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City of Toronto
General Government & Licensing Committee
10th Floor, West Tower, City Hall
100 Queen Street
Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N2

RE: 2 BLOOR EAST & 90 BLOOR EAST FOR THE BLOOR-YONGE CAPACITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – STAGE 1 (ITEM GL29.10)

As joint owner of the above noted property with Brookfield Properties we write with regard to Item No. GL29.10. When we filed our application for SPA for the **W Hotel**, approximately three years ago, we were approached by the TTC who brought to our attention the future plans for the increase capacity of the Bloor-Yonge station. For the past two years, we have been meeting with Brookfield in joint meetings with the TTC as well as individual meetings when staff felt it best to have a dialogue with us directly. It has always been our intent to work in a cooperative manner with the TTC as we realize the importance of the station and the need for increasing station capacity.

Through our meetings, it became apparent that the work to be undertaken was going to be complex and that all parties would need to work together in order to minimize the risk as we move forward. When we worked with City staff on the Hotel, we considered the improvement as being the first step in not only updating the building but to create a contiguous retail frontage at street level thereby bringing animation to the street.

While we acknowledge that the process is now at Stage 1, we must admit that we were not expecting a Report for Action to be brought to the GG&LC without notification being sent to us first. Our willingness to work with the TTC is well documented and although the report is a formality required to seek authorization by both the Committee and next month City Council, it is our desire to have City staff work with both Brookfield and us with the objective of arriving at an equitable solution without the need for expropriation. We have a variety of tenants including residential, hotel and commercial/retail occupying the property and we need to consider their needs as well, as we move through the next steps in the overall process that is expected to take the next eight years or more to complete.

We respectfully ask that the Committee instruct staff to exhaust all avenues of negotiation without going through the process of expropriation.

Yours sincerely,

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per:

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Director of Development

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Councillor M. Layton