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development community but would also maintain a balanced and responsible overview of the situation. It is also assumed that the public sector, and in particular B.C. municipalities, would be given an opportunity to express their views regarding municipal by-laws and Provincial regulations affecting industrial, commercial and residential development perhaps under a similar arrangement granted the private sector committee in which project expenses are paid for by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

With reference to the recommendations outlined in the Prince George report, an open exchange of information within the public sector is a laudable goal and, therefore, the Planning Department would support recommendations 2 and 3 which read as follows:

- "2. That the Minister of Municipal Affairs be requested to publish the report of the private sector operating committee and to make public a full transcript of the evidence provided to it and forming the basis of their recommendations.
- 3. That the Minister of Municipal Affairs be requested to publish the reports of the Provincial Governments consultants respecting deregulation as it could affect municipalities."

However, the Planning Department is of the opinion that the private sector operating committee which is considered to represent the development community would not necessarily be improved by the inclusion of additional members and therefore would not wholly support recommendation 1 although, conversely, there would be no objection to its implementation.

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