

CITY COUNCILLOR JEFF BOWMAN

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August 6, 2019

Dear Solicitor General Jones,

Thank you for your response from June 26, 2019 regarding my concerns about the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 (FPPA)* and the *Building Code Act, 1992*; and for taking the time to read my original letter to Ontario Premier Doug Ford.

After meeting with the City of Brampton's Fire Chief and Division Chief, we are seeking further clarification on what specific assistance you, your office, the Ministry and the Fire Marshal will provide to the City of Brampton.

From our reading and interpretation of the *FPPA's* new amendments under Bill 100 – *Protecting What Matters Most Act, 2019*, they don't go far enough to address the serious concerns we have been raising, specifically, it still doesn't give the city's Enforcement officers the ability to enter a premises that is suspected of having an illegal basement apartment, and immediately investigate questionable health and safety standards in a home. The *Acts* must be updated accordingly and the proper authority be given to our Enforcement officers.

I'm looking forward to meeting with Minister Clark during the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) conference in Ottawa to further discuss our City's needs and requirements.

And I look forward to our opportunity to meet with you during AMO and discussing these issues in more depth.

Sincerely,

Jeff Bowman

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Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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MPP Amarjot Sandhu
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