectfully,

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Encl: (1) Ian Flett Letter dated January 19, 2016

. CC: councillor Wong-Tam, Ward 27

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