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Dear Ministers

COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 – comments sought on referral application – Quarterdeck Project

Box Property Investments Limited has applied to refer the Quarterdeck Project (project) to an expert consenting panel (panel) for consideration under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (FTCA). This letter is sent to you pursuant to section 21(2) of the FTCA.

The purpose of the FTCA is to urgently 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.

I invite you to provide written comments on the referral application. If I accept the application and the project is referred, the applicant will be able to lodge applications with the Environmental Protection Authority for the approvals needed under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) for the project, and a panel will be appointed to consider and decide them. The applicant must provide a more detailed environmental assessment and cultural impact assessment(s) as part of their RMA applications. You will have an opportunity at that stage to provide comments to the panel.

Please provide your comments via return email within 10 working days if you wish me to take them into consideration when deciding whether or not to accept the referral application.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Parker', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

Hon David Parker
Minister for the Environment

Appendix:

A. Description of proposed project

Attachment:

1. Application to refer Quarterdeck Project to an expert consenting panel, including supporting information (Databox link in covering email)

Appendix A - Proposed project

| Project | Applicant | Details |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Quarterdeck Project | Box Property Investments Limited | <p>The project is to subdivide land and construct approximately 70 residential units within 12 two-storey (up to 6.5 metre) terraced houses and three 4-storey (up to 13.8 metre) apartment buildings at 30 and 40 Sandspit Road and 2 and 4 Reydon Place, Cockle Bay, Howick, Auckland and the adjacent road reserve. The project will include approximately 96 basement car parks for the apartments and communal parking for the terraced houses, communal outdoor area.</p> <p>The project will include activities such as site clearance, demolishing buildings or structures, carrying out earthworks, discharging stormwater and contaminants to land, taking and diverting groundwater, constructing residential buildings, basement car parks, constructing and replacing infrastructure, landscaping and planting, and road berm upgrades.</p> |