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Dear Mayor Tory and Members of Council:

**Agenda Item PH22.7 Update on Committee of Adjustment Virtual Public Hearings
City Council Meeting, May 5, 2021**

The Lytton Park Residents' Organization ("LPRO") is an incorporated non-profit association, representing residents living in the area bounded by Lawrence Avenue West to Roselawn and Briar Hill Avenues, Yonge Street to Saguenay and Proudfoot Avenue. Residents participate in the Committee of Adjustment virtual public hearings regarding properties in their neighbourhood, and they expect that the process followed by the Tribunal is open, transparent, and fair to all.

We strongly support the recommendations of the Planning and Housing Committee, that City Council direct the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, and the Chief Building Official conduct an independent public review of the Committee of Adjustment including the establishment of an advisory committee, and public engagement.

We support the recommendation that the review: investigates and addresses residents' concerns with the current processes; considers alternatives to the Committee of Adjustment process for minor variances and severances; reviews and revises the Committee of Adjustment processes based on tribunal best practices, and quality assurance review practices; and includes education and training of Members on both procedures and substance of the Committee mandate.

We support the recommendation that City Council request that the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, report back to the Planning and Housing Committee on: other available options to provide notice to residential tenants for Committee of Adjustment applications; the availability and quality of data that identifies residential tenants, and any information technology and programming requirements needed to provide such notice.

Respectfully,
Maureen Kapral, Vice-President
Lytton Park Residents' Organization

- c: Gregg Lintern, Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, gregg.lintern@toronto.ca
- Will Johnston, Chief Building Official
- Michael Mizzi, Director, Zoning and Committee of Adjustment
- Councillor Mike Colle, Ward 8

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