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Attention: Mayor Goldring and Members of Council

Dear Sirs and Mesdames:

Re: City of Burlington Official Plan

We are legal counsel to Adi Development Group Inc. with respect to their property interests within the City of Burlington.

We are writing in connection with Staff Report PB47-17, the New City of Burlington Draft Official Plan Amendment.

At this time, we have concerns with a significant number of the policies. However, in order to substantiate our concerns in a submission to Council, we requested from staff copies of all of the background information which should have been prepared in support of the draft policies. In response to this request, staff advised us as recently as Thursday, August 31, 2017 that they are not willing to provide the required background information in support of the policies, advising that this work is not yet finalized.

Additionally, in performing its decision making function, Council should be privy to all of the background information through public staff reports to ensure that the policies that they are being asked to approve are in fact even achievable.

As such, it is our submission that until the background information is made available to the public in support of the policies, any decision on the proposed Official Plan is premature. Therefore, it is our request of Council that staff be directed to release all of the background information and studies prepared in support of the draft Official Plan to the public forthwith so that all interested parties can make informed submissions with respect to the proposed Official Plan.

Additionally, please ensure that the undersigned is provided with copies of all decisions and further meeting notifications with respect to the proposed City of Burlington Official Plan.

Yours truly,

WeirFoulds LLP

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Denise Baker

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