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Via email (cityclerks@burlington.ca; jo-anne.rudy@burlington.ca)

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Mayor and Members of Council City of Burlington 426 Brant Street PO Box 5013 Burlington, Ontario L7R 3Z6

Attention: Jo-Anne Rudy, Committee Clerk

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

Re: Proposed Amendments to the Official Plan and Zoning By-law arising from the study for lands identified in Interim Control By-law 10-2019 Special Council Meeting on January 30, 2020

On January 13, 2020, we filed a submission on behalf of our client, Wal-Mart Canada Corp, in respect of Staff Report PL-01-20, which was the subject of a statutory public meeting at the Community Planning, Regulation and Mobility Committee on January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Yesterday, we received notification that the Planning Department has revised its recommendations in Staff Report PL-01-20 and is recommending substantial changes to the proposed amendments to the official plan and zoning by-law. The revised report and modified amendments will be considered at a Special Council meeting tomorrow morning.

It is very disappointing that the interested parties have been given so little time to review these materials prior to the Special Council meeting. We believe it would be appropriate for the revised report to be sent back to a regularly scheduled Community Planning, Regulation and Mobility Committee meeting to allow for further public input.

While we have not yet had time to consider the recommended changes in detail, we have a question about one of the new proposed policies. Proposed policy 7.2.3.2(h)(x) indicates that intensification development applications in the Burlington GO MTSA should provide for on-site transportation connections that contribute to the achievement of a mid-block transportation connection. While this requirement might be appropriate in conjunction with a development application to facilitate

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a complete redevelopment of our client's site, can it be assumed that an application for a minor expansion or addition to the existing Walmart store would not trigger this requirement?

We of course reserve the right to provide further comments once we have had an opportunity to review staff's revised report and modified amendments in detail and would strongly encourage Council not to make a decision on the proposed amendments until there has been an adequate opportunity for the interested parties to review the new material.

Yours truly,

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