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RENTAL HOUSING - CONDITIONS TO BE APPLIED TO DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS TO ENSURE THEIR PROVISION

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The following represents conditions to be attached to development applications which are required to provide rental housing with no rental rate restrictions:

- (1) For developments providing residential rental accommodation, a “prior-to” condition shall be attached to the development application which states:
 - the applicant must enter into a Covenant pursuant to Section 215 of the Land Titles Act that the building not be strata-titled prior to occupancy and that the development be used only for residential rental dwellings, as agreed by the applicant and the City.
- (2) In dealing with development applications where it is required to provide rental housing at a restricted rental rate, such as in zoning districts involving an unacceptable rate of change, and in order to meet the guidelines, a portion of the building would have to be retained as rental accommodation. The following may be required as conditions prerequisite to permit issuance:
 - (a) a registered agreement under Section 215 of the Land Titles Act that the building not be strata-titled prior to occupancy and that the development be used for residential rental dwellings only at “moderate” rents, as agreed by the applicant and the City;
 - (b) a covenant, registered under Section 215 of the Land Titles Act, restricting use of the land and the building to the use permitted by the above-noted agreement;
 - (c) an unrestricted option to lease the building granted in favour of the City, to be registered as a first charge against title to the land as security for the performance of the applicant’s obligations under the above-noted agreement; and

NOTE: This “unrestricted option to lease” would allow the City to lease the building and rent it out at “moderate” rents, should the building be rented at variance with this agreement.

- (d) a form of lease of the building by the applicant to the City, to come into existence only on exercise by the City, of the above-noted option to lease.

All of these agreements would be to the satisfaction of the Director of Legal Services and may vary, depending on specific circumstances with individual applications.

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