



**City of Hamilton**  
**GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE**  
**ADDENDUM**

**Meeting #:** 21-023  
**Date:** November 9, 2021  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Due to the COVID-19 and the Closure of City Hall (CC)

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**5. COMMUNICATIONS**

5.1. Correspondence respecting GRIDS 2, the Municipal Comprehensive Review and Land Needs Assessment

\*5.1.if. Colin Marshall

\*5.1.ig. Craig and Sina McInnis

\*5.1.ih. Cynthia Lokker

\*5.1.ii. Daniel Chaput

\*5.1.ij. Daniel Gardiner

\*5.1.ik. David Keegan

\*5.1.il. David Krysko

- \*5.1.im. Debbie Field
- \*5.1.in. Deborah Peace
- \*5.1.io. Dennis Price
- \*5.1.ip. Don Zeller
- \*5.1.iq. Eizabeth Kata
- \*5.1.ir. Emily Cowall
- \*5.1.is. Emily Crowe
- \*5.1.it. Erin Shacklette
- \*5.1.iu. Erinn Turnbull
- \*5.1.iv. Frederick Mertz
- \*5.1.iw. Gail Faveri
- \*5.1.ix. Gillian Bochenek
- \*5.1.iy. Gillian Fletcher
- \*5.1.mo. Barry Coombs, Bird Friendly Cities
- \*5.1.mp. Dean Carriere
- \*5.1.mq. Heather Deane
- \*5.1.mr. Nicole Doro
- \*5.1.ms. Richard MacKinnon
- \*5.1.mt. Verena Walter
- \*5.1.mu. Adam Polios
- \*5.1.mv. Adrienne Hol
- \*5.1.mw. Alana Didur
- \*5.1.mx. Alison Fleming



\*5.1.my. Allison Clark  
\*5.1.mz. Amanda Boucher  
\*5.1.na. Amie Allen  
\*5.1.nb. Ana Carolina Volpe  
\*5.1.nc. Andrea Kamermans  
\*5.1.nd. Andrew Dube  
\*5.1.ne. Anne Can Impe  
\*5.1.nf. Anth Kev  
\*5.1.ng. Austra Jerumanis  
\*5.1.nh. Barb Ormond  
\*5.1.ni. Barbara Davis  
\*5.1.nj. Barbara Jalsevac  
\*5.1.nk. Barbara McSkimming  
\*5.1.nl. Barbara Mead  
\*5.1.nm. Barbara Ross  
\*5.1.nn. Beverly Bressette  
\*5.1.no. Bill Desavigny  
\*5.1.np. Bonnie Rich  
\*5.1.nq. Brenda Alcock  
\*5.1.nr. Brian Walmsley  
\*5.1.ns. Bruce Malcolm  
\*5.1.nt. Candace Burgess  
\*5.1.nu. Carleon Hardie

\*5.1.nv. Carly Woods

\*5.1.nw. Carol-Ann Duran

\*5.1.nx. Catharine Ozols

\*5.1.ny. Catharine Smith

\*5.1.nz. Cathy McPherson

\*5.1.oa. Charlotte Hamilton

\*5.1.ob. Charlotte Tisdale

\*5.1.oc. Chris Motherwell

\*5.1.od. Christine Brown

\*5.1.oe. Christopher Anand

\*5.1.of. Cindy Stover

\*5.1.og. Clair Hutchinson

\*5.1.oh. Clarence Porter

\*5.1.oi. Claudia Espindola

\*5.1.oj. Colin Marshall

\*5.1.ok. Colleen Heap

\*5.1.ol. Colleen McConnell

\*5.1.om. Connie Priest Brown

\*5.1.on. Corey Wood

\*5.1.oo. D. Jovic

\*5.1.op. Dale Schustyk

\*5.1.oq. Daniel Gardiner

\*5.1.or. Daniel Quaglia

\*5.1.os. Daniella Lato

\*5.1.ot. Danielle Lancia

\*5.1.ou. David Hitchcock

\*5.1.ov. David Krysko

\*5.1.ow. David Quackenbush

\*5.1.ox. David Zizzo

\*5.1.oy. Dawne Bergsteinson

\*5.1.oz. Dianne Wilson

\*5.1.pa. Diane Wojcik

\*5.1.pb. Don McLean

\*5.1.pc. Don Shaw

\*5.1.pd. Donna McRae

\*5.1.pe. Donna Rutherford

\*5.1.pf. Doug Rouse

\*5.1.pg. Ed Ellis

\*5.1.ph. Edda Engel

\*5.1.pi. Edward Mizzi

\*5.1.pj. Edwina Hylton

\*5.1.pk. Eimilidh McQueen

\*5.1.pl. Elisabeth Popovic

\*5.1.pm. Elizabeth Estall

\*5.1.pn. Ellen Morris

\*5.1.po. Ellen Southall

\*5.1.pp. Emily Kam

\*5.1.pq. Ericka Franklin

\*5.1.pr. Erica Li

\*5.1.ps. Esme Tondreau

\*5.1.pt. Estell Elizabeth

\*5.1.pu. Evelyn LaMarsh

\*5.1.pv. Ewa Rakowski

\*5.1.pw. Frances Murray

\*5.1.px. Fushia Featherstone-Mikic

\*5.1.py. Gabrial Nicholson

\*5.1.pz. Gary F. MacDonald

\*5.1.qa. Georgia Thomson-McWilliams

\*5.1.qb. Gesine Alders

\*5.1.qc. Gord and Angie McNulty

\*5.1.qd. Gord Smith

\*5.1.qe. Grant D. Linney

\*5.1.qf. Greg Canton

\*5.1.qg. Harold Smith

\*5.1.qh. Harshal Patel

\*5.1.qi. Heather Ewart-Cooper

\*5.1.qj. Helen Gzik

\*5.1.qk. Helen Sadowski

\*5.1 ql. Helen Thomas

\*5.1.qm. Helen Thomas

\*5.1.qn. Helen Todd

\*5.1.qo. Hilary Lyttle

\*5.1.qp. Holly Brose

\*5.1.qq. Inderjit Gill

\*5.1.qr. Jackeline Forkel

\*5.1.qs. Jackie Beaudin

\*5.1.qt. Jacqueline Stagen

\*5.1.qu. Jade Jackson

\*5.1.qv. James Macauley

\*5.1.qw. James Mawson

\*5.1.qx. James Ormond

\*5.1.qy. Jane Aronson

\*5.1.qz. Jane Cudmore

\*5.1.ra. Jane Galliver-Fortune

\*5.1.rb. Jane MacCabe-Freeman

\*5.1.rc. Janet Fraser

\*5.1.rd. Janice Currie

\*5.1.re. Janice Hyde

\*5.1.rf. Janine Towle

\*5.1.rg. Jennifer Bedford

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\*5.1.ri. Jennifer Tucker

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\*5.1.rk. Jill Tonini  
\*5.1.rl. Jillian Marenger  
\*5.1.rm. Jim Kirk  
\*5.1.rn. Joan McKay  
\*5.1.ro. Joanne Edmiston  
\*5.1.rp. Joanne Lewis  
\*5.1.rq. Joanne Palangio  
\*5.1.rr. Joanne Robinson  
\*5.1.rs. Joanne Stonehill  
\*5.1.rt. John Coakley  
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\*5.1.rv. John Kirk  
\*5.1.rw. John McBrien  
\*5.1.rx. John O'Connor  
\*5.1.ry. John Olmstead  
\*5.1.rz. John Vickers  
\*5.1.sa. Joy Sunesen  
\*5.1.sb. Joy Warner  
\*5.1.sc. Joyce Muir  
\*5.1.sd. Judy Peternel  
\*5.1.se. Julie Rahn  
\*5.1.sf. June and Bill Kertyzia

\*5.1.sg. June Peace

\*5.1.sh. K Crevar

\*5.1.si. K Matthewson

\*5.1.sj. Kara Guatto

\*5.1.sk. Karen Grover

\*5.1.sl. Karen Mills

\*5.1.sm. Karen Prince

\*5.1.sn. Kathy Bresnahan

\*5.1.so. Kathy Steele

\*5.1.sp. Keira McArthur

\*5.1.sq. Keith Alcock

\*5.1.sr. Keith Alcock

\*5.1.ss. Kristina McGill

\*5.1.st. Kristine Swire

\*5.1.su. Laura Buckley

\*5.1.sv. Laura Thurlow

\*5.1.sw. Lauren McKay

\*5.1.sx. Lauren Snelius

\*5.1.sy. Leila Handanovic

\*5.1.sz. Leo Gervais

\*5.1.ta. Leslie Falzone

\*5.1.tb. Linda Daniels-Smith

\*5.1.tc. Linda Devison

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\*5.1.tf. Linda Tiley  
\*5.1.tg. Lisa Cacilhas  
\*5.1.th. Liz Eeuwes  
\*5.1.ti. Liz Koblyk  
\*5.1.tj. Lori Burns  
\*5.1.tk. Lori Mino  
\*5.1.tl. Lyn and Rick Folkes  
\*5.1.tm. Lynn Gates  
\*5.1.tn. Maddie Becker  
\*5.1.to. Marcia Kash  
\*5.1.tp. Margaret Jolink  
\*5.1.tq. Margo May Taylor  
\*5.1.tr. Margot Feyerer  
\*5.1.ts. Margot Oliveri  
\*5.1.tt. Maria Polomska  
\*5.1.tu. Marie Salmon  
\*5.1.tv. Markia Ince  
\*5.1.tw. Marilyn Glazebrook  
\*5.1.tx. Marilyn Marchesseau  
\*5.1.ty. Marilyn Thimpson  
\*5.1.tz. Marion Redman



- \*5.1.ua. Marjorie Cooke
- \*5.1.ub. Marjorie Middleton
- \*5.1.uc. Mark Pattison
- \*5.1.ud. Mark Stirling
- \*5.1.ue. Marsha Sulewski
- \*5.1.uf. Mary Coll-Black
- \*5.1.ug. Mary Hickey
- \*5.1.uh. Maryanne Lemieux
- \*5.1.ui. Matias Rozenberg
- \*5.1.uj. Maurice Villeneuve
- \*5.1.uk. Megan Saunders
- \*5.1.ul. Melody Federico
- \*5.1.um. Michael Blais
- \*5.1.un. Michael Fabello
- \*5.1.uo. Michael Lake
- \*5.1.up. Mike Hennessey
- \*5.1.uq. Mike Kelly
- \*5.1.ur. Miriam Reed
- \*5.1.us. Mona Nahmias
- \*5.1.ut. Morgan Wedderspoon
- \*5.1.uu. Nadia Coakley
- \*5.1.uv. Nancy Chater
- \*5.1.uw. Nancy Cooper

\*5.1.ux. Nancy E. Hill

\*5.1.uy. Nancy McKibbin Gray

\*5.1.uz. Naomi Kane

\*5.1.va. Naomi Overend

\*5.1.vb. Natalie Lazier

\*5.1.vc. Neil Armstrong

\*5.1.vd. Nelson Da Costa

\*5.1.ve. Nic Webber

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\*5.1.vi. Pamela Thompson

\*5.1.vj. Pat Cameron

\*5.1.vk. Patricia Barton

\*5.1.vl. Patricia Feyerer

\*5.1.vm. Patrick Speissegger

\*5.1.vn. Paula Hrycenko

\*5.1.vo. Pauline Prowse

\*5.1.vp. Peg Kelly

\*5.1.vq. Peggy Faulds

\*5.1.vr. Peter Acker

\*5.1.vs. Peter Hurrell

\*5.1.vt. Philip Horwath

\*5.1.vu. Phyllis Dixon  
\*5.1.vv. Rachel Harper  
\*5.1.vw. Rachel Hofing  
\*5.1.vx. Rachel Thornton  
\*5.1.vy. Rebecca Jahns  
\*5.1.vz. Rebecca Kallsen  
\*5.1.wa. Rebecca Potter  
\*5.1.wb. Rena Rice  
\*5.1.wc. Rhu Sherrard  
\*5.1.wd. Rita Dalla Riva  
\*5.1.we. Robert Coxe  
\*5.1.wf. Robert Findlay  
\*5.1.wg. Robert Hicks  
\*5.1.wh. Robert Momcilovic  
\*5.1.wi. Ron and Joanne Palangio  
\*5.1.wj. Ruth Pickering  
\*5.1.wk. S. Allen Wraggett  
\*5.1.wl. S. Holloway  
\*5.1.wm. Sandy Leyland  
\*5.1.wn. Sara Anderson  
\*5.1.wo. Sarah Ann Bernhardt  
\*5.1.wp. Sarah Wakefield  
\*5.1.wq. Sean Erskine

\*5.1.wr. Sean Hurley

\*5.1.ws. Shannon French

\*5.1.wt. Sharon Humphreys

\*5.1.wu. Sharon McKay

\*5.1.wv. Sheila O'Neal

\*5.1.ww. Sheila Hagen

\*5.1.wx. Sherly Kyorkis

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\*5.1.wz. Shirley Pettit

\*5.1.xa. Simona Korber

\*5.1.xb. Sonya Cuttriss

\*5.1.xc. Steve Kolovos

\*5.1.xd. Steven McAulay

\*5.1.xe. Sue Kowch

\*5.1.xf. Susan Baker

\*5.1.xg. Susan Wortman

\*5.1.xh. Suzanne McCarthy

\*5.1.xi. Suzanne Sulikowski

\*5.1.xj. Sylvia Kraus

\*5.1.xk. T. Fraser

\*5.1.xl. Teresa LaFave

\*5.1.xm. Tim Panton

\*5.1.xn. Tom Flemming

\*5.1.xo. Tory Kenny

\*5.1.xp. Tracy Ryckman

\*5.1.xq. Vicky Neufeld

\*5.1.xr. Vilija Govedas

\*5.1.xs. Wannie Armes

\*5.1.xt. Wendy Folkes

\*5.1.xu. William Hill

\*5.1.xv. William Roebuck

\*5.1.xw. Yacoob Kathrada

\*5.1.xx. Yvonne Moloughney

\*5.1.xy. Alex Adams

\*5.1.xz. Carly Billings

\*5.1.ya. David Reed

\*5.1.yb. Deborah Spoto

\*5.1.yc. Don Brown

\*5.1.yd. Evelyn Auchinvole

\*5.1.ye. Kathy and Ken Bond

\*5.1.yf. Kathy Cozens

\*5.1.yg. Kristina McGill

\*5.1.yh. Lauren Campbell

\*5.1.yi. Leslie Greene

\*5.1.yj. Mane Arratia

\*5.1.yk. Melissa Dowdall

\*5.1.yl. Michael Greene  
\*5.1.ym. Mionne Taylor  
\*5.1.yn. Myfanwy Armes  
\*5.1.yo. Sandy Boyle  
\*5.1.yp. Shawn Boecker  
\*5.1.yq. Aaron Lamers  
\*5.1.yr. Alison Diamond  
\*5.1.ys. Allison Bennett  
\*5.1.yt. Anne Chaffee  
\*5.1.yu. Abbie Little  
\*5.1.yv. Arianne DiNardo  
\*5.1.yw. Ashleigh Edworthy  
\*5.1.yx. Ashley Devenny  
\*5.1.yy. Alan Ernest  
\*5.1.yz. Benjamin Doek  
\*5.1.za. Betty Muggah  
\*5.1.zb. Bob Takast  
\*5.1.zc. Branislava Despinic  
\*5.1.zd. Brent Jukes  
\*5.1.ze. Brian Greig  
\*5.1.zf. Brody Robinmeyer  
\*5.1.zg. Carl Cuneo  
\*5.1.zh. Carli Hogan

- \*5.1.zi. Christine Fuss
- \*5.1.zj. Christine Heidebrecht
- \*5.1.zk. Cyndy Thomas
- \*5.1.zl. Daniel Boot
- \*5.1.zm. Danijela Jovic
- \*5.1.zn. Debbie Edwards and Rick Csiernick
- \*5.1.zo. Debbie Toth
- \*5.1.zp. Denise Giroux
- \*5.1.zq. Diane Herechuk-Crossen
- \*5.1.zr. Diane Shamchuk
- \*5.1.zs. Donna Akrey
- \*5.1.zt. Elizabeth Gray
- \*5.1.zu. Ellen Morris
- \*5.1.zv. Erica Hall
- \*5.1.zw. Eshan Merali
- \*5.1.zx. Eva Hatzis
- \*5.1.zy. Eva Novoselac
- \*5.1.zz. Freddie Mac
- \*5.1.aaa. Gail Faveri
- \*5.1.aab. Altus Group
- \*5.1.aac. Biglieri Group
- \*5.1.aad. A. J. Clarke
- \*5.1.aae. Hamilton Developers and Homebuilders Joint Letter

- \*5.1.aaf. Nick Wood, Corbett Land Strategies
- \*5.1.aag. Glenn Cunningham
- \*5.1.aah. Grace Kuang
- \*5.1.aai. Hannah Schayer
- \*5.1.aaj. Hussan Taha
- \*5.1.aak. Ian Branston
- \*5.1.aal. Illyria Volcansek
- \*5.1.aam. Irene Schieberl
- \*5.1.aan. Jacquie Neill
- \*5.1.aao. Jasmine McCall
- \*5.1.aap. Jim Folkes
- \*5.1.aaq. Jonathan Woof
- \*5.1.aar. Joan MacDonald

## 6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 6.1. Delegation respecting GRIDS and Municipal Comprehensive Review and Land Needs Assessment
  - \*6.1.b. Nancy Hurst
  - \*6.1.m. Dr. Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton
  - \*6.1.ab. Anne Washington, Association of Dundas Churches
  - \*6.1.ag. Senna Thomas
  - \*6.1.ah. Paul Lowes, SGL Planning and Design Inc.
  - \*6.1.ai. Candy Venning - CHANGED TO VIDEO
  - \*6.1.aj. Cheryl Case, Principal Urban Planner, CP Planning



- \*6.1.ak. Mark Forler - DELEGATION WITHDRAWN - WRITTEN SUBMISSION ONLY
- \*6.1.al. John Perenack, StrategyCorp on behalf of Hamilton Needs Housing
- \*6.1.am. Daniel Gabriele, Marz Homes
- \*6.1.an. Alice Plug-Buist, Helping Hands Street Mission
- \*6.1.ao. Ed Fothergill, Fothergill Planning and Development Inc.
- \*6.1.ap. Mike Pettigrew, The Biglieri Group Ltd.
- \*6.1.aq. Veronica Gonzalez, ACORN
- \*6.1.ar. Maria Gatzios, Gatzios Planning
- \*6.1.as. David Falletta, Bousfields Inc.
- \*6.1.at. Aldo De Santis - Multi-Area Developments Inc.
- \*6.1.au. Craig Burley
- \*6.1.av. Natalie Lazier
- \*6.1.aw. B. Spence
- \*6.1.ax. Nancy Cooper
- \*6.2. Video Delegations respecting GRIDS and Municipal Comprehensive Review and Land Needs Assessment
  - \*6.2.k. Cynthia Meyer
  - \*6.2.l. Jeff Paikin, President, New Horizon Development Group
  - \*6.2.m. Marnie Schurter, ACORN
  - \*6.2.n. Mary Love
  - \*6.2.o. Nando DeCario, Desozio Homes Ltd.
  - \*6.2.p. Patricia Baker
  - \*6.2.q. Peter Ormond, ECO5 Inc.

- \*6.2.r. Rachelle Sender
- \*6.2.s. Summer Thomas
- \*6.2.t. Matthew LaRose
- \*6.2.u. Diana Mekauskas
- \*6.2.v. Ashley Feldman
- \*6.2.w. Becky Katz
- \*6.2.x. Dr. Meghan Davis
- \*6.2.y. Michelle Tom
- \*6.2.z. Roberto Henriquez
- \*6.2.aa. John Vukovic
- \*6.2.ab. Akira Ourique

**From:** Colin MRshall  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 23, 2021 1:44 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Colin Marshall stop the sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

There is no need to expand the boundary there plenty of unused and serviced land within the present boundary. Don't pave over farm land let's grow more of our own food we already import to much from other countries . The more land that is paved will create more flooding and loss of wildlife. Once land is paved over it is gone forever as agricultural land . DONT GIVE IN TO THE BIG RICH DEVELOPERS.

Colin MRshall

Stoney Creek , Ontario

**From:** Craig & Sina McInnis **Sent:** Friday, October 22, 2021 7:41 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** No to Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

We're saying "NO" to urban sprawl. We would much rather see abandoned areas and buildings already within the city be utilized and made into AFFORDABLE housing. Let's fix our city for it's current citizens, before building unaffordable housing for those outside our area.

