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via email: cityclerks@barrie.ca

Attention: Wendy Cooke
City Clerk/Director of Legislative & Court Services

RE: **File # A3 251203 Memo – Development Charge and Cash-in-lieu of
Parkland Rates Indexed for January 1, 2026 (Wards-All)**

We would like to thank staff for issuing the above noted memo regarding development charge (DC) indexing rates for January 1, 2026. We understand that indexing of development charge rates is regulated and prescribed by the Development Charges Act, though we would like to take this opportunity to kindly ask the Mayor and Members of Council to consider waiving the requirement of indexing DCs on January 1, 2026.

We are all aware of the extremely challenging economic and housing environment that we are currently in, and we feel that any opportunity to reduce or avoid increasing the cost of residential development and house construction should be explored at this time. Waiving the indexing of DCs on January 1st is one opportunity to avoid an increase to DCs and the cost of residential development. Through Bill 17, the DC Act was amended to allow for municipalities to amend their DC by-laws by way of a simplified process, and one such amendment can be the waiver of indexing.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Albanese".

David Albanese
Director, GTA Land Development
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cc via email: Marc Villeneuve, City of Barrie
Jeff Schmidt, City of Barrie
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