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Dear Housing Task Force Members,

It is an honour for Edenshaw to have participated in the Mayor's Housing Task Force, working alongside such esteemed colleagues and partners. We would like to first express our gratitude to Mayor Carolyn Parrish and Deputy Mayor Matt Mahoney for their leadership in convening this task force. Their commitment to addressing Mississauga's housing challenges head-on is inspiring, and it is a testament to their dedication to the future of our city.

The housing crisis we face in Mississauga is a reality that impacts families, communities, and the very fabric of our city. The need for more affordable, accessible, and sustainable housing has never been more urgent. As we know, housing is not just a basic necessity – it is the cornerstone of vibrant, thriving communities. Together, we are taking a critical step forward in addressing this issue.

We are proud to be part of a group of developers, city planners, and professionals who are all deeply committed to finding innovative solutions. The focus of this task force was clear: to streamline housing approvals, increase supply, and make sure that the homes we build are more affordable.

One of the key outcomes we are striving for is efficiency. We all understand that the approval processes, though well-intentioned, can be cumbersome and slow down the delivery of much-needed homes. Any efficiencies found in the approval process will transmit into shorter project durations and as we all know, time is money so any cost savings will transmit into more affordable housing. By identifying ways to accelerate development approvals while maintaining the necessary safeguards, we can ensure that we meet the growing demand for housing without sacrificing quality.

At Edenshaw, we are particularly excited about the potential to collaborate with the Task Force members to identify incentives that will allow us to deliver homes at lower costs. As an example, Development Charges are a major cost of a home and the revisions proposed to these development charges will transmit into housing being more affordable in Mississauga. We know that the solutions we seek cannot be one-size-fits-all. The housing market is complex, and it is critical that we provide a variety of housing options that cater to different income levels, family sizes, and lifestyles. The input from everyone on the task force will guide us in crafting policies and strategies that can truly transform the housing landscape in Mississauga.



The Residential development industry has demonstrated its desire to be part of the solution of our housing crisis by collaborating with the City of Mississauga. We also recognize that the solutions are not just local but require the involvement and action on behalf of the Peel Region and both the Provincial and Federal governments. We applaud the Mayor for involving these other levels of government and her insistence that they contribute their share in a meaningful way.

To the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, and all of my fellow task force members, I thank you for your collaboration and vision. The work we are doing will lay the foundation for the future of Mississauga – a future where families can thrive in affordable, well-designed homes, and where the city's growth is managed responsibly and sustainably.

Together, we can ensure that Mississauga continues to be a city that offers opportunity, community, and a place to call home for everyone.

Warm Regards,

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