Urban Taskforce

The Urban Taskforce represents Australia's most prominent property developers and equity financiers. We provide a forum for people involved in the development and planning of the urban environments to engage in constructive dialogue with government and the community.

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Re: Hoardings and Scaffolding Policy and Guidelines updates

Thank you for the opportunity to submit feedback on the Hoardings and Scaffolding Policy and Guidelines updates, currently on exhibition by the City of Sydney Council.

Some of our members have indicated that at times it can take months to obtain approval from City of Sydney Council for hoardings around construction sites. These lengthy and costly delays are of great concern to developers, particularly as above ground construction cannot start until approval is obtained.

The Hoarding and Scaffolding Policy and the Hoardings and Scaffolding Guidelines also unfairly restrict the developer's ability to promote and sell their product.

Please take these issues into consideration when reviewing the draft Policy and Guidelines.

The Urban Taskforce is always willing to work closely with the Government to provide a development industry perspective on this issue. Please feel free to contact me on telephone number 9238 3955 to discuss this further.

Yours sincerely,

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