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Mayor Michael D. Hurst
City of Windsor
350 City Hall Square West
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Re: Review of City of Windsor Financial Controls and Procedures

Dear Mayor Hurst,

In the Chamber's letter to you and City Council on April 28, 2003 (Re: 2003 City of Windsor Budget) we praised the reorganization of the City Administration. At that time we identified the need for further improvements to the City of Windsor's financial and administrative processes, leading to a more efficient and effective City Hall operation.

As a result of the recent measures by City Administration to review its financial services function by retaining PriceWaterhouseCoopers, we support the initiative to improve the City's financial controls, particularly the requirement for regular reporting of financial performance to City Council.

We applaud the implementation plan as a good first step in the pursuit of these efficiencies.

We would like to reiterate our support for the reorganization of City Administration and to affirm our support for fiscal discipline and a business-like approach to running City Hall. We are also looking forward to positive changes to the 2004 Budget process with greater involvement by the community stakeholders, including the Windsor & District Chamber of Commerce.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda E. Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Linda E. Smith
President