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Councillor Toronto-Danforth Ward 14

October 14, 2021

Councillor Ana Bailão
Chair, Planning and Housing Committee
City of Toronto

Dear Chair and Members,

Re: RentSafeTO

As you know, RentSafeTO is an important City program that is critical to the safety and viability of the homes of many Toronto residents.

Major changes were made to this program in December 2020 as a result of a Staff report and Council deliberations on PH 19.6 RentSafeTO. In recommendation 14 in that item, Council requested the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards to provide annual reporting on RentSafeTO.

In March 2, 2021, this Committee requested the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards to report to its May 20, 2021 meeting on their approach to the new system Council approved in December 2020 for RentSafeTO; and what, if any, further measures were required for the success of the program. City Staff advised that they were unable to meet that deadline.

City Council, in Item MM36.13 Fixing Service Gaps in RentSafeTO, on October 1 and 4, 2021, directed the Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards to report back to the Planning and Housing Committee in the first quarter of 2022 on the status of initiatives Council requested to address service gaps in RentSafeTO.

It would be helpful to get a general update on the RentSafeTO program that would include, but not be limited to, the above noted requests made by this Committee and Council.

I would ask the Committee to approve the following:

The Planning and Housing Committee requests:

1. The Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards include in the report requested by Council as part of Item MM36.13; the annual report requested by Council in PH 19.6 RentSafeTO and the requests by the Planning and Housing Committee in PH21.12 RentSafeTO; and that report be brought to the February 15, 2022 meeting of the Planning and Housing Committee.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Paula Fletcher, City Councillor
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