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City of London
Chair and Members
of the Planning and Environmental Committee
300 Dufferin Avenue
London, ON N6A 4L9

RIVERBEND SOUTH PLANNING AREA

Dear Chair and Members of the Planning and Environment Committee:

We are the owners of the property on 1478 Westdel Bourne, London, since 1986 and we are part of the Riverbend South Planning Area.

To our great astonishment we learned that Mr. John F. Fleming, the Managing Director, Planning and City Planner, is proposing to change the Urban Growth Boundary by removing the Riverbend South Planning Area from the Urban Reserve Community Growth.

We would like to bring to your attention that the planning process for these lands began nearly twelve years ago. During all of these years Sifton Properties Ltd. Worked, in our name too, trustingly with the staff members of the Department of Planning and Development of the City of London.

Due to new By-laws and other regulations (Environment, Storm Sewer Management etc.) the planning process required many adjustments. In 2009 the City of London commenced the Storm Water Management EA for Tributary C and it took almost five years to completion. This means that the Secondary Area Plan for Riverbend South can now be finished in early 2014. And by 2016 all mayor works for Riverbend South are budgeted to be built. Water and sanitary infrastructure will also be available for all of these lands south of Oxford Street.

Furthermore on July 30, 2013 the Council of the Corporation of the City of London adopted unanimously the following motion: That on the recommendation of the Manager, Development Services and Planning Liaison, the Terms of Reference, as appended to the staff report dated July 23, 2013, to guide the process and preparation of the River Bend South Secondary Plan.

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The content of File O-7938 is contradictory to the adopted motion.

With the removal of Riverbend South from the Urban Reserve Community Growth many years of work, costly planning and preparation would suddenly end up in a waste basket!

We believe the Council of the City of London can do better and we always had the impression that trust and fairness are part of the guidelines of the City of London and the City Councillors.

We also know that the preparing of an Area Plan takes extensive effort. But we strongly believe that the City is willing to solve problems together with the applicants in good faith!

Therefore, with all due respect, we kindly ask you not to change the UGB in the Riverbend Area.

Sincerely

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c. His Worship Mayor Joe Fontana Phil Masschelein, Sifton Properties Ltd. Councillor Dale Henderson