



October 25, 2024

Edmonton City Council
1 Sir Winston Churchill Square
Edmonton, AB T5J 0R2

RE: Urban Planning Committee Report CS02084 Multi-Unit Residential Building Design

Dear Urban Planning Committee and Members of City Council:

BILD Edmonton Metro is a non-profit organization representing over 500 companies in the building and development industry. Our members are committed to shaping our region to ensure more people and businesses choose to live, invest, and thrive here.

We are pleased that innovation and creativity in building design are being explored through this report. The report clearly outlines that to incorporate single access for a multi-unit building, there is a requirement to provide an alternative solution that is equivalent or better to the Alberta Building Code. This requirement means that a single access design will require a rigorous level of scrutiny to move forward.

The possibility of developing an alternative solution guideline that provides certainty will help more members of the building and development industry make use of point access blocks in their multi-unit residential buildings. Any opportunity to enable creative solutions is welcome.

BILD Edmonton Metro remains committed to providing input and feedback for city initiatives such as this one that diversify housing and allow flexibility in the design and allocation of space within buildings. While challenges remain for alternative solutions to the Alberta Building Code, we appreciate the engagement undertaken to date and are eager to continue working with the City of Edmonton to ensure our industry continues to contribute to building a vibrant and sustainable city.

Thank you for your consideration.



Sincerely,

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Lindsey Butterfield, RPP
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