Thank you,

Craig & Sina McInnis

WATERDOWN,

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**From:** Cynthia Lokker  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 20, 2021 6:50 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Maintain our urban boundary

Clerk City Clerk,

I'm a Hamilton resident since 2001, living in ward 3, and a faculty member at McMaster. I'm very concerned about the effects of climate change, food security, and sustainable and affordable housing.

Expanding beyond our urban boundary will reduce arable farm land, thereby impacting Ontario's food production at a time when we should be planning for more local production. The costs, financial and environmental, of developing further out do not make sense when we have land within the boundary which can be developed. Building mixed density within the boundary will increase the tax base (rather than tax burden) and allow for more affordable and accessible options.

I join my fellow citizens who are being vocal about this issue.

Let's think of the bigger climate and social picture, beyond the instant influx of developer cash. Hamilton deserves better.

Cynthia Lokker

Cynthia Lokker

Hamilton , Ontario

**From:** Daniel Chaput  
**Sent:** Friday, October 22, 2021 12:30 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Stop Urban Boundary Expansion in Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello, I am Dan Chaput, a resident of Hamilton. I was born here, grew up here, and my wife and I are proud to have just bought a home here with plans to begin a family. Through the city survey, our city has clearly chosen to densify the population instead of expanding outwards and I am asking you to side with the people of Hamilton instead of the developers who want to expand. We do not need to overtake dwindling farmland - we need to invest in making the city we have the best it can be through investments in public transportation, in densifying the city, and in making it a more walkable, better place to live. The people of Hamilton know this and know that we cannot destroy more farmland. Please side with the city of Hamilton and not the developers.

We thank the counselors of our city for defending farmland and the will of the people against financial interests.

Thank you,  
Dan Chaput

Daniel Chaput

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Daniel Gardiner  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 21, 2021 7:41 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop The Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Please consider the long term. No one will remember you positively for allowing urban sprawl into farmland. You will be remembered positively if you preserve farm land and control urban sprawl.

Please think in terms of future generations well being.

Dan Gardiner  
Hamilton Mountain

Daniel Gardiner

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** David Keegan  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 20, 2021 8:36 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

From d keegan Mount Hope ont. We need farm land and natural spaces sprawl just adds to pollution and only profits the rich if our politicians are so worried about housing in southern ontario why are all the new housing in past rural areas all houses that are out of the price range of people who need it most if you are going to ruin farm land and small towns why not make houses people ..can afford it is time to look at yourself and ask when this assault on our environment will stop ...be creative but please dont destroy land we are going to need to feed ourselves local food for local people less pollution less cost no sprawl no sprawl look yourself in the mirror and do the right thing d keegan my hope ont

David Keegan

Mount hope ont, Ontario



**From:** David Krysko  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 21, 2021 8:35 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Grow up, not out

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear important decision maker,

I live in Rosedale, here in wonderful Hamilton.

Cities need to grow up, not outwards into the best farmland and nature.

There is so much room for growth up (but not downtown, I love to keep downtown lower and more historic) all over Hamilton and Stoney Creek.

People need less expensive housing and a place to start. Apartments and Condos, even 3 story buildings are the future we need. They are better for the environment and traffic.

Please do not expand the sprawl. Keep cities small.

Cheers, Dave.

David Krysko

hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Debbie Field  
**Sent:** Friday, October 22, 2021 8:20 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Stop Urban Sprawl - Lots of Infill Opportunities

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello, My name is Debbie Field and I am a resident of Ward 2. I am not against growth in Hamilton. There are many opportunities for residential infill, ie Chedoke Hospital lands and repurposing of existing properties, ie. Royal Connaught, Witton Lofts. We do not need to expand the urban boundary and use valuable, irreplaceable agricultural land. Please listen to the citizens of Hamilton.

Debbie Field

Hamilton, ON, Ontario

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**From:** Deborah Peace  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 21, 2021 12:17 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Concern for Effects of Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Deborah Peace. I am a resident of Dundas. I have grave concerns about the effects of urban sprawl and concerns about the action of the provincial government in the handling of this issue. We are in a climate crisis & need to do everything we can to protect our farmland both for the food source and to prevent the devastating effects of climate change. There are many examples worldwide of successful strategies to address housing needs without destroying farmland. The PC gov't. is bullying Hamilton & using smoke and mirror tactics to confuse folks. This must stop. We need leadership not self serving plans with short term gains for politicians & developers.

Deborah Peace

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Dennis Price  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 26, 2021 8:01 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Let's all say a strong No to urban sprawl!

Clerk City Clerk,

Greetings

Thank you for reviewing my message. There comes a time when urban sprawl must end, and now is that time. It is left up to us to maintain the natural and farmland that we all need. Every generation there will be a cry to expand the urban boundary for whatever reason. To allow this will mean a loss of our natural and farm lands by many cookie bits. The future generations depend on us to preserve these important lands. We do not want to be forced more and more to buy our food from more and more outside sources. We have to put a halt to this expansion process or it will never end. We have to face the fact that we need to limit the size of our cities. The brave souls among us will realize this is a fact that must be realized. The city functioned well in the past with less population and so it can again with its present population into the future. I am sure you can meet this challenge.

Warmest regards to everyone.

Dennis Price, City of Hamilton home owner.

Dennis Price

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Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Don Zeller  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 21, 2021 11:58 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No sprawl!

Clerk City Clerk,

Tip: Introduce yourself and write in your own words why you don't want an urban boundary expansion [DELETE this Tip before sending]

Don Zeller

Ancaster, Ontario

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**From:** Elizabeth Kata  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 21, 2021 7:13 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Hamilton Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I have lived in Hamilton all my life ( in ward 7) and have noticed that things have really changed lately. There are so many areas that have empty buildings that could be changed to low income/affordable housing. We need resources for the homeless. We need to stop building enormously tall skyscrapers with sky high rents/prices. The government can start making developers build affordable housing - somehow it became more important for developers to be rich and greedy and not contribute to their local communities. We will need the green areas outside our city for food, and green environment rather than expensive buildings which the poor and middle class of this city will not be able to afford.

Sincerely E. Kata

Elizabeth Kata

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Emily Cowall  
**Sent:** Monday, October 25, 2021 10:19 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** stop sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a citizen of Hamilton, My name is Dr. Emily Cowall and I hold a PhD from McMaster University on the experience of Inuit tuberculosis patients at the Hamilton Sanatorium. Voting in favor of Urban boundary expansion in Hamilton is absurd.

This town borders on the terminal end of lake Ontario and has quirky directions. We have the "mountain" ridge and a city divided around green spaces, waterfalls.

Where the hell will you expand to? Rape more of the natural resources? Are we not in a Climate crisis and now 'politicians' want more concrete covering natural resources? We have just started to see that the next year will help us out of the pandemic, but why is expansion the only path forward in your minds? Right now, is it not more efficient to make the entire city healthy again before you make it bigger? Is it not more important to cleanup the toxic water? Is it not more important to clean up the toxicity of having a steel plant in our city? Was Coote's Paradise healed? WE are not a shining example of combatting climate change, or environmental stewardship. Hamilton has more problems than you can shake a stick at, but as decision makers, you are not going to fix them first? What logic are you using when you have a city in need of healing and repair and you motion to make decisions to just add more and more problems on to problems.

I live across from Victoria Park and since the pandemic started I have observed countless numbers of homeless people wandering the streets and parks. They are homeless and many social problems abound in my neighbourhood. How does expansion help? None of these people can afford apartments priced over \$1,000+++++++ a month, so how can expansion and new building fix this when no one can afford the new expansion. WE have so many social problems in Hamilton. Be leaders, fix the real problems first. Expansion only seems to benefit the already rich these days.

Fix Hamilton, the Hamilton we are in, the one that is in trouble right now. Fix this city before you expand us into irreversible problems. Thinking recovery is only achievable through

expansion is narrow minded and foolish to not accelerate recovery of the entire city before the burden of turning this into a high density urban population. If you leave our poverty in place without correcting it, your expansion will put the problems in the margins, but they will still be there. I have lived in countries where this has happened. There is a burden of poverty in Hamilton. Why is that not being fixed first? Seems to me that I have observed in my lifetime that the only people who truly benefit from expansion are the rich and politicians-and the rich politicians! Start thinking from the perspective of your poorest citizens-and you will find boundary expansion is meaningless when you have no where to live or food to eat in the newly expanded city of Hamilton.

ONLY the rich will benefit. Shame on you!

Do not destroy the Green Belt. Do not add to our already problematic climate and pollution problems. Act responsibly on behalf of the citizens, and our environment.

Expansion is absurd.

Emily Cowall

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Emily Crowe  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 27, 2021 1:27 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** A student's thoughts on urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi, my name is Emily Crowe and I am student at McMaster University living in Ancaster. I'm concerned about urban sprawl because I would like to spend the rest of my life living in the Hamilton area. As much as I love living in Ancaster, without a car the low density means that it can be isolating because it takes a long time to get to other places in Hamilton (such as Mac) on public transit and by foot. I worry with the urban boundary expansion that more car-centric neighbourhoods will be built on valuable farmland. I also worry about the financial cost of a large suburban center outside the city (<https://www.strongtowns.org/the-growth-ponzi-scheme>). Additionally the environmental damage and congestion from more cars on the road is concerning. I know that the city is growing and there is a need for more housing. I wish that we could have a higher density approach that invests and develops existing spaces within the city to preserve farmland and contribute to a more walkable, pedestrian-centric city.

Emily Crowe

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Erin Shacklette  
**Sent:** Monday, October 25, 2021 11:54 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Sprawl is not the answer

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Erin and I have resided in Ward 4 for the last 12 years. Hamilton has to decide between 2 options: Will you continue the same old development pattern made popular in the mid 1900s of sprawl which benefits primarily middle and upper class white families, which left our city centre to crumble into the 1980s and 1990s, with a massive infrastructure repair deficit or, Will you finally buck the trend, learn from the past mistakes and build within our existing urban area in a way that accomodates families of different shapes, sizes and income levels and bring our existing urban boundary back to life? As a taxpayer, I cannot afford to subsidize any more suburban development while I watch the streets and sidewalks crumble in my own neighbourhood and those around me because the City has no funds for repairs. Increase density targets by allowing for more triplexes, 4-plexes, 6-plexes, and mid rise apartments in the residential zones and especially along Main and King S treets.

Erin Shacklette

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Erinn Turnbull  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 19, 2021 7:26 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Good day. My name is Erinn Turnbull and I live in Ward 1. I do not support expanding the urban boundary. It does not help to solve our housing crisis. While a group of developers are currently advertising how paving and building over farmland will somehow create affordable housing, we all know the developers are only interested in building what they can make the most profit off of (large single family homes in incomplete neighborhoods are easy to build on farmland). The ongoing costs to maintain all the new infrastructure in the future is huge per new home capita and Hamilton cannot afford to keep doing this. It would also be a terrible shame to destroy our precious farmland, we need to support our farmers and ensure we have access to local food. Let's build density wherever we can in the existing urban areas (that already has infrastructure) before we consider whether the urban boundary needs to be expanded. The province should also not be trying to force the city to expand the boundary on behalf of their wealthy developer supporters. they should be supporting help Hamilton build the maximum amount of affordable housing within the current urban boundary.

Thanks very much.

Erinn Turnbull  
Ward 1, Hamilton

Erinn Turnbull

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Frederick Mertz  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 23, 2021 9:56 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop Urban Sprawl in Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

To whom it may concern,

My name is Frederick Mertz and I am a resident of Ward 5 in Hamilton, ON.

I am writing to you today to urge the city of Hamilton and the province of Ontario to consider the option of no urban boundary expansion to accommodate city growth.

There are many, overwhelming reasons, why urban sprawl is not a viable option for growth. Besides the clear environmental impacts of developing on healthy and scarce farmland, the contributions made to climate change by car-centric suburban neighborhoods are massive.

Second, from a fiscal point of view urban sprawl is an irresponsible option. As many studies have shown, the long term costs to tax-payers from building new subdivisions much outweigh the costs from infill development.

Last, density is required to build towards a more sustainable and climate friendly transportation network. This includes LRT, the existing bus network, bike Lanes, and more which need more density to achieve strong levels of use. This will never be achieved with more sprawling neighborhoods.

Thank you for taking the time to consider all implications of urban sprawl.

Best,  
Frederick

Frederick Mertz

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Gail Faveri  
**Sent:** Friday, October 22, 2021 10:23 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

As a civil engineer in ward 8 on central Hamilton mountain, I know how expensive it is to service new subdivisions with sewers, water mains, roads, and transit. Hamilton already has plenty of room for more intensive housing, brown fields, grey fields, and lucrative locations near transit and shopping. It's nonsensical to expand into prime farmland, heavily subsidizing residential development, contrary to the environmental aims of the 21st century.

Please don't let the provincial government run roughshod over local wishes and municipal policies. Bravo to the mayor and my city councillor for their continuing efforts.

Gail Faveri

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Gillian Bochenek  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 27, 2021 12:16 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop sprawl from a Hamiltonian

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello, my name is Gillian Bochenek and have been a Hamiltonian for most of my life. My parents still live in the family home in the Delta area.

I see so many issues with the expansions being projected. It's costly in the long run because there will need to be so many more services provided to compensate for the enlarged city boundary. Also, the houses are not proven to be any more affordable for future home buyers. It looks like it's just another way to let developers get what they want at the expense of the culture of the city and the environment. We have very little local farms left and need them as well. So please think of another way to solve the every growing housing costs that isn't this.

Thank you, have a nice day!

Gillian Bochenek

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Gillian Fletcher  
**Sent:** Friday, October 22, 2021 10:16 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

I am Gillian Fletcher , a resident of Ward 1 in Hamilton

Please take a stand against urban sprawl which destroys valuable farmland and increases the climate crisis. For the sake of our children and future generations stop the continuing urban sprawl while we still can

Our lives depend on it !

Gillian Fletcher

Hamilton, Ontario

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**BIRD FRIENDLY CITIES**

Hamilton/Burlington Team 2021

**Statement to Hamilton General Issues committee on November 9, 2021**

The Bird Friendly Hamilton Burlington Team opposed the proposal for urban boundary expansion in a written delegation to the General Issues committee on March 29, 2021. Bird Friendly Hamilton Burlington partners with Environment Hamilton, Six Nations Wildlife and Hobbitstee Wildlife Refuge and is supported by several other local environmental organizations.

Our position has not changed and we call on Council to reject the proposal. An irretrievable loss of habitat for resident and migrant bird species will result if the proposal is accepted by Council. In addition to that, the loss of the Elfrida lands to a development that is the antithesis of current and progressive urban planning will detract greatly from any effort to protect and increase badly needed biodiversity in our region. Hamilton has adopted a Biodiversity Action Plan and the proposed expansion utterly defies the spirit of the plan.

The fields, streams and woodlots of Elfrida host a significant population of resident, breeding birds and support a large number of migratory bird species on their journey from Central and South America to the boreal forest and tundra. The welfare of many of these species is of critical concern.

Habitat loss is listed by the Birds Canada organization as one of the five key threats to healthy bird populations. It's scientifically proven that a healthy bird population is essential to biodiversity. Biodiversity is a key element of a healthy climate.

American Kestrels breed on the Elfrida lands. These small falcons are a **Priority** species, which controls rodent populations. They have experienced a **large decrease** in population since 1970. This decrease is primarily due to loss of habitat. This species will no longer breed on the Elfrida lands if the proposed development is approved.

Killdeer, a plover that has adapted to agricultural lands, is also a **Priority** species and has suffered a **large decrease** in population. The Elfrida lands host a significant population of breeding Killdeer, which will also lose their vital habitat.

Winter visitors to the area include other **Priority** species such as Snow Bunting and Snowy Owl. These species have also suffered **large decreases** in their numbers.

If the proposed development is approved, many bird species will still attempt to migrate through the area. They will be subject to other threats, specifically deadly collisions with windows and predation by outdoor, roaming cats. These two threats combine for hundreds of millions of bird deaths annually in North America.

We thank the committee members for their time and attention and repeat our objection to the expansion of the urban boundary and the development of the Elfrida lands.

Barry Coombs

Co-chair, Bird Friendly Burlington Hamilton team

**From:****Sent:** November 5, 2021 1:14 PM**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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**From:** Heather Deane <  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 3:21 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Cc:** VanderBeek, Arlene <[Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca](mailto:Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca)>  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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Heather Deane  
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**From:** Nicole Doro <[info@sg.actionnetwork.org](mailto:info@sg.actionnetwork.org)>

**Sent:** November 5, 2021 1:12 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** Vote NO to Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

I am a homeowner and resident of Hamilton, and have lived here all my life. I currently work as a Librarian at McMaster University. I am currently expecting, and I hope to raise my child in Hamilton, too. I am writing to express concern about the livelihood of Hamilton in the future.

As we have begun to see the effects of climate change on Hamilton through increased rain fall, which has in turn overrun our water sanitation system and forced polluted and untreated water into our ecosystems, as well as threatened to flood homes, we know effects like this will continue and increase in their severity over the next hundred years. EVEN if we are able to scale back our carbon footprint-- the damage we are seeing now has already been done and is irreversible. Expanding the urban boundary will make these effects more severe, since developed ground cannot absorb water the same way green lands can, and since we the carbon intensity required for transportation to further distances for more people will increase.

Voting to expand the urban boundary will do nothing to alleviate the housing crisis or supply affordable housing, and will instead only work to line the pockets of developers who don't care about our city or our future. What we need is urban density. As Zoe Green indicated in her recent Spec article regarding vacant spaces within the urban boundary, there are ample opportunities for developing pre-existing without having to make our local climate predicament any worse.

Next year is an election year, and since the vast majority of Hamiltonians feel so strongly about not expanding the boundary, I would urge you to consider your own future in this vote as well. Not only as a councillor, but in knowing that this choice can have a massive impact on your own family's ability to live and thrive in this city in the future.

Warm regards,

Nicole Doro

Hamilton, Ontario L8T 3R2

**From:** Sonia & Rick <  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 1:40 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

I am writing to urge Hamilton City Council and the General Issues Committee to adopt the No Urban Boundary Expansion Scenario.

I agree with my councillor's assessment that, "We can't afford to claw away prime agricultural soil, sensitive environmental areas, or dip into the finite land along our urban boundary, it simply takes too much away from future generations."

Even though the Ford government has refused to declare a climate change emergency our city has.

Even though COP26 greatly underestimates how much has to be done to avert climate catastrophe, Hamilton can make decisions that create less warming.

Richard MacKinnon

-----Original Message-----

From: Verena & Greg Walter <

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Sincerely,  
Verena Walter

**From:** Adam Palios  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:45 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** NO urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

To whom it may concern,

My name is Adam, I'm a long time resident of Hamilton, but I grew up in Grimsby.

Allowing the destruction of farmland only to appease investors and real estate speculators is a short term solution to a problem that has been growing more important for the past decade. Intensification is the only way to equitably create homes for people in a way that allows our community to thrive. To allow the destruction of farmland in order to build McMansions is to cast aside the need of all citizens for the benefit of few. Does this sound like the kind of future you want to support? One would have to be pretty selfish and an incredibly short term thinker to do so.

What side of history do you want to be on? The side that protects lands that support our community and environment? Or the side that cared more about money? Money isn't something you can eat once the farmlands are gone.

Thank you for considering voting NO on urban sprawl.

Adam

Adam Palios

Hamilton, Ontario

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From: Adrienne  
Sent: November 4, 2021 7:31 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); Ferguson, Lloyd <[Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca)>  
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Thank you.

Adrienne Hol  
Ancaster resident

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Alana Didur  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:33 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

As a born and raised Hamiltonian, I feel strongly that "No Urban Boundary Expansion" is the only choice moving forward.

Urban sprawl has many negative consequences for residents and the environment, such as higher water and air pollution, increased traffic fatalities and jams, loss of agricultural capacity, increased car dependency. Sprawl has multiple economic costs, including increased travel costs; decreased economic vitality of urban centres; loss of productive farm and timberland; loss of natural lands that support tourism and wildlife related industries.

The opinion of the people of Hamilton has been made clear. It is time for you to hear us: No Urban Boundary Expansion.

Alana Didur

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Allison Fleming  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 1:16 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Boundry Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

I have lived in Hamilton for the past 17 years and in Dundas for the past 13 years.

The residents of Hamilton overwhelming do NOT support any boundry expansion as evidenced by the results of the recent questionnaire. It would be a travesty if the wishes of the existing residents were not respected.

Projected population growth is just that - a projection. How accurate are these numbers? We don't need more sprawl. What we need is food and we need farmland to grow that food.

