

February 28, 2023

Dear Councillor Bradford, Chair and
Members of the Planning & Housing Committee,

RE: PH2.9 – Villiers Island – Affordable Housing Update

On behalf of the East Waterfront Community Association (EWCA), I am writing to support the recommendations by City of Toronto, CreateTO, and Waterfront Toronto to increase the density in Villiers Island to build 20 - 30% more affordable housing in complete communities with amenities and services within a five-minute walk.

Affordable housing needs affordable means of transportation to enable residents to commute to their jobs. It is therefore important that funding for the Waterfront East LRT be secured soon to enable it to be built in time to serve the needs of these communities.

We thank you for exploring this affordable housing initiative for Villiers Island to meet the urgent need for more affordable housing to make the eastern part of the waterfront an inclusive and vibrant community for all to work, live and play.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

David Chan

President

East Waterfront Community Association