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Committee of the Whole
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Members of the Committee of the Whole

Dear Sirs/Madams:

**Re: 2018 DEVELOPMENT CHARGE BACKGROUND STUDY & BY-LAW AMENDMENT
March 22, 2018 Committee of the Whole Agenda Item C
Berczy Glen Landowners Group**

We are the lawyers for the Berczy Glen Landowners Group Inc. (“**BGLG**”). BGLG is a developer group comprised of several independent landholdings, totalling 250 hectares. Their lands constitute the vast majority of the concession block located in the northern area of the City of Markham, and are bounded by Warden Avenue on the east, Elgin Mills Road East on the north, a hydro corridor east of Woodbine Avenue on the west, and existing residential uses along Major Mackenzie Drive East on the south (the “**BGLG Lands**”). The BGLG Lands are within the settlement area of the Region of York Official Plan, and are designated Future Neighbourhood Area in the City of Markham (the “**City**”) Official Plan. An official plan amendment application is currently in process at the City to establish a secondary plan for the concession block containing the BGLG Lands.

BGLG appealed the Region’s Development Charges By-law No. 2017-35 (the “**2017 DC By-law**”), which is being held in abeyance by the Ontario Municipal Board and has not been scheduled for any prehearings or hearings. The basis for the appeal was primarily the omission of key transportation projects required to support the growth anticipated for Markham’s Future Urban Area, including the BGLG Lands.

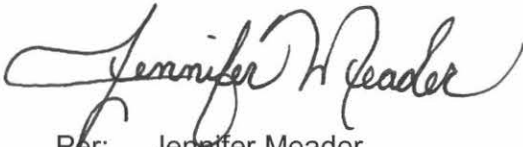
We have reviewed the Draft 2018 Development Charge Background Study and Proposed Draft By-law Amendment. We are writing to express our client’s support for the recommendations contained in the Background Study and the proposed amendment to the DC By-law. In

particular, BGLG is in support of amending the 2017 DC By-law to include all of the projects that had previously been carried on the 'Contingency Schedule'.

BGLG respectfully requests that Council adopt the recommendations of Staff and approve the proposed DC By-law Amendment. We thank you in advance for your consideration of this correspondence.

Yours truly,

WeirFoulds LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jennifer Meader". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'J'.

Per: Jennifer Meader

JM/LB