We elected you to represent the existing residents of Hamilton. We have told you what we want so PLEASE LISTEN to us.

Allison Fleming

Dundas , Ontario

**From:** Allison Clark  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 9:37 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Stop Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Let common sense prevail, stop sprawl!!! Insure there are no food shortages for your grandchildren and generations to come. Infill and improve the downtown and current boundaries. Fix the roads we have instead of spending millions on new services for expanded boundaries. I hope we don't hear the old phrase from our councillor "my hands are tied", that one is getting old. The powers that be need to think of the planet, not the \$\$\$\$\$\$.  
Allison and Richard Clark, Dundas.

Allison Clark

Dundas , Ontario

**From:** Amanda Boucher  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 9:34 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No urban boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

I am a resident of ward 7. I am writing to tell Hamilton council, especially my own councillor, Esther Pauls, that I am strongly opposed to expanding Hamilton's urban boundaries.

Boundary expansion is expensive. Extending infrastructure is expensive. Single family homes do not draw as much property tax as multi-unit, medium density housing. Expanding boundaries means increased driving, increased pollution, and worsening of climate change. Expanding boundaries into the "white belt" means permanent destruction of prime farm land. There are more efficient ways to create new, affordable housing units within current urban boundaries, that do not destroy sources of food for the people who will be housed.

Please, for the sake of residents of Hamilton and the entire world, do not expand urban boundaries.

Sincerely,

Amanda Boucher

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Hamilton,

**From:** Amie Allen  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 11:11 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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**From:** Andrea Kamermans  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 3:06 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]NO URBAN SPRAWL

Clerk City Clerk,

I have lived in Hamilton for my entire 70 years. I grew up on a 2 acre property which my parents bought under the VLA. It was surrounded by farms on Upper Sherman Ave. My father sold the property to a developer and all the farmers did the same. I don't recognise my old neighbourhood.

My husband and I lived in Ancaster for almost 30 years and moved away when a developer bought the huge property behind our home. We have lived in a seniors condo community for 11 years in Glanbrook and have been watching developers taking over more and more farm properties between here and the airport.

At the same time, we see that areas on the mountain and the downtown are readily available. We need to improve the downtown core and help those in need of affordable homes in areas which are already developed.

Hamilton is not Toronto and most of us prefer to keep it that way.

Developers only care about making more money. We don't need more monster homes in farm country. We don't need politicians who cater to what greedy developers want either. Do the right thing. Stop urban sprawl in its tracks.

Sincerely,

Andrea Kamermans

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Hamilton,





From: Andrew Dubé  
Sent: November 4, 2021 7:20 PM  
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Andrew DUBÉ

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**From:** Anne Van Impe  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:24 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Good Morning: Phil and Anne Van Impe here. We are against urban sprawl and want to see the desecration of our beautiful farm lands stop now. It is heartbreaking taking a drive through the Binbrook, Mount Hope and even Waterdown areas to see what is happening.

Anne Van Impe

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Anth Kev  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 11:47 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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**From:** Austra Jerumanis  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 2, 2021 5:00 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** STOP THE SPRAWL

Clerk City Clerk,

In the midst of a climate crisis, destroying farmlands and green spaces IS ABOUT THE MOST. IDIOTIC. SELFISH. EVIL ACT.

STOP DESTROYING OUR FUTURE.

Austra Jerumanis

Hamilton, Ontario

From: Barbara Ormond  
Sent: November 4, 2021 8:39 PM  
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Barb Ormond  
Hamilton

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** barbara DAVIS  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 10:01 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]To all the names above

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a long term resident and tax payer of Ancaster ( 65 years) I am strongly objecting to urban sprawl. I have seen too many changes to my village over the years. If I had wanted to be a city dweller I would have stayed in Hamilton. I understand that the roads and infrastructures are already over worked, poorly upkept. Our main roads are already too busy and not kept up to good repair. No one has explained to me how this is going to be a benefit to those of us who live here. Sincerely, Barbara Davis

barbara DAVIS

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Barbara Jalsevac  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:19 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Intensification within Hamilton Boundaries

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello. My name is Barbara Jalsevac and I live in Stoney Creek, ward 10. I am opposed to expanding the urban boundaries. We need to preserve farmland and green space. This will protect our food supply, and the environment and help to manage water flow.

There are plenty of lots and available land within the city boundaries. With LRT coming we need to build close to this convenience so that cars are needed less. Building beyond our city boundaries will increase the need for automobiles. Creative thinking is needed here. For example move the Stoney creek transfer station to an abandoned factory site on Burlington Street and build high density residential near the Go Station where the transfer station sits now. Please reject urban sprawl now and find the time to think outside the box regarding intensification. Thank you for being courageous. Regards, Barbara Jalsevac

Barbara Jalsevac

Stoney Creek, Ontario



From: Ian McSkimming  
Sent: November 4, 2021 4:41 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Sincerely  
Barbara McSkimming  
Hamilton Homeowner

**From:** Barbara Mead  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:49 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Urban Boundary

Clerk City Clerk,

A relatively new resident in the Strathcona neighbourhood, I moved here because of the access to the Victoria Park, Bayfront Park and the many walking and biking trails of this beautiful city. I downsized from a big house in Haldimand county to a condo overlooking the bay after retiring. I enjoy being able to walk to the Hamilton market and other stores and restaurants in and around downtown. The new GoTrain stop is walking distance from my residence, and eventually the LRT will reduce even more the need to drive in a car. As I learn about the empty lots and buildings, and closed schools within the city, I wonder what kind of vision supporters of urban expansion have for this city. Why would city planners and other government level representatives want to take up valuable farmland in one of Canada's most arable areas to build single family homes away from the city core where many of the things that attract people are available? The city would then have to be responsible for transit, waste management, emergency services and road maintenance in those areas. The ones that really gain are the developers. They build, then go away to some other site, leaving municipalities to manage everything. Also, how does this way of planning fit in with climate change objectives, such as reducing carbon emissions? If city policies are blocking development within the city, then time to change them, with a vision of a livable city for many levels of housing needs, including the homeless. The housing prices in Hamilton have gotten way out of control, with realtors bragging that a house sold way over asking. It is time all levels of government put restrictions on investors that flip houses and property for profit and drive up the price for the average home owner. Although I question the numbers projected, Hamilton needs a new vision for growth, which can be accommodated within the current urban boundaries.

Barbara Mead

Hamilton, Ontario



From: Barbara Ross  
Sent: November 4, 2021 6:25 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); Wilson, Maureen <[Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca)>  
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Barbara Ross  
Hamilton

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Beverly. Bressette  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:16 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Once you people vote to pave over our farm land where are we going to get our food from. Our dairy products. Our meat etc. You are not looking into the future. You are only interested in money in the coffers. Remember even if you are elderly and pass away. Our children and their families need to eat Pavement does not provide food

Beverly. Bressette  
Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Bill Desavigny  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 9:42 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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**From:** Bonnie Rich  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:31 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

My name is Bonnie Rich. I am a long time Hamilton resident and I currently live in ward 13. Hamilton is an amazing city set in a unique natural environment. Our current boundaries are broad enough to accommodate a growing population. Expansion is an answer that requires no imagination or commitment to the city and our people. Let's use all those parking lots and unused buildings in the core and along the Cannon, Barton corridor to welcome new residents and revitalize the city.

Be brave, stop sprawl, invite innovative developers to partner for a livable, walkable city. You can do it!

Thank you

Bonnie Rich

Dundas, Ontario

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**From:** brenda alcock  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 3:11 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** urban sprawl. message to the Mayor and Brad Clark.

Clerk City Clerk,

Good afternoon, my name is Brenda Alcock. I am opposed to the proposed urban expansion as I see good agricultural lands been depleted when there is lots of unused space around Hamilton . .With what is happening around the world ,including countries where we import many foodstuffs , it is a distinct possibility that our children and grandchildren will have to be farming food crops to replace that we cannot get from foreign places due to crop damages from climate ,change. We need to keep these lands for farming purpose not only now but in the years ahead.

brenda alcock

hannon, Ontario



**From:** brian walmsley

**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:32 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** surely we can find plenty of non agricultural land to build on, as well as infill.

Clerk City Clerk,

Plus leave the heritage buildings be.

Brian Walmsley. Ancaster

brian walmsley

ancaster,

From: Dorothy Malcolm  
Sent: November 4, 2021 6:40 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Cc: Farr, Jason <[Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca](mailto:Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca)>  
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Bruce Malcolm  
Sent from my iPad

**From:** Candace Burgess **Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:09 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

To whom it may concern,

My name is Candace and I would like the government to build in current city spaces focusing on buildings that will support many families and not expand the urban boundary more with large single family detached homes.

We need to build more smaller homes and higher density condo buildings for 1st time buyers....and focus on low emissions and environmentally friendly options.

We are losing our farm lands and we won't be able to feed our families! This land needs to be preserved for future generations.

Thank you

Candace Burgess

Candace Burgess

Ancaster, ON

**From:** Carleon Hardie **Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:25 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop Urban Sprawl.

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello. I am Carleon Hardie, wife and mother of 2 and we live in Dundas. When we settled on buying our home 21 years ago in Pleasant Valley, I thought we were moving to Siberia. I grew up on the East Mountain where I could walk to stores, the library, schools, and some entertainment. It took me a few years to realize it was a longer walk but there were many of those things here too. That was a relief! I think that to maintain the health of the planet we need to keep the residential areas where we live, work, and play walkable. If that means more high density buildings then let's build those on abandoned brown fields and underused spaces within the current boundary. Keep them carbon neutral too as much as possible! I say no to urban boundary expansion!! Thank you, Carleon.

Carleon Hardie

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** Carly Woods  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 9:14 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Vote against city sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Good morning,

My name is Carly Woods and I am a Hamilton resident. I call Ward 3 home, downtown by the Tim Hortons field. I am writing to urge action against city sprawl. Accessible housing is, to put it lightly, a significant issue and I believe is better addressed through building up, instead of out. Increasing population density promotes communities where residents don't require their own vehicle to live and have their wants and needs met. This reduces traffic congestion and the risk of a "commuter" city and lifestyle where one needs to drive everywhere and the city becomes a lifeless empty office building wasteland after 5:00.

I apologize for the hyperbole. Thank you for your time, consideration and for your service.

Kindly,

Carly

Carly Woods

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Carole-Ann Durran  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:44 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop The Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a very concerned citizen of Ancaster who wants you NOT to vote for this expansion of the City of Hamilton boundaries.

We are already too dependent on other countries for our agricultural needs. Once it is paved over there is no bring back these valuable rich acreages.

We also don't need the extra pollution that comes with more traffic and infrastructure.

Build up not out in the area we now have.

Carole-Ann Durran

Ancaster, Ontario

**From:** Catharine Ozols

**Sent:** November 5, 2021 8:43 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Be bold. Be brave. Vote no boundary expansion.

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Catharine Ozols from Mt Hope. Members of my family have lived and farmed in in Mt Hope for several generations. Our farm on Chippewa Road West is the only one that remains in our family. With urban sprawl and land speculation, my husband and I are likely the last generation to be able to afford that luxury. Our children certainly cannot - nor can they currently afford to buy any home in the Hamilton area.

We oppose boundary expansion for the simple fact that it will destroy agricultural land which is a limited and valuable resource. We will always need to feed people - especially in a climate crisis.

There is room within the current urban boundary to create affordable housing in an area where the infrastructure already exists. Where public transit already exists. Where communities already exist ... but are struggling.

This is a chance to build a vibrant city while keeping irreplaceable resources in place for future generations.

Please vote no to boundary expansion for future Hamilton citizens. Be bold. Be brave. Be forward thinking.

Cathy

Catharine Ozols

Mt. Hope, Ontario





**From:** Catherine Smith  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:17 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Sprawl!

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello, I am an owner in Hamilton's Ward 1 and I feel strongly that we should not be extending the urban boundary. I am very concerned about our environment and removing land from agricultural or natural state in favour of a larger development footprint is not good for our long term health and existence. There is still a lot of space in Hamilton proper for adding housing between the big and the small. There are many cities who have a much higher urban density and are thriving. Please don't cave to the developers, they do not have the people's interests at heart.

Catherine Smith

Hamilton, Ontario

From: Cathy mcPherson  
Sent: November 5, 2021 9:15 AM  
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Sent: November 4, 2021 6:55 PM  
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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Charlotte Tisdale  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:59 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi! My name is Charlotte and in light of the upcoming vote about whether or not to expand the urban boundary, I thought I'd write to explain why I urge you to vote against sprawl. My first point is that the vote conducted about this topic overwhelmingly indicated your population is against sprawl. The second is that there is infrastructure within the community in desperate need of attention and funding that could alleviate the concerns of population growth. You already know this, but I thought it important to remind you to vote with the current population's interest in mind.

Thank you,  
Charlotte

Charlotte Tisdale

Dundas, Ontario

**From:****Sent:** November 5, 2021 4:13 AM**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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Please honour your commitment to serve the people Hamilton.

Chris Motherwell

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**From:** Christine Brown  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 10:19 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Simply put, without my having any self interest beyond that which supports a sustainable future, I ask you to recognize that enabling urban sprawl would be incompatible with our declaration of the climate emergency.

Let us be consistent and listen to the citizens who have spoken to respect the urban boundary. Within the existing urban boundary we have much work to do to improve infrastructure for sewer and water treatment. Let us not demand more of an inadequate system with load beyond the existing boundary. The city of Hamilton's carrying capacity is already overloaded and transportation service inadequate. Urban sprawl is reliant on a car culture which is not supportive of the need to heed climate change demands.

Let us be brilliant and develop within our urban boundary and live with a bigger picture in mind.

Yours truly,  
Christine Brown

Christine Brown

Ancaster, Ontario

From: Christopher Anand  
Sent: November 5, 2021 10:15 AM  
To: VanderBeek, Arlene <[Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca](mailto:Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca)>  
Cc: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Subject: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

Dear Arlene,

For decades we could enjoy trips to Webster Falls without a reservation, book camping trips in Algonquin park at the last minute, and make appointments around the GTA without paying a congestion tax.

If we follow the path favoured by Doug Ford's cronies, our region will be unliveable for all but the super rich flying around on helicopters.

Living in Dundas, we will be among the most privileged in the province, but unless we are also remote workers, we will still suffer from the compounding infrastructure deficit caused by building low density neighbourhoods with inadequate public transportation and greenspace, and without the tax base to pay for infrastructure upgrades when they are needed.

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Christopher Anand



Dundas, ON

**From:** Cindy Stover  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 3:03 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** NO to expanding the Urban Boundary

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello Ministers, Councillors and Mayor,

I oppose the expansion of the urban boundary for two reasons.

One, we need to protect the existing farmland and natural spaces we have left - for food security, and also to be good stewards of nature. It's our job now to preserve these spaces for future generations.

Two, I support housing density. I live downtown, near Beasley Park, and we're surrounded by giant parking lots that could be better put to use for mid and high rise housing. Building more housing density, including mandated affordable units, is a better solution to population growth. This not only creates vibrant urban communities, but ensures that the growth of our city is not only accessible by the wealthy (who can afford to live in the suburbs or expensive condos), but by people from all socio-economic levels.

Please vote NO to expanding the urban boundary.

Thanks,

Cindy Stover  
Hamilton, ON

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Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Claire Hutchinson  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:30 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Sprawl - Better Solutions within City

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello, my name is Claire and I have lived in Hamilton for most of my life (36 years). In that time I have seen countless buildings (many situated on King St.) that have sat there, empty, some of them boarded for years, even decades. We are in dire need of affordable housing AND to properly support the new LRT you need high density living nearby. Revitalize Hamilton's downtown by giving new life to the many buildings that are already there. It will cost tax payers less, avoid irrevocably destroying farm land, and give opportunity for development that could include affordable housing, which urban sprawl does not. I am tired of seeing 2km of depressing empty storefronts and vacant buildings on King St and surrounding area. Hamiltonians deserve better than that and a perfect time to make good use of them is right now!

Claire

Claire Hutchinson

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Clarence Porter  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 3:42 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** STOP THE URBAN BOUNDARY EXPANSION

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Clarence Porter. I'm a Toronto transplant who has lived here in Hamilton since 2001. It took a few years for me to drop my Toronto attitude to find out how wonderful a place Hamilton really was to live: from it's arts, it's health and science industries, and most importantly it's myriad of green spaces. Hamilton's arts and green spaces are what I brag about the most to my TO friends. In the name of environmental justice, let's not do urban boundary expansion. Leave the green. God knows we need more of it.

Clarence Porter

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** CLAUDIA ESPINDOLA  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:27 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]NO TO SPRAWL

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello Councillor Lloyd Ferguson - I do not support any more land expansion, Green Belt should be left as is, we have lost almost 75% of our wetlands, you are compromising our future, voters trust that the Government will look after its citizens and you have failed us miserably by favoring developers that "contribute" to your campaigns while the people, flora and fauna are left to suffer. Please say no to any more expansion and no to Highways.

CLAUDIA ESPINDOLA

Guelph

**From:** Colin Marshall  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 3:51 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop the sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Colin Marshall I have lived in Stoney Creek for more than 40 years I have seen too much sprawling in my time living here. We cannot afford to keep paving over valuable farm land . too much of our food already comes from outside of Canada with some of it not in the best of condition with recalls because often contamination. More of our food must've be produced locally and safely. Once the land is paved it can't never be useful again for agriculture. There is plenty of land within the boundary for more housing .

Colin Marshall

Stoney Creek, Ontario





**From:** Colleen Heap  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:13 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Hamilton Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a homeowner in the village of Binbrook. Our area will be directly affected by the increase. The sensible area of growth would be in the area of the LRT. Already our schools and roads cannot support the growth we have. Please NO to urban expansion.

Colleen Heap

Binbrook , Ontario

**From:** Colleen Mcconnell  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 11:05 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop the sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Colleen McConnell and I live in Ward 3. Please do not let our beautiful city sprawl out like some wild, uncontrolled animal. We have many vacant buildings downtown that can be reconverted. Density is hip! I don't want this glorious city to end up like some of the of the cities in the States. Let's be Paris, not L.A.

Colleen Mcconnell

Hamilton, Ontario

From: Connie Priest-Brown  
Sent: November 4, 2021 6:54 PM  
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**Sent:** November 4, 2021 9:48 PM  
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Thank you for your hard work and dedication.

Sincerely,

Corey Wood

**From:** D Jovic  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:49 PM  
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I'm sick of seeing every bit of "empty" land (especially around the red Hill/Linc and the farm areas beyond rymal) being sold off for more strip malls or endless townhouse complexes. This is destroying nature and agricultural land (we should be supporting family farms) to enrich a handful of builders. There are plenty of places downtown that could be converted to housing....

Thank you,

D. Jovic

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**From:** Dale Schustyk  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:59 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Say NO to urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Dale Schustyk and I have been a resident of Wad 4 in Hamilton since 1975. I want to express my view that expanding the urban boundary is wrong for the environment and for taxpayers. Building on prime farmland only benefits the developers. It will be the taxpayers who will have to foot the bill for services and once the farmland is gone there is no getting it back. There is plenty of underused property within the current boundaries and spreading out will only add to the number of people commuting further distances. We're supposed to be cutting back on the use of cars and going greener to save the planet from global warming. Every wrong decision, like this proposed expansion, adds up and makes it harder to reach the goal of reducing greenhouse gas. The developers say we need more housing but what they have in mind isn't affordable housing. It will be more mega houses that only the rich can afford. Let them build affordable housing within the current boundaries. Please do the right thing and don't be pressured and misled by the provincial government because they, in turn, are being pressured by the developers with only their own profits in mind.

Stop urban sprawl ... save our farmland!

Dale Schustyk

Dale Schustyk

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Daniel Gardiner  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 10:46 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No Urban Boundry Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

I have lived in Hamilton- Wentworth my entire life (70 Years). Urban sprawl across prime farm land is a disservice to our future generations and another insult to the global warming crisis. I encourage you to think about your grand children and great grand children's future. The urban boundary expansion plan will not serve them well. (Personally I think there is a lot of merit to the Native idea of caring for seven generations into the future.) As we look back at past politicians who allowed the polluting of the Harbour and Great Lakes with unfavorable thoughts and feelings. Supporting the urban boundry expansion will similarly damage your legacy. Please stop the sprawl.

