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**COMMUNICATION – C21
ITEM 4
Committee of the Whole (Public Meeting)
October 6, 2020**

Attention: Council Members

Dear Sirs/Mesdames:

Re: Official Plan Amendment and Rezoning Applications By 1529749 Ontario Inc. (the Torgan Group), 7700 Bathurst Street; City File Nos. OP.16.006 and Z.20.019; Preliminary Comments by Promenade Limited Partnership

We are solicitors for Promenade Limited Partnership (“PLP”), the owner of the Promenade Shopping Centre site, municipally known as 1 and 180 Promenade Circle. PLP is hereby providing comments on the above-noted applications by The Torgan Group (the “Applicant”).

Background re: Promenade Phase 1 Development

On June 12, 2019, City of Vaughan Council adopted Official Plan Amendment No. 46 and enacted By-Law No. 105-2019 to permit the Phase 1 redevelopment of the Promenade Shopping Centre site, with 30 and 35-storey residential apartment buildings connected by a 7-storey podium with at-grade retail and a 26-storey mixed-use building comprised of office, hotel and retail uses (the “Promenade Phase 1 Development”).

On September 29, 2020, Vaughan Council enacted By-Law No. 125-2020, to remove the Holding Symbol (“H”) for the Promenade Phase 1 Development lands. As part of this H removal process, it was determined that downstream sanitary sewer improvements are not required for the Promenade Phase 1 Development. PLP was nonetheless required to provide a letter of credit in the amount of \$455,000 as security for a financial contribution towards the ultimate servicing strategy for the Promenade Secondary Plan service area, which may include the Applicant’s lands.

Comments on The Torgan Applications for 7700 Bathurst Street

Official plan amendment and rezoning applications have been submitted by 1529749 Ontario Inc. (The Torgan Group) for 7700 Bathurst Street, at the southwest corner of Centre Street and Bathurst

Street, and adjacent to and abutting the Promenade Shopping Centre site. The applications seek permission for a Phase 1 development consisting of a 30-storey mixed-use building and a 28-storey residential apartment building connected by a 1-storey lobby and a 2-storey medical office and commercial building (the “Torgan Phase 1 Development”).

At this time, PLP has no immediate concerns with the proposed density, height and uses of the Torgan Phase 1 Development. However, PLP does have concerns with the proposed servicing for the Torgan Phase 1 Development. The Applicant’s lands currently have limited sanitary capacity and the proposal to utilize private services within PLP’s lands would dramatically affect PLP’s future development plans.

The Functional Servicing Report (FSR) for the development indicates that sanitary servicing is proposed to be accommodated by the existing 250mm sanitary pipe on Promenade Circle. The report also notes that there are “known sanitary sewer capacity issues in the downstream sanitary sewer network”.

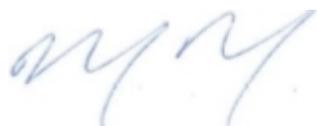
The existing 250mm sanitary sewer within Promenade Circle is a private sewer owned by PLP. There is no registered easement or cost-sharing arrangement in place that entitles The Torgan Group to utilize this existing sewer for its Phase 1 development, or for its current use for that matter.

Before approving the Torgan Phase 1 applications, the City should ensure that there is a servicing approach for the development that does not rely on private services owned by PLP, or alternatively confirm that The Torgan Group has secured the necessary easements and cost-sharing arrangements from PLP that could potentially enable it to utilize the private services and other infrastructure within Promenade Circle. The City should also secure an appropriate financial contribution from The Torgan Group towards the ultimate servicing strategy for the Promenade Secondary Plan service area.

Please provide us with copies of any future notices or decisions with respect to the Torgan Phase 1 applications.

Yours very truly,

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