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TO: MAYOR JOHN TORY AND 25-MEMBER CITY COUNCIL
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CC. Ms. Marilyn Toft, Council Secretariat
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RE: MM12.29: New PC-Bill 138 Preliminary Comments
To Be Considered by the Mayor and City Council at Meeting No. 12
November 26 and 27, 2019

I write to ask Mayor Tory and members of City Council to re-consider the adding of this Members Motion MM12.29 without Notice to Council Agenda.

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(New)

Bill 138 - Preliminary City Comments - by Councillor Ana Bailão, seconded by
Councillor Paula Fletcher (Ward All) **URGENT**

** This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

** This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

It deals with Provincial Legislation, and that is hardly urgent. The Ontario Legislature is not Council Floor.

This PC-Bill 138 is new. According to the Staff Report the name of this PC-Bill 138 (not to be confused with the LIB-Bill 138) is called a "Plan to Build Ontario Together Act" and will also be considering the changes made through Bill 108. I have no knowledge of this new Bill.

To be clear, a development charge is a levy and subject to separate legislation. The amounts required are different from the other related cash-in lieu/or in-kind items. For instance, the S37 Benefits for greater density/height or cash in lieu are requests related to "planning" and these amounts are not "mandatory" nor are they "levies". I do not support, generally, S37 Benefits as it skews the planning decision making process.

It's time to think about how robust law or legislation ought to be passed. And explaining this to the general public to ensure "growth does pay for growth" and that the existing taxpayers are not further burdened with the gaps and shortfalls of passing legislation in haste.

Respectfully,

Eileen Denny