Daniel Gardiner

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Daniel Quaglia  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:39 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** NO to Urban Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Daniel Quaglia, and I have lived in Hamilton my entire life (30 years). I currently live in Ward 6, and my partner and I will become parents in the new year. We want to live in a city that preserves vital farmland and makes decisions with the impending climate crisis in mind. By saying no to urban expansion, you are standing up for this great city and its residents. By building on under-utilized land within the city limits, we can create more affordable, walkable, bikeable and less car-dependent neighbourhoods. The alternative is lining the pockets of wealthy developers who will pave over prime agricultural land to fit as many car-dependent residential subdivisions as they can (maximize profit at all costs at the expense of the community and planet). The notion of housing becoming more affordable if we let developers have their way with our beautiful city is absolutely insulting.

I want to live in a city that preserves vital farmland, makes environmentally conscious decisions, and plans for an equitable and sustainable future. Say NO to sprawl on November 9th.

Daniel Quaglia

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Daniella Lato, PhD  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:27 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

I live in the Ward 1 neighborhood. Every day, I walk past empty parking lots, vacant and abandoned properties and underutilized spaces in Hamilton. I speak to friends, family members and neighbors about our housing crisis. Every day, I see our unhoused residents in tents. Sprawl is no the answer to our problems. Single family housing surrounded by bright green lawns is not the answer to our problem.

At a time when Hamilton is at a critical crossroads of infrastructure building, with the imminent construction of LRT and the recent all-day GO service, we need density more than ever. Our downtown is a beautiful collection of historic buildings, surrounded by endless potential.

At every parking lot, I see potential. From mixed income housing to the "missing middle" density to proposed-built apartment buildings. There is room in Hamilton's existing urban boundary for so much more. Developers, looking to make more money on the backs of our farmers, our workers, and our unhoused, are demanding an urban boundary expansion - because building suburbs is easy. It's easy money, it's easy selling.

What we are missing is a commitment to the vibrancy of our existing city. A commitment to building within our boundaries. We have a responsibility to our neighbours, to our future residents, and to our environment to say NO to urban boundary expansion. I will remind you that Hamilton residents overwhelmingly supported the NO option on a recent city-produced survey. This is the survey that should be considered in these decisions, not a survey paid for by developers. As city representatives, you represent the interests of THE RESIDENTS of Hamilton. Not, developers.

Residents have spoken, and you should listen.

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Daniella Lato, PhD  
Ward 1 Resident

Daniella Lato, PhD

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Danielle Lancia  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:09 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

I am a Greensville resident, a wife, a mom of two young boys and a paramedic.

I am asking you to please vote to not expand our urban boundary. We chose to live in the GTHA because we love the easy access to outdoors, the ability to visit local farms, meet the hardworking families and purchase local fruits, vegetables and meats.

Building more suburban areas is expensive for cities (taxpayers) and doesn't address the needs of the Hamilton residents. We need access to local food and farms. We need affordable housing options with easy access to transit and public services. In areas that are easily accessible to people from all walks of life and casts.

Suburban housing is becoming unaffordable for most Canadian families. Please consider repurposing the unused land within the city boundaries or condemned buildings that can be restored or rebuilt.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Danielle Lancia

Danielle Lancia

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** David Hitchcock  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:48 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** urban boundary

Clerk City Clerk,

I have lived in Greater Hamilton since 1948. I have watched some of Ontario's best farmland, on the south mountain, be swallowed up by sub-divisions. It is time to put a stop to this encroachment and to make our city more compact, with more of the "missing middle" between detached homes and high-rise towers. I live in Westdale in Ward 1, where there is ample scope for apartment buildings along Main West (in this case high-rise towers) that will provide appropriate student housing and allow the single-family dwellings now used as "student houses" to go back to owner-occupied homes where people raise their children. This shift is already happening and will continue to happen as projects now in the pipeline come on stream and the LRT is built. Hamilton can grow within its present boundaries, and will be a better place to live as a result.

David Hitchcock

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** David Krysko  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:27 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** We need food. Cities can grow up.

Clerk City Clerk,

Once agricultural land is developed it is gone for good.

We have very little agricultural land in Canada.

I am in Rosedale and there are a lot of places to build up and keep the farms and nature.

Grow up and not out.

Respectfully, Dave.

David Krysko

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** David Quackenbush  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:19 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

My name is David Quackenbush. I own a single family home in the Gibson neighborhood of Hamilton. I believe that new housing in this city should be created through density not expansion. Developers would love approval to pave over farmland and build low density neighborhoods as it requires the least capital and produces the highest margins. This is not in line with the interests of the residents of this city. We deserve to see increased density which will bring a revival to inner city neighborhoods and be in line with money already being spent on mass transit in the city. It is important that Hamilton council vote for no boundary expansion.

Thank you for your attention and best regards,

David Quackenbush

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Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** David Zizzo  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:37 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Urban boundary expansion is a short sighted solution to growth. If approved, eventually this land will reach capacity and the question of where to place people will have to be dealt with again. This issue should be tackled now and not be passed on to future generations.

David Zizzo

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Ancaster, Ontario

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**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:40 PM  
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Dianne Wojcik  
Dundas, ON

**From:** Don McLean  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:38 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Grant us a future

Clerk City Clerk,

I'm a senior who has lived in Hamilton for 44 years and currently reside in the city's west end. I have spent my life working for social and environmental justice and will continue to do that in the time I have left. From long years teaching environmental studies at two universities, and much personal research, I know how urban growth patterns and decisions are crucial to all our futures in Hamilton and Ontario and beyond. We have no time left to avoid a climatic and ecological catastrophe with more foolish growth decisions.

ANY expansion of the urban boundary in Hamilton will make our future worse. Any more loss of Ontario farmland is criminal in my view and will soon be seen that way by the vast majority. We need to take every step possible to slash our climate-destructive emissions as quickly as possible. Our refusal to do this is already killing tens of thousands of people across the globe every year, and that will get worse and worse for at least 30-40 years even if we stopped all pollution immediately.

The provincial government growth policies do not serve the interests of the people and other living species in Ontario. We have gone from some positive but insufficient policies under the previous government to an all-out assault on the future by the current government. Municipal governments must not submit to provincial dictates that are climate and community destructive.

Freezing the Hamilton urban boundary is a MINIMUM first step to addressing the climate and ecological crises as well as the enormous fiscal hole in the municipal budget, and the extensive deterioration in the social situation in Hamilton.

Sincerely,

Don McLean

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Donald Shaw  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 10:48 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Yours truly,  
Don Shaw

**From:** tophat

**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:44 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); VanderBeek, Arlene <[Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca](mailto:Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca)>

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Urban sprawl isn’t just damaging to nature, it makes climate change worse by reducing green space and making people more reliant on their cars. It also increases costs to municipalities - and taxpayers - in providing essential services, and raises the risk of flooding by paving vital flood lands.

The No Urban Boundary Expansion option is the only way for Hamilton to grow sustainably, while saving thousands of acres of farmland and protecting local food sources. It will help build more vibrant, walkable neighbourhoods, support better public transit and help keep schools open - **a win-win for communities and the environment.**

Thank you  
Donna McRae

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

**From:** Donna Rutherford  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:08 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

We live on the border of the City of Hamilton and strongly object to the expansion of urban housing.

Already the town of Binbrook is expanding way too quickly encroaching on much needed farm land. There are not enough farmers producing food for us so that we have to rely on imported foods which increases the carbon footprint; especially when so much food comes from China.

Instead, the City of Hamilton should be focusing on unused industrial properties to create affordable housing.

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Caistor Centre, Ontario

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**From:** Doug Rouse  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:34 PM  
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**From:** Ed Ellis **Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:33 PM  
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Edward Ellis.

**From:** Edda Engel  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:43 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop the sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

We have lived in the Hannon area for over 50 years. The increase in traffic on Upper Centennial, Regional Twenty, and Rymal Road East appears to have been quadrupled. The cost of bringing sewers and water up here has been costly. The prices of the new townhouses are not affordable. The city of Hamilton's is incapable of handling all the waste and the drinking water is affected. STOP using up farmlands and build within the city. City council must stand up and listen to the citizens and stand up to the provincial government who appears to have the developers in their back pockets.

Edda Engel

Hamilton , Ontario

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**From:** Edward Mizzi  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:21 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello, My name is Ed Mizzi and I reside in Flamborough, specifically Waterdown. I ask you to please stop urban sprawl, a philosophy and activity that has had devastating consequences for our farmers and farmland, and, in turn, for those who consume the food we grow locally. There are ways to promote urban growth without extending the present boundaries of cities and these better solutions will help preserve the rural areas we depend on for food and recreation.

Please vote and say NO to Urban Sprawl.

Thank you

Ed Mizzi

Edward Mizzi

Waterdown,

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From: ehylton ehylton  
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Edwina Hylton Greensville. Ontario

**From:** Eimilidh McQueen  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 6:32 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Please NO SPRAWL!

Clerk City Clerk,

Our city is defined by it's beautiful forests, waterfalls, parks, and by it's boarded up storefronts, condemned buildings and vastly over-priced housing options. To destroy the former instead of creating new opportunity in areas of need will leave us all poorer. I understand that development companies don't make as much money as quickly by developing individual lots instead of acres at a time, however I truly believe that we will give our children the better world they deserve by repairing what we have rather than trying to create more box stores and cookie cutter homes they won't be able to afford. Thank you for your consideration.

Eimilidh McQueen

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** elisabeth popovic  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:10 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a resident of Ward 3, and work in a field that allows me to see and speak to many people. All of us agree that the existing infrastructure needs to be repaired and utilized, which means intensification where these infrastructures exist. You cannot reduce house prices and house the less fortunate whee a car is required. We must make use of what we have here, close to the new LRT and other transit, as well as close to.doctors.snd grocery stores. Single family homes out away from existing stores and neighborhoods do nothing to help the situation, and we can't eat subdivisions..... We NEED farmland.

Please so not support the developers.

elisabeth popovic

hamilton, Ontario

**From:** estallelizabeth  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:37 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Hamilton  
Ward 2

Sent from my Bell Samsung device over Canada's largest network.



From: Ellen Morris  
Sent: November 4, 2021 11:43 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Cc: Nann, Nrinder <[Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca](mailto:Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca)>  
Subject: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

Yes, I'm sending you this email unaltered because it expresses my sentiments and articulates my wishes to a tee. No doubt many people are doing the same. This should not diminish our message. STOP THE SPRAWL!

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Thank You for respecting my wishes,

Ellen Morris  
Hamilton

Sent from my iPad



**From:** Ellen Southall

**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:11 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** Dear Hamilton Councillors. Please make a final vote on NO Expansion. I live in West Hamilton & I want to see us develop our city neighborhoods within our boundaries. Along with LRT we can build a vibrant core.

Clerk City Clerk,

Tip: Introduce yourself and write in your own words why you don't want an urban boundary expansion [DELETE this Tip before sending]

Ellen Southall

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Emily Kam  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:22 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Walk the walk for our future

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Emily Kam and am a west mountain Hamilton resident. I am 33 years old, teacher, with a 1 year old daughter. We need to do better, Hamilton has declared a climate crisis and taking up new lands with more expansion and all the impacts that come with that should not be a consideration. Think of the future of our species and not developers who won't be building homes for those who need them or 'affordable' housing. I urge you to think not of dollars but of our earth and littles like mine who we are borrowing it from.

Emily Kam

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Erica Franklin

**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:38 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No Sprawl/No Urban Boundary Growth For Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

My name is Erica Franklin and I am a resident of Ward 3. I am strongly opposed to urban boundary growth. The farmland and natural areas around Hamilton should be preserved. Part of Hamilton's beauty and charm is the proximity of natural areas and farm land so close to the downtown core. Please do not allow developers to ruin the beauty of Hamilton. We also need farm land and natural areas to mitigate flooding and the climate crisis, to house a number of species, etc. Thank you.

Erica Franklin

Erica Franklin

HAMILTON, Ontario

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**From:** Erica Li  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:43 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Cc:** VanderBeek, Arlene <[Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca](mailto:Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca)>  
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Erica Li  
Residing in Ward 13, postal code

**From:** Esme Tondreau  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:35 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Esme Tondreau and I am a long-time resident of Ward 1. I am writing to advocate against expanding the urban boundary and against urban sprawl. Our farmlands hold extreme economic and ecological value that we cannot afford to pave over. Once we lose a piece of that land, it is gone for good. Suburban sprawl will also increase our taxes, contribute to polluted waterways, and contribute massive amounts of greenhouse gas emissions. The public has shown overwhelming support for internal growth and housing densification — we do not want a boundary expansion. As councillors, it is your role to listen to the public and act in the best interest of the public and municipality. How is allowing new suburban builds on the outskirts of the city acting within the best interests of your citizens when we have told you that that is not what we want or need? How will the increased costs of financing this development and dealing with the subsequent environmental problems help Hamilton residents, now and in the future? I implore you to consider how this development will negatively impact Hamiltonians now and how it will impact our future generations. We cannot afford unsustainable development. Vote NO to the urban boundary expansion.

Esme Tondreau

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Evelyn LaMarsh  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 6:56 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** NO urban sprawl please and thank you!

There is enough opportunity within the existing boundary to increase density.

Legal second suites and accessory dwelling units (Garden suites) will have an important role to play in providing more dense affordable housing.

As a current landlord in Hamilton, I plan to be part of the solution by adding garden suites and basement apartments to houses I already own to help provide more units, and more affordable housing within the current boundary.

Evelyn LaMarsh

Hamilton, ON

From: EWA RAKOWSKI  
Sent: November 5, 2021 9:14 AM  
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Sent from my iPad

**From:** Frances Murray  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:29 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Land Use Planning Decision

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Frances Murray, and I live in Ward 2.

You've heard from me on this issue, and I don't have a lot to add. I just want to reiterate that Canada as a country, and each of its municipalities, \*has\* to get its land use under control. We are gobbling our remaining farmland at a terrifying rate based on an out-of-date worldview -- that land, waterways and wildlife are infinite and can be destroyed to make certain people rich. That worldview is disastrous for our climate, our natural areas and for future generations when farmland will be in short supply.

Please don't give in to the pressure to add to our already sprawling city. In addition to the above, we cannot afford to maintain what we've currently built. Building out into farther reaches of the municipality is insanity.

Thank you.

Frances Murray

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Fushia Featherstone-Mikic  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:26 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Fushia Featherstone and I urge you not to say ya to urban sprawl. While housing needs do need to b addressed, using prime farmland to do so, especially as we enter the final day to end or slow climate change, is morally reprehensible.

Thank you.

Fushia Featherstone-Mikic

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Gabriel Nicholson

**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 4:17 PM

**To:** Office of the Mayor <[Officeofthe.Mayor@hamilton.ca](mailto:Officeofthe.Mayor@hamilton.ca)>; [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); Ward 1 Office <[ward1@hamilton.ca](mailto:ward1@hamilton.ca)>; Farr, Jason <[Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca](mailto:Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca)>; Nann, Nrinder <[Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca](mailto:Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca)>; Merulla, Sam <[Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca](mailto:Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca)>; Jackson, Tom <[Tom.Jackson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Tom.Jackson@hamilton.ca)>; Pauls, Esther <[Esther.Pauls@hamilton.ca](mailto:Esther.Pauls@hamilton.ca)>; Ward 8 Office <[ward8@hamilton.ca](mailto:ward8@hamilton.ca)>; Clark, Brad <[Brad.Clark@hamilton.ca](mailto:Brad.Clark@hamilton.ca)>; Pearson, Maria <[Maria.Pearson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Maria.Pearson@hamilton.ca)>; Johnson, Brenda <[Brenda.Johnson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Brenda.Johnson@hamilton.ca)>; Ferguson, Lloyd <[Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca)>; VanderBeek, Arlene <[Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca](mailto:Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca)>; Whitehead, Terry <[Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca](mailto:Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca)>; Partridge, Judi <[Judi.Partridge@hamilton.ca](mailto:Judi.Partridge@hamilton.ca)>; Thorne, Jason <[Jason.Thorne@hamilton.ca](mailto:Jason.Thorne@hamilton.ca)>

**Subject:** GIC Nov 9 GRIDS

Hello,

If the op-ed ideology put forth by Paul Shaker recently in the Spectator is adopted by this council - "LRT is the key to a firm urban boundary"; the only conclusion that can be taken from that is our Planning staff is grossly incompetent and should all be fired.

During GRIDS 1 projecting for a population of 660,000 by 2031 they told us we could expect 7,000 of an estimated 42,000 units to be built in Lower Hamilton.

During the Transit Oriented Corridor planning in 2016, our General Manager zoned the whole line and determined we could expect 5,000 units to be added within the confines of the transit corridor.

Provincial Targets imposed on us reached 780,000 by 2041 and then recently revised to 820,000 by 2051.

That's almost 100,000 units we need to grow our city. If 7,000 (including the 5,000 in the transit corridor) can be built in Lower Hamilton that leaves 93,000 units elsewhere.

There's a simple solution to this requirement, considering the majority of land is private property.

We're going to expand the urban boundary, and you can responsibly zone it to prevent monster homes and if needed add a Special Policy Area for development charges.

Almost 16,000 Hamiltonians who support Stop Sprawl jargon will then sell their houses (and there is some nice houses in the mix, including some mansions) and move into apartments, as they wish onto future Hamiltonians. Obviously they will sell at a discount to assure affordability. Pooling this money will generate a fund of 10's of millions of dollars that they can then use to buy any pieces of property they don't want to change. They could even become farmers.

The same goes for any greyfield land - the land supposedly that will accommodate intensification targets on; except that's all private property. They can pay the premium that will be required to acquire these lands and then develop their own apartment buildings, which I'm sure they will be subsidizing to ensure affordability.

LRT was purchased with the mantra that it is needed because Hamilton is growing to 780,000 by 2041. Throughout the years staff have consistently advised that the majority of new growth would occur in lower density areas and the boundary expansion.

Metrolinx outright lied in the LRT King Main Business Case when they said

"The population of the city is planned to grow from the current 500,000 residents to an anticipated population of 660,000 residents while employment is expected to grow to 300,000 jobs by 2031. Much of this residential and employment growth is expected to occur in the Downtown Hamilton Urban Growth Centre"

Much is not 7,000 units in Lower Hamilton of an expected 42,000.

Not choosing the Boundary Expansion jeopardizes the hoped for LRT project.

Not choosing the Boundary Expansion just labels staff incompetent.

Make the right choice.

regards,  
gabriel nicholson

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Gary F. Macdonald, C.I.M., C.Mgr.



**From:** Georgia Thomson McWilliams  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 11:51 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Hamilton Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

To whom it may concern,

My name is Georgia Thomson-McWilliams, I am a resident of Ancaster, Hamilton.

I am writing you today because I strongly oppose the 'Hamilton Sprawl' as it involves the destruction of prime Southern-Ontario farmland; land we will so desperately need for agricultural development as climate change worsens. Frankly, I am appalled that the Ontario government doesn't recognize this, and wishes to develop this land for housing that does not meet the needs of Hamiltonians. Considering the current housing market and lack of affordable housing, would it not be wiser to invest in the development of such affordable housing within the city, where our homelessness crisis worsens, rather than luxurious developments on land which the city residents wish to preserve? After the COVID-19 Pandemic has been so economically devastating for families and individuals alike, these developments are blatantly out of touch with reality.

Do your priorities lie in self-interest, or the will of your constituents?

I, personally, will vote in the upcoming election in accordance with support and dissent of this proposal. From listening to friends, family, and colleagues, I know I will not be alone. You are holding public office, it is time you listen to the public.

Regards,  
Georgia Thomson-McWilliams

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Ancaster, Ontario

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**From:** Alders, Gesine  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:27 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Cc:** Office of Ward 3 City Councillor Nrinder Nann <[ward3@hamilton.ca](mailto:ward3@hamilton.ca)>  
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Gésine Alders

Hamilton, Ontario

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**BRIGHTER WORLD**



**From:** Gord & Angie McNulty **Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:28 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** We support Option 2 No UBE

Clerk City Clerk,

We live in Ward One and support Option 2 No Urban Boundary Expansion.

We oppose opening more farmland and rural areas to residential development when there are plenty of areas within Hamilton to develop in a more economically and environmentally sustainable way. The costs of servicing development in Elfrida and the Whitebelt lands will exacerbate Hamilton's serious infrastructure deficit. A focus on intensification, especially north of Mohawk Road to the harbour, would serve Hamilton better.

The growing concerns about urban sprawl expressed by many residents are shared in the city staff's evaluation report. While favouring Option 1, staff point out that Option 2 "better addresses the Growth Allocation, Climate Change, Transportation System, Natural Heritage and Water Resources, and Agricultural System Themes." That's a really convincing case for Option 2!

We especially oppose development in Elfrida that would inevitably lead to the irretrievable loss of habitat for the significant bird population in that community.

