



OLIVIA CHOW MAYOR

July 23, 2025

Dear Members of Council,

RE: Letter to the Federal Minister of Housing

In my role as Mayor, I am in regular dialogue with other orders of government regarding shared priorities. In my recent discussions with our federal Minister of Housing, Gregor Robertson, I have taken the opportunity to highlight the landmark work underway to build more housing in Toronto.

The attached letter details the current actions by the City of Toronto to build more housing, from speeding up development approvals, to getting shovels in the ground, expanding permissions for more housing, and protecting renters.

There is much work underway and we should be proud to share how we are taking action to address the housing crisis. To share this work with the Minister, I will be moving the recommendation below as an amendment to PH23.5 - From Concept to Construction: Creating More Homes Across the Housing Continuum.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. City Council direct the City Manager to transmit the communication submitted by Mayor Olivia Chow on PH23.5 to the federal Minister of Housing and add any appropriate updates to that communication based on relevant decisions taken at the July 23-25 meeting of Toronto City Council.

Sincerely,

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Olivia Chow
Mayor of Toronto

Enclosure: Letter to Minister Robertson