On Oct 14, 2019, at 9:05 PM, Michael Peiser wrote:

Dear Members of EPC,

I unfortunately could not attend today's meeting due to a family commitment back here in Toronto. I would like to reiterate that we remain 100% committed to the protection of the 24 hour status of the Winnipeg James A Richardson airport. Over the last 18 months we engaged with all applicable stakeholders including WAA. Clearly, we did not correctly interpret the engagement feedback we received from WAA, that we considered positive, and now understand that WAA holds a very different position.

While this is the case, we do believe there is common ground. We are very committed to exploring all measures to ensure protection including those described by Transportation Canada. We are open and committed to undertaking all applicable acoustic engineering and exploring all mitigation mechanisms in consideration of our proposed amendments. We are requesting that our application to amend the Airport Vicinity Plan be advanced to a public hearing to allow for all points including WAA concerns to be raised in a public forum.

A public hearing is the appropriate forum to allow for full representation from the community. We are prepared to continue dialogue with WAA in anticipation of an upcoming public hearing including sharing applicable studies. WAA, like other stakeholders, would be in a position to raise points with the due diligence at that time. It is also very important to keep in mind that the proposed amendments set the stage for another development application process that will involve significant consultation and engagement with all stakeholders including the WAA. That process being the development process is also entirely controlled by the City of Winnipeg, including land use and density.

Finally, I was slightly alarmed that I received a letter from the WAA on Thanksgiving Day evening as a follow up to our meeting two weeks ago. This letter has left us confused as we believed that we were engaging with WAA, being in receipt of shared information from the WAA following our consultation on the idea of introducing residential development to the Polo Park holdings. Again, we understand that we misinterpreted this information but we do want to move forward in the process.

We remain committed to a collaborative planning process with willing stakeholders, including the WAA and believe the public process can accommodate each others needs and concerns. We are asking that the City of Winnipeg follow the process for consideration of changes to the AVP with the next step being 1st reading and directly that a public hearing be held on the matter, where all information can come out and be deliberated appropriately.

Sincerely,
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