By supporting Option 2, council will send a strong message to the provincial government that Hamilton and neighbouring communities believe the protection of farmland and rural areas should take priority in planning to sustain a good quality of life in the already heavily developed Golden Horseshoe.

Thank you.

Gord & Angie McNulty

Hamilton, Ontario

From: Smith92  
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Gord Smith  
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Sent from my iPhone

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Grant Linney  
Ward 13 Dundas

P.S. Do you understand that a 90% vote reflects the “will of the people”???

**From:** Greg Canton  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:38 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No to Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Good afternoon, my name is Greg Canton and I am a Ward 5 resident in Stoney Creek. I'd like to quickly write and implore you to vote no on Urban Boundary Expansion. This is a decision that cannot be reversed. Once this prime agriculture land is gone it will never be recovered. When will it stop if not now? We are smarter than this.

Thank you for your time.

Greg Canton

Stoney Creek, Ontario



**From:** Harold Smith

**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:22 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** Please say no to sprawl. Paving farmland is totally unnecessary when densification options within the city exist.

Clerk City Clerk,

Tip: Introduce yourself and write in your own words why you don't want an urban boundary expansion [DELETE this Tip before sending]

Harold Smith

Toronto, Ontario

**From:** Harshal Patel  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:47 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Good day,

My name is Harshal Patel; my family, neighbours, colleagues and community and I feel the planned urban boundary expansion is not in our best interest.

We need that farm land and natural environment for our future and our children's future.

In this age of climate change and what it is doing to our surroundings (which we can clearly see), everyone has to do something to help us all survive for the decades to come. It is important to conserve, protect what we have and let it grow. Agriculture/food is an important commodity and we can't just ignore and destroy it like this.

Not to mention the waste and pollution the proposed expansion would create will drastically affect us all in the long term.

This is for all of us. Stop the sprawl!

Harshal Patel

Ancaster, Ontario

**From:** Heather Ewart/Cooper  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:53 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I have lived in west Hamilton for almost 50 years. The encroachment of sprawl in that time is more than enough. It's time for politicians to look hard at what is already happening to our environment and solve issues in front of our community without destroying it in the process. Elected representatives don't own the region and need to bear in mind that voters will remember sell-outs from all levels of government.

Heather Ewart/Cooper

Hamilton, Ontario

From: Helen Gzik  
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Helen Gzik - resident Hamilton, Ontario Sent from my iPad

**From:** Helen Sadowski  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 5:25 PM  
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**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Option 2 - No More Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi. I am Helen Todd, living in ward 14, on Hamilton's west mountain.

I am asking you to prevent more urban sprawl by not adding 3300 acres of prime agricultural land to the City of Hamilton's boundary. The COVID-19 pandemic has shown us that we need farmers to continue to produce as much local food and food products as possible for the residents of Hamilton and the surrounding areas.

Schools, on large properties, are for sale in Hamilton but the City does not want to buy the land. Why not use those properties for housing developments? Some already have playgrounds/parks on the properties which could be used by residents of the new developments.

Develop the land that is currently available but not being used.

Thanks for reading.

Helen Todd

Hamilton, Ontario

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Thank you,  
Hilary Lyttle

**From:** H Brose  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 5:59 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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**From:** Inderjit Gill  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 3:56 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I don't want an urban boundary expansion

Inderjit Gill

Ancaster,

**From:** Jackeline Forkel

**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:40 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** No To Boundary Expansion: This is an issue of where to build houses people NEED

Clerk City Clerk,

This email is to plead for "No Boundary Expansion" scenario.

Please fight for the good of the people and agricultural lands in the city of Hamilton. Please say no to the urban boundary expansion and say yes to build houses that people need and can afford within the existing city limits.

If the Covid-19 pandemic has taught us anything its the importance of food security, the rapidly changing climate, importance of physical and mental health and the need to a safe home and community to live in. This means saving the farm lands to produce locally grown food, doing our part to combat climate change by preventing Hamilton from becoming the 'Tar Sands'. Planning for internal development and investing in the existing urban space will ensure Hamilton residents can thrive, work and live in the same community. Expanding beyond our current boundary means more money into developers pockets, not for the good our residents. Hamilton residents won't be able to afford housing in new sub-divisions as the developer sets the price... and they have become monsters in the last 10 years! People that work in this city need to have the ability to live and make a home in the same city; a clean and safe community!

As a Hamilton resident who has recently purchased my first home I can share the heartache and frustration of the process... wanting to build a home for myself in the city I work in and almost not being able to because of insane housing prices due to foreign investors and developers setting the price.

So I ask you, invest in the people of Hamilton by investing in the existing urban area. Lets make this city thrive and not become a dump with abandoned buildings and storefronts.

Thank you for your time and considering this call to action.

Jackeline Forkel

Stoney Creek,

**From:** Jackie Beaudin  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:41 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** STOP URBAN SPRAWL NOW

Clerk City Clerk,

I am Jackie Beaudin, Ward 7 (Esther Pauls) resident.

Think of your children/grandchildren and the legacy we shall be leaving them.

In Canada, especially southern Ontario, we have never learned land management having paved over so much of our land with sprawling developmemts. European cities are far more progressive in regards to land management and controlling urban sprawl. Just take a look at large cities like Rome, Paris, London, etc. They have managed to contain their growth and don't have sprawling development.

As the climate warms and our food sources are threatened and diminished, we will need all the available land to grow and sustain our food needs to feed our people.

The proposed homes on this farmland will not be affordable to the average family.

We will be burdened with yet again rising city taxes to pay to service these developments.

To attempt to project Hamilton's population and housing needs 30 years down the road is crazy! Just look at all the homes /condos, etc. that will become available within the existing city when all the baby boomers have passed. We make up a big chunk of the population.

To even entertain the idea of paving over valuble farmland considering the sad state of our planet is a crime!

Jackie Beaudin

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Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Jacqueline Stagen  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:18 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]stop sprawl Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello

My name is Jacqueline Stagen and I want to add my name to stand with those Hamiltonians opposing sprawl. We have to do better planning and protect our precious resources. This would help us meet our climate change commitments. There is plenty of land throughout Hamilton's current boundary that can be developed for housing. There are a lot of opportunities for smart and attractive identification as well as brownfield development. Please put your energies into better development instead and give incentives to builders for this.

Thanks for your time.

Jackie

Jacqueline Stagen

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Jade Jackson  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 8:04 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Cc:** VanderBeek, Arlene <[Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca](mailto:Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca)>  
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Sincerely

Jade Jackson

**From:** James Macaulay  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 9:15 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Governmental Officials,

Stop Urban Sprawl. I live in Hamilton Ward 11. We do not need to use more farmland. Look at the fruit belt from Hamilton to Niagara Falls. During the last 70 years, over 50% is gone. Now we are feeding our population from California, Mexico, Chile etc. which also creates global warming. If there is a global catastrophe, we might not have any fruit. Look at our global auto industry. There is a reduction of vehicle production due to a chip shortage.

In the Binbrook rural area, over the last 25 years, the population has gone from 1,500 to over 9,000. The road network has not changed. 9,000 residents and not one gas station. Sewage is pumped 20 kilometers the Woodward avenue sewage treatment plant in Hamilton. How can this be sustainable. I can go on and on.

Please do not permit urban sprawl for our children an grandchildren's sake.

James Macaulay

Mount Hope, Ontario

**From:** James Mawson  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:13 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** To Whom it May concern

Clerk City Clerk,

As a 'new' Canadian - I moved here from England 20 years ago, I have been repeatedly saddened how the Canadian Government, at Federal, Provincial and Municipal levels doesn't understand the beauty and richness of the land which makes up this great country. It seems that short term cash (to fill the coffers of developers and councilors) at the expense of grass roots employment and nature is the over-riding aim.

This country will remain unique as long as we realise that the sprawl development is held in check. The housing that will be built in this instance will assuredly be beyond the pockets of those to whom its meant to help, and the urban decay will continue, ensuring that cities like Hamilton, will remain moribund and devoid of meaningful employment.

To grow our own food and allow those whose lives, built on previous generations labour, taht depend on agriculture be allowed to do so.

James Mawson

Dundas, Ontario

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From: Barbara Ormond  
Sent: November 4, 2021 8:46 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Cc: Wilson, Maureen <[Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca)>  
Subject: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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James Ormond  
Sent from my iPhone

From: Aronson, Jane  
Sent: November 4, 2021 4:49 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); Ward 1 Office <[ward1@hamilton.ca](mailto:ward1@hamilton.ca)>  
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Jane Aronson  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Jane Cudmore  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:57 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Sprawl!

Clerk City Clerk,

Greetings

My name is Jane Cudmore and I live in Ward 1, Hamilton.

The City of Hamilton is about to make an important decision about how to grow.

The Province is forcing the City to make one of the most important land use decisions in decades.

Developers are pushing to pave over farmland but the public knows the true cost of sprawl is too great (taxes, climate, farmland, infrastructure).

The people of Hamilton already let City Council know that "No Urban Boundary Expansion" is the only choice moving forward.

I support this option because I am concerned that the infrastructure required to support this type of expansion is unsustainable.

Additionally, expanding the boundaries to provide housing does not address our needs for affordable housing; it only exacerbates the problem.

I understand that growth without sprawl demands a different approach to planning and use of existing urban space. I'm all for that too!

Thanks to everyone working to contain sprawl. And, thanks for hearing my concerns.

Jane Cudmore

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Jane Gaviller-Fortune  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:40 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

Please forward this email to all city councillors...

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Sincerely,  
Jane Gaviller-Fortune



**From:** Jane MacCabe-Freeman  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:27 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Sprawl Decision

Clerk City Clerk,

Good Afternoon,

I am a long time resident in rural Millgrove (now known as Hamilton) and am writing to request you seriously consider the decision you will be making on November 9th to address the urbanization plan that needs to address future housing needs.

Difficult decisions need to be made and must include tax payers input. This decision must be for the common good...food, shelter, healthcare are some of the basic needs for the common good.

As a taxpayer it is difficult to justify the expense of empty city buses rolling around Waterdown. I only see increased costs for these services which includes policing and fire if urban sprawl is the decision made. Infrastructure costs,... roads, snow removal, waste services, will also skyrocket.

We live at a time in the world where these local decisions need to be made for the common good of all. Food is a necessity of life, once farm land is eaten up by urban sprawl it compromises food security for all, not just in Hamilton.

I am asking you to vote no sprawl and come up with a cost effective decision to address housing needs for the future.

Thank you,

Jane MacCabe-Freeman

Jane MacCabe-Freeman

Millgrove,

**From:** Janet Fraser  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:10 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban boundary

Clerk City Clerk,

I am writing to express my concerns about the possible expansion of the urban boundary. My grandparents settled in this area in the 1920s from Europe because they realized then that this was the best agricultural land in Canada . They thought they had found heaven on earth as the climate for growing food was so wonderful. Today I share these sentiments and truly value the farms that surround this amazing city. I shop locally for food when I can . We grow food too in our backyard but as small lots are limited in size, we still need to buy produce from the surrounding farms. I also love and enjoy the lower city with it's rich history....this is where growth, renewal should happen ! Please say no to boundary expansion.

Sincerely,  
Janet Fraser,

Janet Fraser

Mount Hope, Ontario

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From: Janice currie  
Sent: November 4, 2021 5:47 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Cc: Ferguson, Lloyd <[Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca)>  
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Thank you for your consideration.

Janice Currie  
Ancaster  
Ward 12

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Janice Hyde  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 4:03 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Janice Hyde. I live in Flamborough with my father and best friend. I am an “elder millennial” that will never own my own home because of the increasing housing crisis.

A drive through downtown Hamilton shows a sea of vacant lots, boarded up housing units and tent communities. We need affordable housing built within the urban boundaries that already exist. Expanding the boundary will do more harm than good. It will further the affordable housing crisis... when was the last time you saw a starter home being built on farmland?

We need housing that is appropriate for the incomes being made in Hamilton. There is a massive amount of townhomes sitting boarded up and vacant on James Street North! This land can be utilized and at least it has public transit!

Please NO URBAN BOUNDARY EXPANSION!

Janice Hyde

Waterdown,

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**From:** Janine Towle  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:57 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi, my name is Janine Towle. I am writing for both myself and my husband Greg Towle. We remember years ago when Rymal Rd. was the southern most boundary for the city of Hamilton. Now that has extended to Twenty Rd. There are many pockets of undeveloped land north of Twenty Rd. Please keep Twenty Rd. as the southern most boundary and develop land north, east and west within the city confines before even thinking of developing elsewhere.

Thank you

Janine & Greg Towle

Hamilton

Janine Towle

Hamilton,

From: KJ Bedford  
Sent: November 5, 2021 7:40 AM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); Partridge, Judi <[Judi.Partridge@hamilton.ca](mailto:Judi.Partridge@hamilton.ca)>  
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Regards,

Jennifer Bedford

Freelton, ON

KJ\_Bedford  
Lens Based Creator

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**From:** Jennifer Hompoth  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:56 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Cc:** Wilson, Maureen <[Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca)>  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

Please read into record & include as correspondence to Council GIC.

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Sincerely  
Jennifer Hompoth

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"What are the standards that we have? If we're concerned about unarmed truth--understanding this condition of truth is allowing suffering to speak--and unconditional love--understanding justice is what love looks like in public--then the question is, what suffering voices do we hear...and what kinds of concerns about justice are made manifest...? Cornell West

**From:** Jennifer Tucker  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:22 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop the Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Good Day,

My name is Jennifer. Our family has lived in Ancaster for four generations. We are vehemently opposed to the proposal to expand urban boundaries. This potential expansion will solidify the message that farming and local food supply isn't important, but money is. It is a sad thought to face that long time generations of farming families are being pushed out for profit. There are many places to build up instead of out and eating up the rich, healthy, oxygen and food producing land. Please stop the sprawl.

Jennifer Tucker

Ancaster, Ontario

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**From:** jessica macqueen  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 5:13 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Jessica MacQueen

**From:** Jill Tonini  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:09 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Say NO to Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Greetings,

I'm a resident of Ward 13 and am writing to implore you to vote no to ANY urban boundary expansion on Nov 9th. Suburban sprawl is costly and misleading in the long run, and we can never get our precious farmland soil back once lost to developers.

I've also lived in Downtown Hamilton and have recently mapped the massive amount of surface parking and vacant lots that are prime for gentle density, especially the 'missing middle' housing. There is more than enough room within our current boundary, once we review and update our current policies and bylaws to encourage responsible, smart densification, especially along public transit routes, and above commercial/retail storefronts. Future generations will thank you.

Sincerely,

Jill Tonini

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Dundas, Ontario

**From:** Jillian Marenger  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:25 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Once it's gone, it's gone forever.

Clerk City Clerk,

I live in Ward 2, in downtown Hamilton.

I am against urban sprawl for 3 key reasons:

1. Underuse of existing urban land: When I moved to Hamilton it was obvious to me that there's a lot of underused lots/buildings left to decay in the core, as "developers/investors" purchase the land and hold it, waiting for the value to increase. By limiting sprawl, investors will have to look inward to continue to make money, and finally put that land to use.
2. The ever-decreasing amount of arable farming land: As climate change and supply chains make food supply ever more precarious, the last thing we should be doing is sacrificing good farm land to single family suburbia. We WILL need this land if we are to survive the next 50 years.
3. Long-term climate impacts: City of Hamilton Councillors unanimously declared a climate emergency back in March of 2019. Now is the time to put that declaration into practice. I urge you to heed the dire warnings just released by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change - the panel of the world's leading climate scientists - that has warned that urgent action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions is required to avert climate disaster. Based on the IPCC's warnings, now is the worst possible time to be sprawling Hamilton out into rural farmland.

I urge you to for ONCE, put people over easy profit for deep pocketed developers. You can address the housing crisis without suburbs. Build more densely in existing land. Build for our future.

Jillian Marenger

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** John Kirk  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 8:44 PM  
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To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Joan McKay  
Sent from my iPad

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Joanne Edmiston

Sent from my iPhone



**From:** Joanne Lewis  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 9:05 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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From: Joanne Palangio  
Sent: November 4, 2021 10:11 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Joanne Robinson  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:51 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Please say NO to an urban boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Joanne Robinson. My husband Paul and I live in Ward 1 and we are strongly opposed to any expansion of the urban boundary.

We simply cannot continue to do things the way we always have and expect a different result. We are in a climate emergency that requires all of us to make changes for the sake of our future on this planet.

Doug Ford and his government have shown no respect for the wishes of the Hamiltonians who responded so loudly and clearly to the City survey about their wish to hold the urban boundary. Like most conservative governments, they appear to consistently put profits ahead of the environment.

It's time for a new approach, Hamilton! City Councillors, please do the right thing for our children, grandchildren and all future generations. Paving over farm land is NOT the solution!! Thank you.

Joanne Robinson

Hamilton, Ontario

From: Joanne Stonehill  
Sent: November 5, 2021 12:01 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Subject: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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Thank you, sincerely Joanne Stonehill Sent from my iPad

**From:** John Coakley  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 11:04 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Cc:** Tordis Coakley <[tordiscoakley@gmail.com](mailto:tordiscoakley@gmail.com)>; Mark and Nadia - <[markandnadia@sympatico.ca](mailto:markandnadia@sympatico.ca)>  
**Subject:** Urban expansion

City Clerk:

Please add my voice to the others speaking out on the upcoming vote to expand Hamilton's urban footprint by 3,300 acres. I urge City Council to examine the template of most European urban developments characterized by a definite line demarcation of the urban boundary with largely agricultural / natural lands on one side and urban / commercial developments on the other. There is a clear rejection there of any urban sprawl. How do they do it.? They maximize urban and residential development within reach of downtown amenities such as transport systems, shopping areas, and entertainment / dining facilities. They also maximize downtown housing density by encouraging the building of residential apartments above downtown businesses as well as erecting small-scale, multiple-unit housing complexes. I am confident that much of the areas in downtown Hamilton now occupied by parking lots or vacant and underused properties could be repurposed for housing to accommodate future growth.

To summarize, I urge you to reject the proposal to expand the Hamilton urban area.

Sincerely

John C.

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Dr. John P. Coakley, P.Eng.  
Hamilton, ON  
CANADA

**From:** johndlf johndlf  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 9:20 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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**From:** JOHN KIRK  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:23 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** URBAN SPRAWL 7 FOOD SECURITY

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a media producer resident in Hamilton. Climate change will affect food supply chains and BC and California are in drought , water sources depleted and crops failing. Local agriculture will be critical for Canadian needs. The only land (3% of all available in Canada) in Ontario is under threat by urban sprawl driven by real estate development. You cannot eat houses. This prioritizes private profit at the expense of the basic human rights of food and water. Fire and flood are here and will increase in intensity. Action against the causes of climate change must be your first priority and happen now. Urban sprawl is the problem. We, the people who's lives you put at risk will prevail.

JOHN KIRK

HAMILTON, Ontario

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**From:** John McBrien  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:22 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** I say 'no' to Urban Sprawl...

Clerk City Clerk,

John McBrien here, a long time resident of Ward 1. Although I don't have the solution, I read about this issue and try to understand all sides of the debate. What I do know is that we MUST reign in our 'grow at all costs' mentality and have the courage and foresight to stand strong and change our thinking so that we build a sustainable society.

We need to act now, act decisively, and make this city a better place to live for everyone, before it is too late.

In the name of climate change, social cohesiveness, and in order to build a better city, stop sprawl.

Sincerely,  
John McBrien

John McBrien

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** David Krysko  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:27 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** We need food. Cities can grow up.

Clerk City Clerk,

Once agricultural land is developed it is gone for good.

We have very little agricultural land in Canada.

I am in Rosedale and there are a lot of places to build up and keep the farms and nature.

Grow up and not out.

Respectfully, Dave.

David Krysko

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** John Olmsted  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:27 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Where do you think food comes from.

Develop vacant land in Hamilton, instead.

John Olmsted

Ancaster, Ontario

From: John Vickers  
Sent: November 4, 2021 10:42 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Cc: Whitehead, Terry <[Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca](mailto:Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca)>  
Subject: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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Finally my own suggestion. The Province is asking for planning based on 2050 estimates of growth. The time to make decisions on expansion is after the alternatives above are exercised on 10 year steps. With changes in the climate, and society to predict as the Ford Government is what the situation will be in 2050 is not reasonable. Please stay you ground until there is a clear need.

