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From:
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To:
Members of Planning Committee
City of Hamilton
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WE HBA Letter: Hamilton Permit Reform Process Motion

The West End Home Builders' Association ("WE HBA") is the voice of the land development, new housing and professional renovation industries in Hamilton, Burlington, and Grimsby. WE HBA represents 320 member companies made up of all disciplines involved in land development and residential construction.

WE HBA appreciates the motion brought forward today by Councillor Maureen Wilson requesting Planning and Economic Development and Public Works staff "develop an action plan to improve the timeliness, efficiency, customer service and accessible navigation of the development approvals and building permit processes to facilitate the construction of new housing supply". Our members have increasingly faced process challenges in Hamilton, and this is a positive opportunity to address these issues and find efficiencies. WE HBA appreciates leadership from the Councillor in putting forward this motion, and the industry looks forward to assisting in informing the scope of the review and action plan. We are eager to work collaboratively with Council to ensure Hamilton is an attractive place for investment in housing supply and for jobs in construction as we work together to achieve Hamilton's housing target of 47,000 new homes by 2031.

Sincerely,

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