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Mark Lambert
Interim Chief Executive
Auckland Transport
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Dear Mark Lambert

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-Track Consenting) Act 2020 – comments sought on referral application – Beachside Mission Bay Project

The Minister for the Environment (Minister) has received an application from Drive Holdings Limited to refer the Beachside Mission Bay Project (project) to an expert consenting panel (a panel) for consideration under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (FTCA).

The purpose of the FTCA is to promote employment to support New Zealand's recovery from the economic and social impacts of COVID-19 and to support certainty of investment while continuing to promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources.

The project is described in Appendix A and the application documents are in Attachment 1.

Auckland Transport may have an interest in the project because of the potential for adverse effects on the local road network. Under delegated authority from the Minister and pursuant to section 21(3) of the FTCA, I invite Auckland Transport's written comments on the referral application. A template is provided for this purpose in Attachment 2.

The above information is provided to you in confidence and as part of the statutory process set out in the FTCA. Please do not forward the application or request for comments to anyone outside your organisation.

If the Minister accepts the application and the project is referred to a panel, the applicant will be able to lodge applications with the Environmental Protection Authority for the approvals needed under the Resource Management Act 1991. The applicant must provide a detailed assessment of environmental effects and cultural impact assessments as part of this process.

Please provide comments via return email within 10 working days to ensure that the Minister takes them into consideration when deciding whether or not to accept the referral application. Note that the Minister is not required to consider any comments provided after this time.

If you would like more information about the fast-track consenting process, or to discuss the application, please contact the Ministry for the Environment's Fast-track Consenting Team at fasttrackconsenting@mfe.govt.nz to arrange an appointment.

Yours sincerely

Madeleine Berry

Acting Manager, Fast-track Consenting Team

Appendix:

A. Details of proposed project

Attachments:

- 1. Application to refer the Beachside Mission Bay Project to an expert consenting panel, including supporting information (Databox link in covering email)
- 2. Response template for written comments

cc: Matthew Richards, Manager Development Planning s 9(2)(a)

Sarah Haarhoff, Major Developments Interface Lead s 9(2)(a)

Appendix A – Details of proposed project

Project	Applicant	Details
Beachside Mission Bay	Drive Holdings Limited	The project is to develop a 6527 square metre site in Mission Bay, Auckland and construct a mixed-use development comprising 7 buildings (5 storeys high, to an allowable building height of 16 metres occupiable, 18 metres maximum) located above 2 basement carparking levels, that include:
		approximately 140-170 residential units
		 approximately 2404 squares metres of commercial and retail tenancy space
		 private communal open space
		vehicle and bicycle parking.
		The project site is located over a block of 10 lots at 75-97 Tamaki Drive, 6-14 Patteson Avenue, and 26-30 Marau Crescent, Mission Bay, Auckland.
		The project will involve activities such as:
		 demolishing existing buildings, infrastructure and structures
		 carrying out earthworks (including basement construction and disturbance of contaminated land)
		 constructing 7 buildings comprising 5 storeys and 2 basement carparking levels
		 constructing or installing structures and infrastructure including accessways for vehicles, loading and parking areas, and three- waters services
		 taking and diverting groundwater
		 discharging groundwater, stormwater and contaminants to land
		 landscaping and planting including removal of street trees
		any other activities that are:
		 associated with the activities described above
		 within the scope of the project as described above.