Sincerely

John Vickers

**From:** Joy Sunesen  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 6:34 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Save 3300 acres

Clerk City Clerk,

Joy here, east mntn born 1970, sherwood heights Era, envision limeridge mall area from Mohawk to Linc, \*NORTH/SOUTH& E/Wx5 completely gone forever..our city has 350 yr old trees and orchards stood among where all homes built Parkdale, etc ... when we support local, like Winona ex. Not Brampton that's a good thing ... so: who looks after me, or my neighbor in 20 yrs, once I've worked for 40yrs..and many need to move from the insanity of where I reside now but can't afford to pay dbl or more than now... does anyone really care? Does anyone even BUY A POPPY ANYMORE? We NEED our land to remain UNTOUCHED ...WHY IS THAT SO HARD TO SEE

Joy Sunesen

Hamilton , Ontario

From: Joy Warner  
Sent: November 4, 2021 4:40 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Joy Warner

**From:** Joyce Muir  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:25 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop...and control the sprawl.

Clerk City Clerk,

It is very upsetting to me a senior of 85+ yrs. to see all the "destruction" of our much needed farmland. You want to make room for 30% more people to live. BUT, how these individuals be fed if all the farmland is built upon? I have lived in Hamilton all my life. I've lived, in what I call the four corners of Hamilton. East Hamilton, east mountain, west mountain, west Hamilton and now downtown Hamilton. I've driven all over on the mountain and can't believe how far the city has expanded. Unfortunately, all I see are boxes, all the same. No trees. We need trees for climate change. We need land to grow produce not more houses. This needs some control before it's too late. I definitely know this will affect my votes in the future. There is so much at stake in this decision. Think. Make a wise decision not just a party decision.

Joyce Muir

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Judy Peternel  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:23 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Nrinder Nann,

I believe it is very important to stop the spread of urban sprawl , once these lands are touched and changed it will never be the same again. There are many places in the world where this situation has been successfully dealt with and it can be the same here. We can lead by example also by being an urban setting that will creatively deal with this. Moving into the future it is important for us and especially future generations to show care and respect for farmland and forests by leaving them as they are. This is especially important for the environment as every contribution to keep it intact breathes continued life for the future for our lands and wildlife and farmland. Thank-you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Judy Peternel

Judy Peternel

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** J. Rahn  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:59 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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*julie rahn*



From: Kertyzia, June  
Sent: November 4, 2021 8:17 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Subject: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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June and Bill Kertyzia

Sent from my iPad

**From:** June Peace  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:37 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a senior and have been a resident of Hamilton all my adult life. I have seen the boundaries change more than once and take over farmland. Each expansion makes me sadder. I grew up on a mixed farm and we produced most of our food or the ingredients to make it.

In today's world we cannot afford to lose more farm land. We have to become more self-sufficient not less. That will save transportation cost, cut carbon emissions and help us be less dependent on other countries. Only 5% of Canada's land is arable and a great deal of it has been lost to expanding cities in the last 60 years.

Building on more farm land also raises our taxes because we need to build more infrastructure. That in turn means more not fewer cars on the road which will result in more pollution. If we build on land that is vacant or under used within the city we can make use of the infrastructure already in place and need fewer cars. This is not a choice between sprawl and high rises as some people would like us to believe. We can build low rise apartments and condos like the one I live in which is 4 stories. We could then make use of public transit. Finally we need more affordable housing not more monster homes. More town houses and semis within the city are also options which use less land.

Please vote for no boundary expansion.

June Peace

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Hamilton, Ontario

From: k crevar  
Sent: November 4, 2021 5:07 PM  
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**Sent:** November 5, 2021 12:00 PM  
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**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:31 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban expansion/truck route

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi my name is Karen Prince . We live on Dickenson Rd E Hannon. Recently we have been told our road could become a truck route. Our road is residential with children/school bus stops / rail trail/ no side road or sidewalks. Can't pull over if broken down or walk to a neighbours without safety concerns. When trucks are allowed to drive speeding through a residential road then the farmlands will disappear to commercial developments . Enough truck routes that are not overused in our area and we need to use this agricultural land for our ability to supply food without sourcing from other countries.

Karen Prince

Hannon, Ontario



**From:** Kathy Bresnahan  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:27 PM  
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Kathy Steel

**From:** Keira McArthur **Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:26 PM  
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**Subject:** Urban Boundary

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From: Kristina mcgill  
Sent: November 4, 2021 11:48 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Cc: Office of Ward 3 City Councillor Nrinder Nann <[ward3@hamilton.ca](mailto:ward3@hamilton.ca)>  
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In addition to the above I would love to see existing and neglected buildings being removed and/or renovated to add more available housing. Example 89/91 Wentworth South. If this building exists and is derelict how many more are there around the city in a similar state? They could be better utilized to account for some of the much needed housing that we as a community so desperately need. Is there no way the city could do a survey of all the unused/derelict buildings/houses in Hamilton to work on first before we go encroaching on farmland?

Should we not as a community be focusing on housing the people who are already here, rather than thinking about the people who might be coming in 15, 20, 25 or 30 years from now? The people here need affordable housing, mansions are not that! We need studios or one bedroom, 2 bedroom apartments to help people get off the street! There are far too many tents and encampments with people struggling to be focusing our energy on how to help developers!

Thank you

Kristina McGill

Ward 3 resident and Hamilton lover!

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Kristine Swire  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:06 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Expansion of urban boundaries

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Kristine Swire and I live in Ward 3. I served with both the RHLI and the Anglican church and I wish to register my opposition to any expansion of our Urban boundaries into Prime agricultural land. When the people of this city were consulted their overwhelming response was total opposition to expanding the boundaries and I feel it would be irresponsible of the council and the province to ignore the wishes of the people and the stewardship of the future to serve the interests of Developers. I would like to see greater creative use of the existing vacancies in Hamilton and a move to allow for granny flats and other tiny home options on current land. We have already been victimized by whatever planning idiot decided to put parking down the centre of the main arterials that lead to Saint Joe's Hospital we don't need any more ridiculous decisions especially those that endanger our future ability to feed ourselves.

Kristine Swire

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Laura Buckley  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 7:35 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** NO Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

My name is Laura Buckley and my family recently moved to Mount Hope, Ward 11 from the Crown Point neighbourhood, Ward 4. We moved to a one acre property where we have a 4500 square foot vegetable garden. We grow food for neighbours, friends, the community, donations. Our neighbours raise chickens. We need to protect our farmland and this way of life. We connect the community to their food. There are so many vacant lots in the downtown core that can be better utilized. NO URBAN BOUNDARY EXPANSION. Protect our farmland. Protect our food.

Laura Buckley

Mount Hope, Ontario

**From:** Laura Thurlow  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:20 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); Farr, Jason <[Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca](mailto:Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca)>  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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**From:** Lauren Mckay  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 2:38 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No urban sprawl please

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Lauren McKay and I have lived in Hamilton my whole life. I've watched as more and more patches of greenspace on the east mountain have been eaten up by large homes which all look the same while the downtown area remains checkered with parking lots and empty/underused spaces. As Hamilton continues to grow, we have the power to choose the type of city we want to be: a spread out amalgam of separate areas made of satellite neighbourhoods and highways to connect them or an optimized, densified, lively, and livable city surrounded by valuable greenspace. I think the choice is clear. Our path forward does not require urban sprawl.

Lauren Mckay

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Lauren Snelius  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 11:57 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Lauren and I live in ward 3. I implore you to leave the urban boundary as is. This decision will have a huge impact on my child's future and the community she lives in. Why do we need more houses of that size that are unaffordable for so many? In the midst of a climate crisis we cannot afford to lose this precious green space. If you truly want to strengthen our community and invest in our children's future; improve infrastructure and invest in affordable housing. Creating new homes for a select few is not the answer.

Lauren Snelius

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Leila Handanovic  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:44 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No urban sprawl in Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

I live in the Stinson neighbourhood in Hamilton and I wanted to write a quick letter about why I oppose sprawl. Anyone who walks or drives through downtown Hamilton can see how many under-utilized properties we have, from parking lots to crumbling buildings. We have so much available space within our current boundaries where we can build mixed use housing, high rises, and single family homes. These spaces already have the underlying infrastructure in place to support this additional housing. Our city has approved the LRT, which would be an environmentally friendly way of transporting those who live in our lower city - but we need the people in the city to take the transport that we're building. The only people who win if our city approves sprawl are the developers. They are building million dollar homes that benefit a few, and doing nothing to help beautify our downtown core or address our issues with homelessness and affordability.

The city sent out a survey and the people of Hamilton have spoken loud and clear. They overwhelmingly told the city that they did not want sprawl. Is the city going to listen to what its citizens want or is it going to bow down to the whims of developers?

This is a crucial time in our history. We need to think about the future and what it looks like for generations to come. Do we want a city that sprawls into former farmland, and city streets full of cars? Or do we want a city with a beautiful vibrant downtown full of people who can take public transport or walk where they need to go?

In a time where we're dealing with global supply chain issues we should also be thinking about where our food comes from. Do we want to be reliant on bringing our food in on trucks or do we want a city surrounded by farms that feed our city?

I implore you to vote NO to urban sprawl.

Thank you.

Leila Handanovic

Stoney Creek, Ontario

**From:** Leo Gervais  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 8:21 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Do it right, Leo Gervais

**From:** Leslie Falzone

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 9:40 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); Office of the Mayor <[Officeofthe.Mayor@hamilton.ca](mailto:Officeofthe.Mayor@hamilton.ca)>; Ward 1 Office <[ward1@hamilton.ca](mailto:ward1@hamilton.ca)>; Farr, Jason <[Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca](mailto:Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca)>; Nann, Nrinder <[Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca](mailto:Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca)>; Merulla, Sam <[Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca](mailto:Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca)>; Chad <[Chad.Collins@hamilton.ca](mailto:Chad.Collins@hamilton.ca)>; Jackson, Tom <[Tom.Jackson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Tom.Jackson@hamilton.ca)>; Pauls, Esther <[Esther.Pauls@hamilton.ca](mailto:Esther.Pauls@hamilton.ca)>; Ward 8 Office <[ward8@hamilton.ca](mailto:ward8@hamilton.ca)>; Clark, Brad <[Brad.Clark@hamilton.ca](mailto:Brad.Clark@hamilton.ca)>; Pearson, Maria <[Maria.Pearson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Maria.Pearson@hamilton.ca)>; Johnson, Brenda <[Brenda.Johnson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Brenda.Johnson@hamilton.ca)>; Ferguson, Lloyd <[Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca)>; VanderBeek, Arlene <[Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca](mailto:Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca)>; Whitehead, Terry <[Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca](mailto:Terry.Whitehead@hamilton.ca)>; Partridge, Judi <[Judi.Partridge@hamilton.ca](mailto:Judi.Partridge@hamilton.ca)>

**Cc:** Thorne, Jason <[Jason.Thorne@hamilton.ca](mailto:Jason.Thorne@hamilton.ca)>

**Subject:** GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE AGENDA - November 9, regarding the Municipal Comprehensive Review and Land Needs Assessment

Good morning

I am writing to support Option 2, no urban boundary expansion. The Canadian Automobile association indicates that fewer young people are getting driver's licenses. Which means public transit is becoming more of a priority. The climate crisis is undeniable. Added homes that require someone to drive, with no access to public transit, does not make environmental sense. The argument that the cost of this housing will be affordable is a fallacy. The building of roads and facilities will further stress the city's budget and add very little to the city's tax base.

Single family homes and the expansion of the suburbs is not the answer, and will not add much in the way of value to the city's future citizens. The first survey sent out by the city of Hamilton, to the people of Hamilton, clearly indicated that this is not what the people in all the wards want. I fail to understand why this is not seen as valid.

I am a grandmother, and I fear for the city and the legacy we are leaving our children and grandchildren if we continue to pave over green spaces and rely on fossil fuels in order to move from point a to point b.

to quote Joni Mitchell, we are paving paradise to put up a parking lot.

Leslie Falzone  
Ward three

**From:** Linda Daniels-Smith  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:38 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello, my name is Linda Daniels-Smith. I have lived in Ancaster for the majority of my 74 years. I am writing in the hopes that your vote will be to not expand the city borders. I realize that means Ancaster will expand along with the City and I have no difficulty with that as long as the Village core is maintained as is. No 6 story buildings, no Amica at one of the busiest corners in town, no more destroying historical buildings as was done with Brandon House and maintaining the 3 story height limit. Having said that, the roads in Ancaster in particular need a review. Traffic jams when the 403 is blocked is a nightmare.. Garner/Rymal need desperate repairs in some areas. Wilson Street is growing faster than one realizes. Mr. Ferguson has listened my complaints for a number of years and I know he disagrees with me but that is all part of a democratic society.

There is so much brownfield/vacant properties/land in the City which should be used first then in 20 years if expansion is needed review availability then and only then.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter.

Linda Daniels-Smith

Ancaster

Linda Daniels-Smith

Ancaster, Ontario

**From:** Linda Devison  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 12:00 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No to Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I have lived in Hamilton/Dundas for the past 73 years and I can't believe you'd consider expanding the city when there is boarded up buildings and closed schools to be renovated in downtown Hamilton where the homeless and people scraping by on minimum wage could be housed and use the LRT that will be right outside their door thus eliminating the need for more cars on the road. Protect the green space and farmland!

Linda Devison

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** LINDA FORGAN  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:44 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** STOP THE SPRAWL

Clerk City Clerk,

Tip: Introduce yourself and write in your own words why you don't want an urban boundary expansion [DELETE this Tip before sending

To whom this may concern,

On behalf of future generations Please DONOT LET THIS GO FORWARD STOP THE SPRAWL

NOW! I live in a very dense community of Ward 2 love living here and community, but Appreciate shopping for local market fresh product, meat , cheese, fruit all from our farming neighbours and returning the hard earned money I earn back to my community.

Land has become so sacred PLEASE DONOT ROB OUR FUTURE GENERATIONS of this Experience or the Families who have struggled on Farms to continue a legacy passed From generation to generation, this would be on YOU the POLITICIANS going forward And bear in mind who your VOTES come from I think you need to BE MINDFUL a of what We the public want as your constituents going into the FUTURE!

Linda Forgan

LINDA FORGAN

HAMILTON, Ontario

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**From:** Linda Jahns  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:26 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Linda Jahns and have lived in Stoney Creek for over 50 years. I do not support urban sprawl because developers will not build affordable housing as they say. They only want to make money. They do not care about conserving farmland or any other land. Once land is developed, you can't get it back. There are enough empty building and schools that can be turned into affordable housing.

Thank you

Linda Jahns

Stoney Creek, Ontario



From: Linda Tiley  
Sent: November 5, 2021 9:02 AM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Subject: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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Sent from my iPad

**From:** Lisa Cacilhas  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:49 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello, my name is Lisa Cacilhas and I live in Ward 14 of Hamilton. I urge you to please listen to the constituents and do NOT vote for boundary expansion. In addition to having a horrific environmental impact, a boundary expansion will end up costing us more money through building new infrastructure and maintenance to service these areas. Hamilton needs AFFORDABLE housing and we currently have the space to do this within our city limits. Simply look downtown, and you'll see plenty of vacant buildings and lots that can be converted. Revitalizing these areas will give the city new life and creating houses that people can actual afford that are actually close to public services. Please don't let our future generations suffer and make the right choice.

Thank you,

Lisa Cacilhas

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Hamilton,

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From: liz eeuwes  
Sent: November 4, 2021 4:38 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Subject: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

Hi as a downtown homeowner I'm not interested in subsidizing sprawl housing via the property tax hike that will be needed to pay for the new infrastructure.

We have committed to the IRT development so let's offset that cost by in filling the empty lots downtown with a mix of mid-rise and missing middle development projects. Condos, townhouses and stacked townhouses and 10-16 storey builds mixed with full size apartment buildings. It puts people close to amenities like community centres, walkable shopping and transportation hubs. It's the right thing for the environment and the future of keeping the downtown vibrant and accessible.

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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Liz Koblyk  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 10:37 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); VanderBeek, Arlene <[Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca](mailto:Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca)>  
**Subject:** GIC Meeting re: Boundary Expansion

Dear Councillor Vanderbeek and City Clerk,

Would you please share the following with your colleagues for the GIC meeting on potential boundary expansion?

For most issues, elected representatives have to somehow represent competing views. In the case of boundary expansion, however, Hamiltonians have been clear: over 90% of survey respondents said no to expanding into greenbelt space.

Hamiltonians' concerns are also, in this case, 100% consistent with the City's own decision to declare a climate emergency. We trust that you'll vote for policies in a way that is consistent with your own recognition of the climate emergency. That means preserving greenspace and recognizing that mature trees and wetlands are the lungs and carbon sinks we need.

Given the overwhelming agreement that Hamilton needs to preserve its greenspace, this is an issue people will remember. Hamiltonians appreciate consistency - for example, voting back in the Mayor and Councillors who put obstacles in the way of a human waste incinerator. Hamiltonians are also in such overwhelming agreement about protecting greenspace that we can expect new political contenders to emerge in wards in which councillors vote in favour of expansion. Voters would be angry enough to elect inexperienced, single-issue candidates over experienced politicians who voted against such overwhelming consensus.

If you love the city as I suspect you do, please don't put your voters in the position of having to choose someone inexperienced to govern. The clarity with which Hamiltonians have spoken shows how much we care about this issue and about your role in representing our voice. The environment is crucial to everyone, and extreme weather will keep it top of mind. Please vote against expansion, and begin discussions of how affordable housing can be built in areas that already have transportation infrastructure and shops and schools within walkable distances.

Thanks,  
Liz Koblyk

**From:** Lori Burns  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 11:23 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Hello Esther

Clerk City Clerk,

Tip: Introduce yourself and write in your own words why you don't want an urban boundary expansion [DELETE this Tip before sending]

Lori Burns

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Lyn Folkes  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 9:46 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

To Hamilton Council members,

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Lyn & Rick Folkes  
Ward 8 Hamilton





**From:** Lynn Gates **Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:11 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Hamilton Urban Boundary Decision - Nov. 9th

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a resident of Ward 1 and have been for over 40 years. Since moving to Hamilton I have seen new subdivisions grow beyond Rymal Road, with land speculators and development continuing to buy farmland. This has resulted in more agricultural land being leased, which has weakened our farming infrastructure. This has also weakened Hamilton's ability to be food secure from locally produced food.

The costs to put in new infrastructure has been enormous and paid partly by "robbing" the repair budget from the lower city. Hamilton citizens already pay higher than average property taxes. Urban sprawl is not a good, efficient, or sustainable business practice.

All data from a variety of fields confirm that cities and towns must STOP growing past their existing urban boundaries. Stand up to Ford and any business people who want to profit off already cleared land regardless of the cost to everyone else.

Listen to your citizens, your own logical thinking, and do the right thing and VOTE AGAINST EXPANDING THE URBAN BOUNDARY.

Sincerely,

Lynn M, Gates, MSc

Lynn Gates

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Maddie Becker  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:56 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** We vote NO to urban sprawl in Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello. My name is Maddie and I am a public servant living in ward 13, the beautiful Dundas Valley downtown area. I see everyday how mixed use, medium density housing and rental units create a vibrant and enjoyable place to live. There is so much potential in Hamilton for similar housing options, in the abandoned and run down buildings and empty lots I see within the city's current boundary. Hamilton needs affordable medium density housing for our low and medium income friends, not luxury single family homes on large lots with lawns for our out of town high income people to "downsize" into. Plus, more subdivisions means more roads to take care of, more health centres, more garbage collecting, sewers, electrical infrastructure and more. This is extra tax payer spending that could be avoided if we build up our city as is. In many papers I've reviewed, I've seen that mixed use medium density lots generate more tax dollars than spread out luxury cookie cutter (poorly made) single family homes. This doesn't even go into the detrimental environmental effects sprawl could result in. Please hear this and the voices of the majority of Hamiltonians when We say NO to urban boundary expansion.

Maddie

Maddie Becker

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** Marcia Kash  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 9:42 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Marcia

**From:** Margaret Jolink

**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:47 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** Stop building on beautiful farmland needed for future generations

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Margaret Jolink. I live in Ancaster.

I urge the City of Hamilton to build within its present boundaries. There are many open spaces within the city itself, especially near the harbour, where future development can take place. Once farmland is used it can never be replaced. We need farmland to feed ourselves and future generations. Don't be shortsighted and take the easy road to development, but be creative and visionary to build within the present City limits

Margaret Jolink

Ancaster , Ontario

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From: margo may taylor  
Sent: November 4, 2021 5:09 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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margo may taylor

**From:** Margot Feyerer  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:39 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a resident in Ward 2 and am writing to express my deep concern about Council's decision regarding urban growth over the next 30 years. I dream of a Hamilton that is devoted to creative in-city building- creating desirable affordable housing within the city as it exists today! We must stop building outward - increasing our reliance on cars - and removing valuable farmland from future use. This is critical- and I depend on you to act now. Vote against Option One. Let's build a vibrant city within our current limits.

