Be advised that the Town of Oakville has provided additional information on its level of service related to building and permitting, development engineering, and planning, which BILD understands has been drastically reduced.

We continue to engage Council and Town Staff in conversations on opening their services and ensure their level of service aligns with what is being provided at the Region of Halton and its local area municipalities, who continue to operate services remotely. A letter in this respect has been shared with the Mayor, Council members and Town staff. This letter specifically advocates that services for Building, Engineering and Planning re-open and that all new and existing applications are processed according to COVID-19 safety measures. Furthermore, given the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has made on the Town's services and associated delays in our members' ability to receive their building permits, BILD also requests Town Council not impose the scheduled April 1st indexing to development charges rates until the situation has stabilized. Doing so would support future housing affordability, the local economy and future backlogs in the system.

Additionally, detailed below for members is the state of services:

1. Building Services & Permit Applications:

- Inspections of unoccupied buildings for new building construction
- Investigations/inspections of unsafe buildings
- Review of existing permits
- New building permit applications are not being accepted at this time. Staff are currently working on reviews of active permit applications submitted before March 18.

2. Development Engineering

- Work on active town construction projects will continue as scheduled
- Final inspections for engineering permits (such as site alteration, pool works, road cuts, etc.).

3. Planning

- Time sensitive existing applications only

Should new information come to light and changes be made to these services, BILD will advise the Chapter accordingly. Please see the Town's COVID-19 webpage for full details.