

Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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Dear Minister,

On behalf of the industry group Engineers, Architects, and Building Officials (EABO), I would like to congratulate you on your appointment as the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. EABO is pleased to have a long-standing, collaborative relationship with your Ministry, and looks forward to continuing its important work alongside MMAH.

EABO is comprised of representatives from the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies—Ontario (ACEC—Ontario), Ontario Large Municipalities Chief Building Officials (OLMCBO), the Ontario Association of Architects (OAA), the Ontario Building Officials Association (OBOA), and the City of Toronto, Building Department. This group has been in existence since 1993 and works to address issues of mutual interest with a view to finding common ground and developing best practices in our industry. At the core of what we do is the public interest and safety of all Ontarians as it relates to the built environment.

As MMAH continues its collaborative work, EABO is available to serve as a resource to your Ministry. Collectively we can provide input and expertise on a variety of topics, such as Building Code changes, permitting times, and other regulatory matters related to the design and construction industry.

As an example, over the course of last year, EABO had been discussing with MMAH the matter of 'professional coordination' on building projects. EABO believes that professional coordination can help to advance housing affordability and support Canadian industries. Having consistent Building Code requirements for professional coordination can serve to reduce application processing times and provide certainty for Canadian businesses.

We would be happy to meet with you to discuss this important topic, and to bring you up to speed about the other projects that EABO is working on. We will follow up with your staff to arrange a meeting that best suits your schedule.

In the meantime, if you have any questions about the work of EABO or its specific recommendations about professional coordination, please reach out to us at your convenience.

EABO stands ready to work alongside you and your Ministry to advance the public interest.

Sincerely,



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