Margot Feyerer,

Margot Feyerer

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Margot Olivieri  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 11:54 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Margot Olivieri and I reside in Hamilton's Ward 13. I am extremely concerned that the proposed Boundary Expansion into our White Belt is propelled by developers' influences instead of a clear vision to preserve our farmland and environment. The creation of new, expensive single family houses will not help to bring young people into an inflated market nor will it make the new LRT a viable investment. Expansion will increase road traffic, create new infrastructure costs and problems, and further increase our produce costs at the grocery store. Please, on November 9, think carefully about the legacy this council and this government will leave to this city and this planet.

M.Olivieri

Margot Olivieri

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** Maria Polomska  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:40 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No farmers, no food

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi, my name is Maria and I live in Lynden, Ontario. I've been following the SSHO for a while now and I cannot believe how much effort they have to put in, in order to stop sprawl. Do we really have to fight for something that should be absolutely clear for everyone?! Pandemic showed us how important farmers are, how important is to grow locally, it's ecological, it's essential. Farmland is crucial to our local food security. We need pastures for our farm animals. We have to keep wildlife habitat. STOP SPRAWL. THINK ABOUT THE FUTURE. THINK ABOUT YOUR KIDS. DON'T LOOK AT EVERYTHING THROUGH THE MONEY!

Maria Polomska

Lynden, Colorado



**From:** Marie Salmon  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:46 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop wasting farm land

Clerk City Clerk,

I live in Glanbrook and I am not in favour of building houses on farm land.

Once our precious soil is paved over we have lost valuable food producing land forever.

Please consider the amount of land within the present city that is not yet developed and use it.

Thank you.

Marie Salmon

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Mount Hope,

**From:** Marika Ince  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:34 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a resident of Ward 15 and a proud citizen of the City of Hamilton. I am writing you today to add my voice to the majority of Hamiltonians who do not want any expansion to our urban boundaries.

Focusing on increasing urban density in creative and sustainable ways should be our opportunity to become a world leader in urban renewal. Letting developers have a say in future development is like letting drug dealers influence policing strategies. Developers hold too much power in the Ford government. Promoting and protecting the health of our land and waterways should be the primary objective.

Please do what is right and protect our rural lands. They are a finite and irreplaceable resource.

Thank you.

Marika Ince

Millgrove,

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**From:** Marilyn Glazebrook  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:34 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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**From:** Marilyn Marchesseau  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:48 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Climate catastrophe in the making

Clerk City Clerk,

As a senior I probably won't be here to see the worst of the affects of climate change so I am writing on behalf of younger generations who will suffer if urban expansions continue. Housing people can be done within the urban city limits. At the same time many urgently needed infrastructure upgrades including green public transportation must be done. Don't sell out your souls and our future to the corporations whose interest is solely to make a profit.

Respectfully,

Marilyn Marchesseau

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Ancaster, Ontario

**From:** Marilyn Thimpson **Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:05 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** My name is Marilyn Thompson . Please listen to your constituents and stop urban sprawl. Save out farmlands . Future generations deserve this . Use what we have to make better accessible communities .

Clerk City Clerk,

Tip: Introduce yourself and write in your own words why you don't want an urban boundary expansion [DELETE this Tip before sending]

Marilyn Thimpson

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Marion Redman  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 10:09 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Good morning,

My name is Marion Redman and I live in ward 11. We need to protect our farmland. As the pandemic has brought to light we need to be self sufficient and be able to feed ourselves. It is time for new ideas and a new approach to strengthening our cities.

Sincerely,

Marion Redman

Marion Redman

Mount Hope , Ontario

**From:** Marjorie Cooke  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 2:19 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** urban sprawl in Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

15 Lister Ave., Hamilton.

As a taxpayer in Hamilton for over 55 years, I do not want to see more farmland lost for the sake of building huge detached houses. Please think of where our food is to come from in the future. There are areas in the city that could be developed without stealing some of the best farmland in the province.

Marjorie Cooke

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Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Marjorie Middleton  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 12:03 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** no sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am Marjorie Middleton. I live in the Pleasant View Survey and just love it. I have also lived in Toronto, Mississauga and Durham Region. I moved to this area about three years ago just because of the outdoor environment and closeness to fresh farmed food. It is a very wonderful area with such a great variety of types of land. It is very special here in Hamilton. I am watching my grandchildren grow up here surrounded by such lovely and varied landscapes. Such a wonderful city that includes so many natural places! In downtown areas of Hamilton I can see lots of space for added or changed (innovated) housing that would be much better than clearing farm land for houses. You have something special here that other cities do not have. You could be a leader in making more intense housing in your city in wonderful ways. Please do it!!! I do not sprawl onto farm land which is so precious!

Marjorie Middleton

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** Mark Pattison  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 5:34 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Cc:** VanderBeek, Arlene <[Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca](mailto:Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca)>  
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Sincerely,

Mark Pattison  
Flamborough, Ontario

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**From:** Marsha Sulewski  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 7:22 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Save our green space and Farmland!!!

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi, I am Marsha Sulewski a long time resident of Hamilton West and Dundas, Ontario.

Please protect our natural areas and farmland. We are blessed to have green space and to have arable land. Both are needed the first for our mental health and well-being and the second to ensure that we continue to have a safe, healthy food source for residents, Canadians and the world. If these lands are developed we will lose these precious resources forever.

Please do the right thing and end urban sprawl!

Marsha

Marsha Sulewski

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Mary Coll-Black  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 10:19 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

I am a physician and mother living in the Hamilton downtown. Please don't vote to allow for endless sprawling urbanization. Please recognize the emergency that is climate change, and the damage done to all of us if we keep paving our rural areas over. We don't need more Meadowlands box stores. We need mixed housing, increased density, accessible green space, local quality affordable food production. We need a city council bold enough to take us in a healthier direction. Please be bold enough. There are development opportunities within existing city boundaries. There can be economic growth. We can make better choices for the future of this city.

Thank you,  
Mary Coll-Black

Mary Coll-Black

Hamilton, Ontario

Good Morning. My name is Mary Hickey and I have been a Hamilton resident for over 60 years. I recently moved to the Rymal Road and Garth area. I'm shocked how much farmland we're losing. This must be stopped and quickly before we're surrounded by c...

Clerk City Clerk,

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Mary Hickey

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Maryanne Lemieux  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:54 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Cc:** Farr, Jason <[Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca](mailto:Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca)>  
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Regards,

Maryanne Lemieux

From: Matias Rozenberg  
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Matias Rozenberg



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Sincerely,

Maurice Villeneuve

**From:** Megan Saunders  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:29 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I live in Ward 2 in Hamilton and I request that you vote against boundary expansion. It will not provide enough housing, in particular affordable housing, to justify the loss of green space. Do we want to live in a city like Toronto, where single family homes extend beyond the horizon at the expense of affordable housing, environmental concerns, and quality of life? The people of Hamilton responded to your survey on this topic with a resounding vote against boundary expansion.

Megan Saunders

Hamilton , Ontario

**From:** Melody Federico  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:34 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Good Day, My name is Melody Federico. I was born in Hamilton, and have loved this city my whole life. Several years ago, our family was negatively impacted by urban sprawl. Excessive development at the top of Centennial parkway caused so much runoff from heavy rain that our house was flooded twice, and my son's house was also flooded. Both houses had stood for over 50 years with no problems up to that time. Hamilton needs to use it's brown space, and find ways to densify its housing before destroying any more green space.

Melody Federico

Stoney Creek, Ontario

**From:** Michael Blais  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:29 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Hamilton Urban Boundary

Clerk City Clerk,

To whom it may concern;

My name is Michael Blais, and I live at (Ward 14) in Hamilton.

Regarding Hamilton Urban Boundary expansion, I am vehemently opposed. I voted "Option 2 - 'No Urban Boundary Expansion' scenario" on the Urban Growth Survey.

The spin of developer backed groups like "Hamilton Needs Housing" is that building more housing is somehow beneficial - more housing does not equal more affordable housing. In fact, quite the opposite, any new housing will not be affordable housing. This argument is so blatantly clear a sham, and the only benefit of urban boundary expansion is to the pocket book of developers. Similarly, so-called "studies" by the REALTORS Association of Hamilton-Burlington - would it be any surprise their studies would find an expansion would be better...for Realtors. None of the aforementioned are objective, but rather blatantly biased in self-interest.

I trust Hamilton Council would weigh much more heavily input of objective stakeholders like Environment Hamilton, etc.

I hope Hamilton Council follow the input of the constituents who elected them to represent them (over 90% opposed to Urban Boundary Expansion <https://www.hamilton.ca/city-planning/official-plan-zoning-by-law/grids-2mcr-urban-growth-survey>) and not succumb to the spin of self-interest groups.

Again, I am vehemently opposed to Hamilton Urban Boundary expansion.

Thank you, regards,

Mike

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Michael Blais

Hamilton, ON Michael Blais

Hamilton, Ontario

From: Michael Fabello  
Sent: November 4, 2021 6:20 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Michael Fabello

**From:** Michael Lake  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:24 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Don't sprawl Hamilton! Keep the countryside green!

Clerk City Clerk,

My wife and I live downtown with our two young children, and we plan to be here for a long time if the city retains the key characteristics that brought us here in the first place. Maximal surrounding green space is crucial.

Hamilton's development should focus within the existing urban boundaries—it makes the most economic, social, and ecological sense. Please leave rural farmland and green spaces alone.

A lot of what's needed to enable construction of sprawl neighbourhoods, and everything after their construction would be costs to taxpayers, and a drain on finite city resources. Operational costs can be better managed by remaining inside the existing boundaries and taking advantage of the resources and access we have already.

Downtown areas have infrastructure in place that can be built upon. Empty buildings, derelict lots, and underdeveloped zones are opportunities. There are already streets accessing them. Already busses passing through them. Already utilities connected and serving them. We don't need to make more streets farther away that will need more snow plowed, etc.

Staying within the boundaries will also be better for the environment, putting less strain on the region's watershed, etc.

Tradespeople can get just as much work building within the current city limits.

You can make a long-lasting, positive impact on the communities around you—not only Hamilton—by investing to revitalize and improve the core of our city.

In short: sprawl will be bad for everyone except millionaire developers. Please don't let it happen.

Michael Lake

Hamilton, ON

Michael Lake

Hamilton, Ontario

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From: mike hennessey  
Sent: November 4, 2021 4:38 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Sent from my iPad

**From:** Mike Kelly  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:02 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Please do not allow the loss of more farmland. Improve the planning process, so that we have more parks and healthier cities.

Mike Kelly

Hamilton , Ontario

**From:** Miriam Reed  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:33 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Please say no to expanding the urban boundary

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi My name is Miriam Reed. Please reject urban sprawl. There are so many reasons to stop urban sprawl- for example - conservation of fragile wetlands, preservation of habitat for wildlife, protection of local food production, supporting a health ecosystem, decreasing the need for cars and driving.... and what about our downtowns? Let's invest in the urban core. There are many beautiful houses and large buildings downtown Hamilton both of which could be splendid homes. If there truly is a housing shortage, then why not invest in the downtown core and help the core to become family friendly, sought after, livable spaces. I live in a downtown setting and can walk to banks, grocery stores, schools, churches, medical appts, hair appts, parks. Down town Hamilton was a beautiful centre. As a child I would take the HSR into Jackson Square and the YWCA and other destinations. For the sake of our children and future generations, please - let's develop and invest in the heart of the city (the downtown core) and preserve our rural areas.

Miriam Reed

Hamilton , Ontario



**From:** Mona Nahmias  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:11 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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**From:** Morgan Wedderspoon  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:33 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Sprawl: the People Have Spoken

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear representatives,

My name is Morgan. I'm a 34 year old resident of Hamilton Ward 3 and I was born and raised on the Niagara escarpment. I'm writing today in strong support of the No Urban Boundary Expansion option which has overwhelming support from citizens.

We have been abundantly clear: we need to protect 3300 acres of farmland to continue feeding people into an uncertain future. Not only are these lands vital, literally putting food on tables as well as providing ecological benefits, but we know that development into suburban sprawl would have consequences we simply cannot afford: more infrastructure requirements with higher taxes, more traffic with higher emissions, more social isolation and mental health crises.

We are more than capable of providing good affordable housing through urban centre densification and we want the benefits: more vibrant and connected communities, more active and lower-carbon lifestyles, and abundant green and agricultural spaces.

We have spoken: No Urban Boundary Expansion. This decision cannot be undone. Protect our future.

Thank you,

Morgan

Morgan Wedderspoon

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Nadia Coakley  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:18 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

We should not sacrifice farmland. We need local food. Haven't we learned anything via the pandemic. Supply chains can get stuck.

Nadia Coakley

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Nancy Chater  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 4:03 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No Appeal for urban boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

I'm a resident living in the central downtown in Ward 2. I'm extremely concerned about protecting our precious agricultural land from suburban sprawl. I urge you not to allow an appeal to the decision to stay within the urban boundary for development. Hamilton has loads of land that can be used to increase housing stock, without eating up prime, irreplaceable agricultural land. Let's create great, walkable neighbourhoods with transit through mid-rise "missing middle" development instead. Healthy neighbourhoods and sustainable urban development that does not accelerate climate change is my vote.

The people have voiced their views in the survey. We need you to listen and act accordingly.

Sincerely,

Nancy

Nancy Chater

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** nancy cooper

**Sent:** November 4, 2021 10:32 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); Ferguson, Lloyd <[Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca)>

**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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Nancy E Hill

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**From:** Naomi Kane  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:15 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop Unnecessary Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Naomi Kane, I am a resident of Hamilton and have Bachelor Degree in Interior Design, which encompasses a great deal of education on land use, architecture, urban planning etc.

All the design fields work together and cross pollinate ideas and information, so i have some small expertise in the debate about urban sprawl.

Environmentally, using brown fields, already built areas, is a much better way to go.

Densification and making use of spaces that are already in the urban boundary should be the first place to build.

I admit there is a limit to densification, living in a tiny condo large enough for a bed and bath is not quality living. But Hamilton has one of the largest stocks of reusable buildings in Ontario, leaving these empty and plowing over usable farmland is wasteful if not morally criminal given the enormity of the climate crisis we are facing.

Hamilton has the opportunity to lead in innovative land use.

I do understand the financial incentive of people who have invested in land and would like to sell it and developers are right there with the cash. There must be better ways to help rural lands be profitable without building condos on them.

Thank you

Naomi Kane

B.I.D., B Ed.

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Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Naomi Overend  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 2:52 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Re: Extension of Hamilton's Boundaries

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a resident of Hamilton's downtown. Unlike Toronto, where I moved from, much of the core of Hamilton is filled with parking lots, vacant buildings and under-used spaces. That is, there is much room in the core to increase Hamilton's population density without compromising on either green space or quality of life. Given that there are two GO stations, and will hopefully soon be a light-rail line crossing the city, this is where growth should take place.

We have just witnessed the replacement of the sewer and water lines in our neighbourhood. I now have a much better appreciation of the vast quantity of resources (and greenhouse gas emissions) that go into building a roadway system. And that's not even talking about the carbon that's released once these roadways are in use.

If we expand our urban boundaries, developers will use that space to build subdivisions and malls -- in other words, car-based development. We will have to build many kilometres of roadways to service those developments. The people who live and shop there will have further to drive. So not only would we destroy green space and farmland, but we would also be squandering resources and pumping carbon into the atmosphere.

My two children are now young adults. I want them to live in a world where we have done everything we can to come to grips with the impending climate disaster. At a time when we should be eliminating carbon, it makes no sense to be encouraging development that does exactly the opposite.

Naomi Overend

Hamilton, Ontario





**From:** Natalie Lazier **Sent:** November 4, 2021 8:31 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi my name is Natalie Lazier I live in ward 3 and I have been a Hamiltonian all of my life. I hope you read this and take in the words and messages from your constituents. The majority do not want the urban boundary expansion that was expressed in the survey please serve your constituents (not the developers, not the provincial government) and vote as your constituents have asked. No boundary expansion.

Have a good day

Thank you

Natalie Lazier

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Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Neil Armstrong  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:32 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Tip: Introduce yourself and write in your own words why you don't want an urban boundary expansion [DELETE this Tip before sending]

To whom it may concern,

My name is Neil Armstrong, and I am a Ward 1 resident of Hamilton, Ontario.

I am writing to strongly urge you to vote against expanding the urban boundary, and to stop urban sprawl. In no world is the devastation of our green spaces worth lining the pockets of a handful of developers, and the argument that this is being done in the name of providing housing is specious and insulting. Do what is right and do right by future generations and vote NO to urban expansion.

Thank you for your time.

Neil Armstrong

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Nelson Da Costa  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 8:07 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Stop Urban Sprawl Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Nelson Da Costa and I am a 20 year resident of Ancaster, Ontario. The reason for my letter is to have my voice heard despite the various politicians and councillors pushing their own agenda. Designating our precious farmland for further development will not only take away our ability sustain ourselves but also contribute to our declining climate/environment. Please listen to your constituents, the ones who put you in a coveted position to do the right thing, and vote down the option to sprawl.

Nelson Da Costa,  
Ancaster, On

Nelson Da Costa

Ancaster, Ontario

**From:** Nic Webber  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 4:17 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

My name is Nic and I live in the Kirkendall neighbourhood. I am not in favour of any kind of boundary expansion. Expanding the urban boundary will harm the environment and increase maintenance costs for the city. Not to mention losing valuable farmland. The focus should be on the infill of the existing boundary with low to mid-rise buildings to increase Hamilton's urban population density. This will make transit options more cost-effective and decrease reliance on personal vehicles for the population. Updating existing utility systems for more capacity will allow an increase in population within the existing boundary and help the systems run more efficiently. Fewer roads mean less maintenance, more efficient servicing (or garbage collection), etc.

For these reason and more, the right choice is no boundary expansion for Hamilton.

Thanks,

Nic

Nic Webber

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Nonni Iler  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:48 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Expansion, Please!

Clerk City Clerk,

To Those considering urban expansion,

Please do not opt to pave-over farmland, wetlands and green spaces. Our children and future generations will not benefit from the irreversible decision to replace farmlands and green spaces with concrete and warehouses.

The City has declared a Climate Change Emergency. Developing and paving wetlands, farmlands and green spaces is in direct conflict with the measures that need to be taken to protect the environment and prevent further, negative climate changes.

Please do not vote for urban expansion.

Sincerely,

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Ancaster, Ontario

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Sent: November 4, 2021 6:51 PM  
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From: Pamela Thompson

Sent: November 4, 2021 4:34 PM

To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

Cc: Wilson, Maureen <[Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Maureen.Wilson@hamilton.ca)>

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thank you,

Pamela Thompson

[thompsonp894@gmail.com](mailto:thompsonp894@gmail.com)

**From:** Pat Cameron  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 9:42 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Stop Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Mayor Eisenberg, Councillors and Premier Ford,

As a long time resident of Dundas, I would like to add my voice to the large majority of Hamilton citizens that aspire to see a vibrant city with affordable housing for ALL, mixed income communities AND protected farmland that both offset climate change threats and feed families. My husband and I have recently downsized from 'the big house in the burbs' to a mixed income townhome, walkable to town. There is a lot to recommend in this lifestyle; intensification can mean neighbours who know and support each other, celebrating diversity, and walking to services that keep the car(bon) off the road.

Please make the decision that will earn the respect and gratitude of your grandchildren, that will protect the environment, and set up systems for equitable access to housing.

Sincerely,

Patricia Cameron, retired teacher.

Pat Cameron  
Dundas, Ontario

**From:** Patricia Barton  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 2:16 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a resident of Ward1. I live close to an area of natural beauty which is a privilege. We need areas like this around Hamilton for the health and well being of our citizens. But , even more important is that we keep our farmland to produce local food in this time of climate challenge. We do not need to expand the Hamilton boundary. We do need to redevelop some of the neglected areas for the economic and residential growth of our city.

Patricia Barton

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Patricia Feyerer  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:07 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Do NOT expand Hamilton boundaries into farmland!

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Patsy and I am a resident of Ward 1.

I am strongly opposed to expanding the Hamilton boundaries into rural farmland. There are plenty of opportunities to build within our existing community and we should do so. I live in an area that has single-family homes, apartments, duplex and triplex houses. This provides a vibrancy for all of us. I do not agree with 25+ storey buildings within residential areas, but medium density buildings throughout the city would provide a mix of housing, encourage people to use the various neighbourhoods near them for work, relaxation and shopping. With LRT coming, it only makes sense to initially focus on areas that will be immediately serviced by LRT.

