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**Attention: Ryan Smith**

**Subject: Development Application Fee Update**

The Urban Development Institute (UDI) is a national association (with international affiliations) of the development industry and its related professions. The corporate members of the UDI - Okanagan Chapter represent hundreds of individuals involved in all facets of land development and planning, including: developers, property managers, financial lenders, lawyers, engineers, planners, architects, appraisers, real estate professionals, local governments and government agencies.

As a Partner in Community Building, the UDI Okanagan Chapter is committed to working with communities and governments to create and achieve the vision of balanced, well-planned, sustainable and affordable communities.

Thank you for recently meeting with UDI Okanagan representatives to go over the proposed Development Application Fees. As noted at the meeting, we are generally supportive of the direction that the City is going with these fees and do not have any material concerns at this time.

We have no further feedback beyond member comments discussed at the meeting and are pleased that the City will consider the 'bundling' of fees on a case by case basis as frequently as can be accommodated. We would also like to reiterate our suggestion of allowing an applicant to pay for a contract planner when an applicant requests to do so and where the size and complexity of the development would warrant this. Finally, we hope that these adjustments, increases and new fees will be satisfactory for the coming years and this avoids recurrent fee reviews.

Thank you again for including us in this review process. It is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

**URBAN DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE OKANAGAN CHAPTER**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Gaucher', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Per: Andrew Gaucher, Chair of UDI Okanagan