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Attention: Chair and Members of the Committee of the Whole

RE: Report Number: PB-84-16 Grow Bold: Changing the City's Official Plan Review to Burlington's New Official Plan Project

We are SmartREIT, owners of 2 separate parcels totaling approximately 32.7 acres of commercial property. The properties are municipally known as 4515 Dundas Street and 3011 Appleby Line and are located at the north west and north east corners of the intersection of Appleby Line and Dundas Street. We also act on behalf of Retrocom REIT who are owners of a 23 acre commercial property municipally known as 3060 Davidson Court and located at the south east corner of Guelph Line and Davidson Court.

We have been actively participating in the City's on-going Official Plan Review and together with our planning consultants (GSP Group Inc.) have previously submitted comments with respect to the following:

- Commercial Strategy Study and Employment Lands Review (October 29, 2014);
- Proposed Employment Lands Policy Directions (January 23, 2015); and
- Proposed Commercial Lands Policy Directions (February 6, 2015);

We understand that Staff are now recommending that the Official Plan Review process be closed and that the process to prepare a new Official Plan be initiated. The preparation of a new Official Plan is warranted due to the need for an expanded scope of work and in response to new City, Regional and Provincial policy directions.

Further, we understand that Staff are recommending that all studies, staff reports and community feedback previously completed as part of the Official Plan Review be considered within the New Official Plan process. We are in support of this recommendation and look forward to working with Staff through the policy formulation process. We continue to be available for any further discussions regarding our previously submitted comments.

Sincerely,

Todd Pierce
Director, Land Development