

May 2, 2025

Dear Planning and Housing Committee,

RE: PH21.3 - Development Application Fee Review - Holding Bylaw Application Fee

Building more housing is one of my top priorities, and there has been extensive work at the City of Toronto to make planning approvals faster and more efficient - reducing costs for home builders.

Holding provisions are an important tool for advancing development approvals more quickly and efficiently on some sites. While I understand the City's costs for this process have increased, we need to look at any potential fee increase within the context of challenging market conditions for building housing people can afford. I recommend that we do not raise this development fee.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Amend Attachment 1, Recommended Fee Schedule - Municipal Code Chapter 441, Fees and Charges, Appendix C - Schedule 13, by deleting the dollar value of "\$186,822.48" in Ref No. 4 – Application Fee for Holding By-law Amendment – and replacing it with the following dollar value: "\$48,898.28".

Sincerely,

Olivia Chow

Mayor of Toronto