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#### WITH PREJUDICE

January 25, 2023

#### **VIA EMAIL**

Kasia Czajkowski Solicitor, Planning & Administrative Tribunal Law City of Toronto, Legal Services Division Metro Hall, 26th Floor 55 John Street Toronto, ON M5V 3C6

Dear Ms. Czajkowski:

RE: 10 Ruddington Drive, City of Toronto Application for Zoning By-law Amendment City File No. 20 230695 NNY 17 OZ Ontario Land Tribunal Case No. 22-001924 <u>With Prejudice Settlement Offer</u>

We are the solicitors for Novi Properties Inc. ("**Novi Properties**"), being the owner of the property municipally known as 10 Ruddington Drive (the "**Site**"). This letter constitutes our client's offer to settle the appeal filed in respect of the above-noted application for a Zoning By-law Amendment.

#### The Subject Site

The Site is located on the northeast corner of Ruddington Drive and Bayview Avenue with a frontage of approximately 72.2 metres along Bayview Avenue and approximately 264.7 metres along Ruddington Drive. The Site has a total lot area of approximately 1.4 hectares (3.46 acres) and is currently occupied by a 13-storey rental apartment building which is proposed to be retained in situ.

The Site has access to surface transit services along Bayview Avenue, Cummer Avenue and Finch Avenue East. Bus routes along each of these arterial roads connect with the TTC Yonge-University-Spadina Line (southwest of the Subject Site) and the Old Cummer GO Station (east of the Subject Site).

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#### Site-Specific Application and Appeal

On December 18, 2020, Novi Properties filed an application for a Zoning By-law Amendment identified as City File No. 20 230695 NNY 17 OZ (the "**Application**"). The Application was deemed complete by the City on December 31, 2020. As originally submitted, the Application proposed a 14-storey building fronting on Bayview Avenue, a 10-storey building fronting on Ruddington Drive, and an on-site parkland dedication.

On December 23, 2021, Novi Properties appealed the Application to the Ontario Land Tribunal (the "**Tribunal**") pursuant to Section 34(11) of the *Planning Act*, on the basis of City Council's refusal or neglect to make a decision within the statutory timeline (the "**Appeal**"). On July 11, 2022, the Tribunal held the first Case Management Conference in respect of the Appeal. At that time, the Tribunal was advised that the City and Novi Properties were interested in pursuing Tribunal-led mediation to attempt to resolve any issues that the City had with the proposed development.

#### Mediation and Settlement Proposal

The Appeal has been the subject of extensive mediation efforts between the parties, including four days of Tribunal-led mediation which were held on December 5, 12, 13, and 20, 2022. As a result of the mediation, our client is offering to settle the Appeal by modifying the proposed development and implementing Application in accordance with, and to permit the form of development shown on, the architectural plans prepared by Studio A/C (dated January 17, 2023), a copy of which is attached as Appendix A (the "**Settlement Proposal**").

The Settlement Proposal continues to reflect our client's commitment to retain the existing 13-storey apartment building on the Site. In response to issues raised by the City, the original proposal has been revised to reduce the scale of the building along Bayview Avenue from 14-storeys to 13-storeys with two 10-storey "wing" components at the north and south ends of the building, including stepping back the building above the 10<sup>th</sup> storey a minimum of 3 metres, and the mechanical penthouse to be set back from the edge of all sides of the building as generally shown on the architectural plans, with a height of approximately 4.5 metres. In addition, the 10-storey building along Ruddington Avenue has been replaced by 24 townhouse units.

The Settlement Proposal also includes a 741.2 m<sup>2</sup> realigned parkland dedication at the north-east corner of the Site, which constitutes 10% of the net site, with a minimum frontage on Ruddington Drive of 20 metres. A number of pedestrian connections linking the proposed 13-storey Bayview building, the existing 13-storey apartment building, the 24 townhouse units and the parkland have been created.

The Bayview building will meet the Growing Up Urban Design Guidelines through the provision of 10% 3 bedroom units and 15% 2 bedroom units.



The Settlement Proposal is the product of considerable efforts that have been made by both parties, and it is our understanding that City Staff is now satisfied with the revised proposal.

#### Implementation of Proposed Settlement

As part of our discussions, Novi Properties and City Staff have agreed that if the Settlement Offer is accepted by City Council, the parties will jointly seek to have the Case Management Conference scheduled for March 6, 2023 converted to a one-day settlement hearing (the "**Settlement Hearing**").

At the Settlement Hearing, the parties will jointly request that the Tribunal withhold its final Order in respect of the Appeal until it has been advised that the list of preconditions attached as Appendix B have been satisfied (the "**Preconditions**"). If the Settlement Offer is accepted by City Council, the parties will work expeditiously to satisfy the Preconditions.

This Settlement Offer is open until the end of the City Council meeting commencing on February 7, 2023, following which it will become null and void if not accepted.

Yours truly, Overland LLP

Per: Daniel B. Artenosi Partner

Encl.

c. D. Ezer, Novi Properties Inc.

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### Appendix "A"

Architectural Plans prepared by Studio AC dated January 17, 2023





#### BAYVIEW BUILDING

SOUTH ELEVATION (BAYVIEW)

Office Address

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#### Appendix "B"

#### List of Preconditions to be submitted to Ontario Land Tribunal

In the event the Ontario Land Tribunal allows the appeal, in whole or in part, the Ontario Land Tribunal withholds its Order on the Zoning By-law Amendment until such time as the Tribunal has been advised by the City Solicitor that:

- The proposed Zoning By-law Amendment to City of Toronto Zoning By-law No. 569-2013 is in a final form satisfactory to the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, and the City Solicitor;
- 2. The Applicant has at its own expense:
  - a) Submitted a revised Functional Servicing Report, including a Stormwater Management Report, Hydrogeological Report and Geotechnical Plan, to the satisfaction of the Chief Engineer and Executive Director, Engineering and Construction Services;
  - b) Submitted a revised Transportation Impact Study and Transportation Demand Management Study to the satisfaction of the General Manager, Transportation Services and the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning;
  - c) Submitted a Computational Fluid Dynamics Wind Study to the satisfaction of the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, with any mitigation measures, if required, to be secured and satisfied through the site plan approval process to the satisfaction of the Chief Planner and Executive Director;
  - d) Submitted a revised Electromagnetic Field Study and Electromagnetic Field Management Plan in accordance with the letter from Toronto Public Health dated November 29, 2022, to the satisfaction of the Chief Medical Officer, with any mitigation measures, if required, to be satisfied through the site plan approval process;
  - e) Submitted a revised Arborist's Report, Tree Preservation Plan and Soil Volume Plan to the satisfaction of the General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Forestry;



- f) Registered or authorized the City to register a Section 118 Restriction on title to the Parkland and the townhouse block, to the satisfaction of the General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, and the City Solicitor, with the conveyance of the parkland to be secured through the site plan process to take place prior to the issuance of the first above-grade building permit for the townhouse block, and subject to the Owner retaining a right to occupy the parkland for staging during construction of the townhouses, with the final build-out of the parkland to base park standards to be completed prior to the earlier of: (i) three (3) years after the conveyance of the parkland, and (ii) condo registration; and
- g) Conducted a Tenant Rental Improvement Survey in collaboration with City Housing Staff, indicating which improvements will happen to the existing building and on what timeline, to the satisfaction of the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning.