

Members of the BILD Toronto Chapter:

As we navigate through the current COVID-19 situation, please be advised that BILD has been advocating for Toronto Planning and Building services to return to work in a remote or in a safe social physical distancing way. As per recent conversations with the Chief Planner, the City has now updated its planning services contingency plans as per the message below.

Know that the Chief Planner has reminded us that planning staff are directed to work from home, and they are in the very early stages of this transition with technology and communication limitations.

The overall context of these modifications is provided on the city's web site at <https://www.toronto.ca/home/covid-19/>.

As you may know, all civic offices are closed to the public. Please note that a further communication from Toronto Building will follow.

If you have any comments or concerns please email Danielle Chin at dchin@bildgta.ca

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City Planning

Current services include:

- Limited reviews of planning applications received on or before March 16.
- Prioritizing:
 - The review of applications that have cleared any Council-related approval and are proceeding through final technical clearances (e.g. site plan approval).
 - Development projects close to occupancy (e.g. draft plans of condominium clearances and registrations).
- Working with applicants' solicitors to register agreements where the agreements can be finalized.
- Committee of Adjustment decision appeals will be accepted electronically. Note: the Province has suspended deadlines for submitting appeals, retroactive to March 16.
 - Should you still wish to submit an appeal it can be done via email.
 - Please send the appeal to both the general email address and the Manager & Deputy Secretary-Treasurer for your district as found on the [Committee of Adjustment webpage](#).
 - Fee payments will be collected after regular service delivery resumes.
- Limited review of Heritage Planning applications received on or before March 16.

Suspended services include:

- Committee of Adjustment meetings have been cancelled and will be rescheduled.
- New applications to the Committee of Adjustment will not be received.
- Updates to the online Application Information Centre will be suspended.
- Design Review Panel meetings have been cancelled and will be rescheduled.