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Mayor D. Cousens and Members of Council Town of Markham 101 Town Centre Blvd Markham, Ontario L3R 9W3

Dear Mayor Cousens and Members of Council:

Re: 1691126 Ontario Inc. (Liberty Development Corporation) re 7171 and 7161 Yonge Street - File OP 06-127138 and ZA 06-127273

We represent 1691126 Ontario Inc., (Liberty) in respect of the above noted applications and report by your Planning Department submitted to your Development Services Committee on November 21, 2006.

Liberty wishes to bring to the attention of Council its observations and suggestions on the Report.

At page 6 of the draft Terms of Reference attached to the report, the word, "ancillary" should be deleted, so the Study is not unduly limited. During my appearance at Committee, Mr. Baird indicated to Committee that he was content with this request and I ask that this change be reflected in the final version of the Terms of Reference.

Liberty has existing leases on the present retail buildings that expire in June 2008, and need to be in a position to demolish those buildings and commence construction of the new project in a timely way. In this context the timeframe for the Yonge – Steeles Corridor Study anticipated to be finished in November 2007 is too long.

Liberty submits that it should be possible to complete the Yonge - Steeles Corridor Study, in its entirety, by the end of May 2007 or thereabouts so the necessary official plan and zoning by-law amendments can be brought forward in 2007 to enable enough lead time to start construction by mid-2008.



I suggest that many qualified consultants will respond to your RFP with a May 2007 completion date, if this timing is indicated at the outset.

Yours sincerely,

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