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**Attention: Mr. James Moore**

**Subject: Public Consultation Policy**

Dear Mr. Moore:

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.

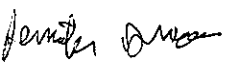
As a Partner in Community Building, the UDI is committed to working with communities and governments to create and achieve the vision of balanced, well-planned, sustainable and affordable communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on the Public Consultation process review initiated by the City of Kelowna. In regards to this subject, we are reassured by the City's willingness to put forward the new guidelines as policy rather than as bylaw. Effective public consultation will vary depending on the project. Under a bylaw regime, there lacks flexibility to tailor the consultation strategy. By moving this forward as a Council Policy document, each applicant will have a "menu" of strategies to best address public consultation.

We thank you for the effort put in by City staff to recognize the merits of our recommendations and look forward to seeing the policy document completed.

Kind Regards,

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for Renée Wasylyk  
Okanagan Chapter President

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