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WITHOUT PREJUDICE

Dear Sir

**1-3 Wharf Road Gladesville – LDA 2011/0622
136-140 Victoria Road Gladesville – LDA 2011/0621**

We are the solicitors acting for the applicants of the abovementioned Development Applications, listed before the Joint Regional Planning Panel meeting tomorrow.

Following a meeting with Council last week, our clients hereby give notice of withdrawal of both development applications before the panel meets.

Our clients do not accept the basis of the independent assessor's FSR calculation methodology. It is difficult to understand, in the Council planning documents, or in the latest assessment report, the manner in which Council now says the refusal to increase the floor space is in keeping with its controls. Their consultants have continued along a path for over a year on the understanding that additional space was exactly what was allowed under these clauses. They held legal advice to the effect that their calculation of the floor space allowable was correct.

It is understood from the recent council meeting that, contrary to our clients' understanding, Council does not consider this agreement between the two key adjoining landowners to be a unique opportunity to bring about a public plaza and additional public car parking.

On behalf of our clients, we now seek urgent discussions with Council to establish the potential yield of the above projects.

Yours faithfully
Bartier Perry



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