

## **Premier of Western Australia**

Our Ref:

59-268995

Ms Tanya Steinbeck Chief Executive Officer Urban Development Institute of Australia (WA) tsteinbeck@udiwa.com.au

Dear Ms Steinbeck

Thank you for your letter of 25 May 2021 seeking a commitment from the State Government that it will not introduce any new (nor increase any existing) property-related taxes and charges during the current term of government.

As you would appreciate, at this time I am unable to specifically comment on the Government's deliberations for this year's State Budget.

However, I can confirm that while the Government has no plans for new taxes. I can't see any circumstances where we would be increasing taxes because our strong financial management has the Budget under control.

I appreciate your acknowledgement of the strong level of support this Government has provided to the development and construction industry. We provided that support in response to acute concerns during the early stages of the pandemic that a significant proportion of construction jobs were at risk and are pleased that such a situation did not eventuate.

Thank you for bringing your concerns to my attention and I trust that these comments are of some assistance.

Yours sincerely

Mark McGowan MLA

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