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Lee Ann Snedden  
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**RE: Site Plan Control By-law Review**

Dear Ms. Snedden,

On behalf of the Greater Ottawa Home Builders' Association (GOHBA), I wanted to provide you with our thanks and support for the report going to the City of Ottawa's Planning Committee on February 14, 2019, regarding the City's review of its Site Plan Control By-law.

This report represents over two years of work and consultation with the residential construction industry and other stakeholders. The report implements a number of conclusions from our working group discussions as well as a few technical updates. We appreciate city staff's dedication to open dialogue on the myriad of issues that the By-law covers, and their efforts to produce a By-law that balances the objectives of the City and industry. Most importantly, we expect the By-law to improve the timeliness of building homes.

At the beginning of this work GOHBA indicated that simplifying and streamlining site plan applications should be a key goal, and we appreciate the City's commitment to that goal.

We look forward to continuing to work with city staff on Phase 2 of the review to address outstanding items, including continued improvement of the Site Plan Control process and timeframes, as well as the creation of a list of standard conditions.

This collaborative approach will ensure that the By-law and related processes work best for the City, for industry, and for the residents of Ottawa.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

cc: Lily Xu, Program Manager, Land Management System, Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development, City of Ottawa  
David Renfroe, GOHBA Builder Developer Council Chair