

Yukon Legislative Assembly

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Hon. John Streicker Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources P.O. Box 2703 Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6

Dear Minister Streicker,

Thank you for your letter of January 9, 2023 regarding changes to the transfer of land title process.

While I appreciate that your goal is one of continual improvement and ensuring transparency and consistency, it seems that this change in policy may actually harm the housing development industry. I would appreciate if you could provide more information about the decision making that led to this policy change. You have suggested that this came as a result of discussions with the City of Whitehorse; can you confirm whether or not the City of Whitehorse recommended or requested this policy change? Were any other governments, businesses, organizations, or the public consulted about this change? When did the change formally take place?

Furthermore, we understand that in addition to the policy change that you described, policy changes have resulted in a new 30-day period between receipt of the occupancy permit and the request for transfer of title. Can you please explain this policy change, what consultation was conducted, and when the policy came into effect?

Would you consider temporarily reverting to the former policies and conducting further consultation to assess the implications of these changes?

Sincerely,

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