Over time, the tax benefit to the city (for developers developing into farmland) would shift to a tax burden for all city residents. Instead, build in our existing communities and improve on the existing infrastructure which is already in need of upgrading.

It is my belief that the current provincial government is too interested in supporting developers make profit that they are in the better interests of the community as a whole.

Once farmland is built over, it cannot be recovered.

Hamilton Council - take a stand for the betterment of our whole community (not just the developer's special interests) and say NO to expanding the Hamilton boundaries.

Patricia Feyerer

Hamilton, Ontario



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Patrick Speissegger

**From:** Paula Hrycenko  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 2:04 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a concerned resident of Hamilton and want to clearly voice the need to prevent any further urban sprawl.

There are more than sufficient lands available to infill and support housing for our growing population. Once farmland is gone it is gone forever.

We must secure growing spaces for the very long term.

Please resist the temptation for development fees and lobbies that have only profit in mind. We all know the inherent costs required to support and maintain sprawling infrastructure. These costs are forever are not nearly covered by development costs or property taxes.

Make the responsible choice for our city, our finances, and our sustainability as a city.

Thank you,  
Paula Hrycenko

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Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Pauline Prowse  
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Pauline Prowse



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Peg kelly

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**From:** Peter Acker

**Sent:** November 5, 2021 11:08 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Nov.09, 2021, GIC meeting re: Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello, my name is Peter Acker, a constituent of Ward 3, and am OPPOSED TO THE MOVE TO EXPAND THE CITY OF HAMILTONS URBAN BOUNDARIES.

Given that the City of Hamilton has officially declared recognition that a "climate crisis" poses an existential threat, I find it incomprehensible that it would choose a plan that would expand its boundaries, unconscionably paving over prime 1, 2 and 3 farmland, requiring tremendous new unnecessary infrastructure spending, and contribute to higher greenhouse gas emissions, greater traffic congestion and higher taxes.

I also fail to see how large manor-type homes situated on large expanses of property can possibly be viewed as making the home ownership more affordable.

All very valid reasons to oppose boundary expansion.

Thank you, Peter Acker

Peter Acker

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Peter Hurrell  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 5:42 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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**From:** Philip Howarth  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:04 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I have lived in Hamilton since 1968. I have been a resident of Ward 13 since 2015. I think City Council should focus on infilling of sites in the city before any urban sprawl is contemplated.

There are lots of vacant and old industrial lands in the city where rehabilitation and infilling with medium- or low-cost housing can be done. As an example, an area I know is bounded by Barton Street W, Queen Street N, Stuart Street & Bay Street N. It just sits there with nothing happening. I think it was a possible site for the Tim Hortons Field. It would be a great residential area. It is near Bayfront Park and the GO Station. The city should focus on infilling of sites in the city before even contemplating building on agricultural land. It may not suit developers, but it is the best approach for the future of our city and the surrounding productive agricultural land.

Philip Howarth

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** phyllis dixon  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 8:29 PM  
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PHYLLIS DIXON

**From:** Rachel Harper  
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**From:** Rachel Hofing  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 1:59 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Let's work with what we have

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Rachel. I live on the East Mountain, and I own a business in the downtown core in the Beasley neighborhood.

Daily I see people who have come upon tough times and are living in tents and begging on the streets. Meanwhile, I also see buildings in disrepair, rent escalating beyond what is decent and human, and housing becoming an auction for the highest bidder.

I believe that with some hard work and creative thinking, the city of Hamilton can keep our urban boundaries as they are and make better use of the space and buildings we have, all while coming up with actual solutions for homelessness, beyond throwing money at organizations that may try to home people without addressing any of the other issues. The issues are large, there is no denying that, but if we can't help our fellow humans out by being compassionate, innovative, and organized, what are we doing as a city?

We can't exist just for the wealthy and the middle class. We have to work collectively for everyone.

Spreading out and creating more sprawl won't solve these problems and will just create more unaffordable fought over housing.

Either way, it's time to make some real plans, that benefit our entire community.

Thanks for reading,

Sincerely,

Rachel



Rachel Hofing

Hamilton , Ontario

**From:** Rachel Thornton  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:16 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

As a Hamilton resident in flamborough riding I would like to inform you of my appeal for no sprawl.

As a millennial housing is a top of mind issue, but it should not come at the cost of valuable agricultural and environmental land. Allowing these developers to build homes are not going to improve the housing situation for individuals like myself. These homes will likely be in the 800k+ house range which are not for first time home buyers like myself.

What Hamilton/Ontario needs is revitalizing the existing info structure, vacant property/absent landlord taxes. Real estate should not be a business, access to affordable homes is necessity.

Allowing developers like Mars to built new ones is not fixing the current issue at hand, it's allowing investors to line their pockets more.

Thanks,

Rachel Thornton

Rachel Thornton

Hamilton, Colorado

**From:** Rebecca Jahns  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:12 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No urban sprawl in Hamilton!

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi there,

My name is Rebecca and I have lived in Ward 10 for all of my 28 years. My parents and grandparents have lived here for over 50 years now, and we have always loved to call Stoney Creek home. But we have witnessed much change as well; many of the areas that were once fields or orchards are now covered in cookie-cutter developments that are becoming increasingly less affordable for the average Hamilton resident.

I understand that populations grow and we need to make room for people, but I truly do not think that lining the pockets of already-rich developers while losing valuable farmland is the way to do it. There is plenty of space within our current urban boundaries that can support residential and mixed use development, that I hope can be more affordable for people in the future. We don't need sprawls of single-family detached homes. We need in-filling and smart development for economic, environmental and social reasons.

I hope that you will put the wants and needs of Hamilton residents before money in this situation. Please do the right thing and vote "no" on the urban boundary expansion. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Rebecca

Rebecca Jahns

Stoney Creek, Ontario



**From:** Rebecca Kallsen

**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:06 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Say 'No' to Urban Boundary Expansion in Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Rebecca Kallsen, and I've lived in Hamilton for 31 years.

We all know that Hamilton is a growing city with booming education, healthcare and tech sectors, plus a dynamic arts and culture scene. Now's the time to build within the existing city. Investing within our current urban boundary preserves surrounding farmland, lowers greenhouse gas emissions, and ensures our tax dollars are used to maintain existing infrastructure. By building on under-utilized land within the city limits, we can create more affordable, walkable, bikeable and less car-dependent neighbourhoods. This promotes healthier, more active lifestyles. Developing within our existing city limits supports small, local businesses, vibrant neighbourhoods and healthier citizens – for today and decades to come.

The City of Hamilton asked for citizen feedback, and 90.5% of us said NO to expanding the urban boundary. Please do the same and say NO to urban boundary expansion, for the sake of our children, our health, the success of our local businesses, and the environment.

The community at large doesn't want this expansion, and we need you to be on our side.

Rebecca Kallsen

Hamilton , Ontario

**From:** Rebecca Potter  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 3:57 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop sprawl now

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Rebecca, and I live in ward one.

Every day, I take my dog for a walk. We go past Dundurn Castle, down the stairs to the waterfront trail, up around Hutch's and the GO Station and back to my house. For months, I've been staring at the empty lot across from the GO station on Stuart Street whenever I walk by. Land owned by the city and so vacant that there's now water run off from the lot onto the sidewalk and onto the road. I think the idea of turning this vacant lot into low-income or community housing just makes common sense, especially after you walk past the encampment on the Bayfront trail and across the street from Hutch's.

And this is just one lot, there are plenty of others across the city, along with derelict store fronts with apartments above them that look deserted.

Why are we thinking about sprawl before looking for space WITHIN the city first??

My girlfriend and I are both in our 30s and we cannot afford a house in the city. There's a house on our street that sold for nearly \$1 million! The housing market is a mess, and urban sprawl isn't going to solve it.

Figure it out, it's literally what you're paid to do. If you don't want to listen to Hamiltonians, then you're in the wrong business. It time to make a difference.

Rebecca Potter

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Rena Rice  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 10:29 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Save Ontario Farmland Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Elected Officials,

As an adult I've lived in Toronto, Thunder Bay and for the past 26 years have called Hamilton home, in Ward 14. As a teenager I worked on the family farm near Halton Hills. The quality of the soil and climate we have here in southern Ontario, especially the Hamilton & Niagara Peninsula, are exceptional and unique, being classified as "prime agricultural land" (classes 1-3), the bulk of which is Class 1.

According to the Neptis Foundation, less than 5% of Canada's land mass is prime agricultural land (includes all types), about 52% of that is arable, and of that, only 0.5% is Class 1-what we grow our tender fruits and vegetables on. It is a scarce resource indeed! Yet it's benefits are plentiful.

They offer us the ability to successfully grow tender fruits and vegetables, and there are precious few places in Canada, let alone Ontario, that can do that. This in turn offers shorter, domestic supply chains that keep our prices down, give opportunities for employment, and provides tastier more nutritious food. Once this fertile crescent is developed for housing, commerce, industry or transportation, it's ability to feed us is LOST, FOREVER.

While we may be a large province, there is actually very little arable land - it's from Lake Simcoe southward, above that is the Canadian Shield. What we do have within our city are many areas that are available to be developed, perhaps not as easily as outlying areas, but they are available and closer to supporting services and existing amenities.

We need to learn a lesson from Europe and England who faced the facts and acted to preserve this precious, irreplaceable resource. Permitting development of this prime arable land is irresponsible to future generations and shamefully greedy.

Please vote to stop urban boundary expansion.



Thank you for considering.

Rena Rice

Rena Rice

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Rhu Sherrard  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 5:35 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Cheers R.  
**Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier. -Mother Teresa**

**From:** Rita Dalla Riva  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 9:43 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No to Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Rita Dalla Riva and I'm a constituent of Ward 7. I was born in Hamilton and have lived here all my life including 33 years at my current address. Over the last several years I have seen first-hand what ugly urban sprawl has done to farmland, particularly in the upper Stoney Creek to Binbrook area.

I understand the need for housing, but this expansion, and others in Ontario, is clearly for the enrichment of Doug Ford's lobbyist developer friends. I have yet to see any development or plan that demonstrates how this sprawl will benefit anyone else. I have not seen one single housing development that people in need of housing could actually afford. It's time to stop recklessly paving over farmland and start concentrating on the core of Hamilton. I have no interest in my tax dollars going towards new infrastructure before repairing or replacing the old.

The environmental impact is highly concerning. The current provincial government has shown it's contempt for science with it's inept handling of the covid pandemic and scrapping cap and trade, so it's lack of concern comes as no surprise. Imagine what the tens of millions of taxpayer dollars that Doug Ford wasted on fighting the carbon tax could have done for affordable housing.

I am so sick of Doug Ford pretending, in his phoney patronizing fashion, that he's for the "little guy". It's time for Hamilton's city council to stand up for the wishes of the majority of Hamiltonians and say "no" to urban sprawl. Doug Ford and his regressive conservatives need to stay out of our business. I look forward to the next municipal and provincial elections.

Rita Dalla Riva

Hamilton , Ontario



**From:** Robert Coxe  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:57 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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Robert Coxe

**From:** Robert Findlay  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:43 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a lifelong Hamilton resident currently living in the Kirkendall neighborhood of west Hamilton. I am also the senior managing partner of an established Hamilton law firm with a recognized association with major Hamilton institutions.

Together with the vast majority of Hamilton residents I strongly oppose the boundary expansion, not only for the preservation of over 3,300 acres of valuable farmland but more importantly reducing the city's carbon footprint going forward. This is the most impactful health and environmental decision that the city will be making in our lifetime. Let this be Hamilton's COP26 statement to the world.

Robert Findlay

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Robert Hicks

**Sent:** November 4, 2021 10:06 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** An eBook has been published this week internationally that mentions the Hamilton Ontario urban sprawl debate.

Clerk City Clerk,

Good evening to all:

My name is Robert Hicks and I wish to speak up against urban sprawl in Hamilton and in other parts of Ontario. I published an eBook this week titled: Our Future: Let's talk about the climate crisis. A story for attendees of COP26 and a few billion others.

This eBook follows a serious discussion between a man and his son about the climate crisis and our future. Poetry presented by the father to his son plays a part in this story. Also in this story is a mention of the urban sprawl debate taking place now in Hamilton Ontario.

This eBook is now available at: <https://www.amazon.com/Our-Future-climate-crisis-attendees-ebook/dp/B09KSYH8D9>

In light of the COP26 conference now taking place this eBook may get international attention. If so many people around the world make take notice of the urban sprawl debates in Ontario Canada.

I hope you will make wise decisions.

Sincerely,

Robert Hicks - Poet Activist

Niagara Falls

Robert Hicks

Niagara Falls, Ontario





**From:** Robert Momcilovic  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:48 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No country expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Robert Momcilovic from Mount Hope

I live in the country to NOT be in crowded neighbourhoods. Hamilton has so many empty lots in the city on Barton st. If these areas were revitalized and all used, i could see the urban expansion. But there not. Big business sees big\$\$\$ in urban expansion and will do what they want. All our efforts are invaine, because Hamilton council NEVER listens to anyone.

Robert Momcilovic

Mount Hope, Ontario

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From: Joanne Palangio  
Sent: November 4, 2021 10:12 PM  
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Thank you,  
Ron and Joanne Palangio  
Ward 14

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Ruth Pickering  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 2:48 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Vote NO to Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

As a grandmother and resident of Hamilton (Dundas), I urge you to vote NO to Boundary Expansion. Citizens have already spoken loudly and strongly against Boundary Expansion in the citizen survey. All evidence points to the need and efficacy of housing densification, supporting and enhancing agricultural lands, forests, wetlands and swamps and existing green spaces as these are powerful actors in Climate Mitigation, resilience and pathways to a greener, more equitable transition. It would be unconscionable to lock in these boundary encroachments which will only increase financial risk of worsening climate risk and put our citizens in Harm's Way as the Climate Emergency gains even more momentum.

Ruth Pickering

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** S.Alan Wraggett  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:05 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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**From:** S Holloway  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 3, 2021 5:53 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Do not expand urban boundary

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a resident of Ward 4 in Hamilton. I have studied submissions from both sides of the discussion and have concluded that any additional urban sprawl will have a negative effect on our city and environment. As climate change warnings are mounting, let's get excited about finding new ways to make our communities affordable, walkable and vibrant.

S Holloway

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Sandy Leyland

**Sent:** November 4, 2021 2:51 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** please stop the sprawl! to all the above named please send this to them

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello all my name is Sandy Leyland and I am opposed to the expansion of the city's boundaries, why? It is simple we need to keep all green areas green, we need wetlands, and we really do need farmers to feed us and they need their farms to do this. There is a lot of space in Hamilton, look at the old Jamesville site, closed for many years that is a very large area that could house people living in poverty and as well those who have money to buy lux condos. All the empty spaces in this city that could be used for housing everyone, the land is here yet the mayor and council want to go into the country. The majority of people voted against the sprawl, and is the mayor and council really wanting to go against the majority of the taxpaying voting public? Why does the Ford government have the say on what any city in this province want to do with their lands? We are at a critical stage of climate change, so very close to the tipping stage. If humans go past it then we will all die, not fast, but I think slowly from breathing in all the air pollution all the traffic will cause. If the province and the city of Hamilton really want to clear up the gridlock, then add more Go trains and Go buses to the daily route and make the cost appealing. The more people use the system the more money Metrolinx will make.

Please pay attention to what the people of this city really wants, no sprawl outside of the city's existing boundaries.

Thank you for your help

Sandy Leyland, concerned citizen of this great city of Hamilton

Sandy Leyland

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Sara Anderson  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:28 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Please vote no for the urban boundary.

I would love to take my son on walks thru the places I played and picked fruit as kid. Building \$800 000 homes doesnt help the poor and middle class who cant afford it.

Sara

Sara Anderson

Hamilton,

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**From:** Sarah Ann Bernhardt  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:33 PM  
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S.A. Bernhardt

**From:** Sarah Wakefield  
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There are ways to increase housing - including ground-related housing - within the existing boundary, including brownfield redevelopment, laneway housing and lot subdivision, and higher densities. Challenge stimulates creativity, while expanding the Urban Boundary guarantees sprawls, habitat destruction, and loss of farmland. We can no longer continue to destroy the land to accommodate "growth", and need to learn to do things differently. Also, we need affordable housing plans that address inequity and housing markets, not just try to grow our way out of the problem (which clearly isn't working).

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Sarah Wakefield  
Dundas

**From:** Sean Erskine  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 9:24 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Sean Erskine. I've lived in Hamilton for 41 years. I do not want this. The corrupt few bedfellows who stand to make a profit for this proposed expansion do not share the best interests of the local residents. This does not benefit the many fine people who call Hamilton home.

Sean Erskine

Hamilton , Ontario

**From:** Sean Hurley  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 10:11 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Supply chain foreshadowing

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Mr. Mayor and Members of Council,

We're losing the fight against climate change. The supply chain disruptions we're experiencing in the wake of the pandemic is a foreshadowing of what we may expect as the cycles of droughts, fires, and floods impact crop production and distribution around the world.

Where will the GHTA's food come from if we can't grow it ourselves because sprawl took it all? I know you care about your children and grandchildren, please ensure they have land on which to raise food and provide habitat to nature. It is the right thing to do.

Respectfully,

Sean Hurley

Hamilton , Ontario

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**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:08 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My husband and I have lived in Mount Hope for over 35 years.

We need to stop the urban sprawl. Focus on the core of Hamilton. We cannot continue to expand the city boundaries. It makes no sense. We need our farm land. Fix up the inner city streets and houses. Build more affordable housing.

Thank you.

Sharon Humphreys

Mount Hope, Ontario

From: Sharon McKay  
Sent: November 4, 2021 4:43 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Cc: VanderBeek, Arlene <[Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca](mailto:Arlene.VanderBeek@hamilton.ca)>  
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Sent from my iPad

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On November 9th at the GIC meeting you have the opportunity to make a decision that will allow you to leave your position with a wonderfully positive legacy for children, grandchildren and great grand children that forges a way of planning for Hamilton's future that the City has been inviting its citizens to be part of. An exciting and new way forward. Something we can work towards and be proud of. We will see healthy urban lifestyles restored in Hamilton over the coming years. A firm urban boundary. Conserved farmland and/or natural lands, restored natural lands evolving over time naturally all protected from urban sprawl. A true greenbelt around Hamilton that connects with natural land corridors within the urban boundary.

In 2019 Hamilton City Council declared a Climate Emergency and directed City staff to identify and investigate actions to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2050. As well Hamilton called citizens to Bang on the Table and provide input on Hamilton's future. Hamilton is asking citizens to become involved in Engage Hamilton. Are City Councillors listening to what citizens are saying? I know a good number of Councillors are listening. Today I am hopeful for the future of Hamilton. I pray I still feel hopeful at the end of the day after the November 9<sup>th</sup> GIC meeting.

Dear Councillors, you cannot imagine how much your vote, on November 9th, is going to impact the citizens of Hamilton, not just on that day but forever. Like never before have citizens come together and Banged on the Table as you have invited us to do, and we are following through, so please listen to our call to make good change for Hamilton. Please vote for No Urban Boundary Expansion.

Do not let an ill informed self serving provincial premier and his provincial party members take Hamilton down. Challenge the development industry to bring forward plans that restore urban lifestyles in existing Hamilton urban boundaries.  
Invest in existing infrastructure to make Hamilton resilient and healthy.

Give genuine meaning to the public acknowledgement you will make at the beginning of the GIC meeting, recognizing we are on traditional lands by voting to protect land rather than pave it over under tonnes and tonnes of concrete and asphalt. Vote No Urban Boundary Expansion.

Sincerely,

Sheila O'Neal  
Ward 14



**From:** Sheila Hagen  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:12 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No urban boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Brenda Johnson,

My name is Sheila Hagen and I think that for the present time it is best to put a hold on any further urban boundary expansion. I have lived in Mount Hope since August 1999 and have slowly watched farmland and the golf course near our house get sold to developers. The roads around here have greatly increased in traffic, which I assume is causing more pollution. It's sad to see farm land and trees disappear, and also the wildlife that used to depend on these areas have to move out further. The only wildlife that I have seen for the first time this summer were rats in our neighbourhood which I assume is from more residents and the garbage moving into this area. If the city does decide that they have to do more urban boundary expansion it would be nice if the developers and builders could try to save more trees as they put up new buildings. I'm sure this costs more money when building but it would be nice to see this done.

Thanks,

Sheila Hagen

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Mount Hope, Ontario



**From:** Sherly Kyorkis  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:09 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** NO to sprawl, YES to housing security and affordability!

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Shirley Pettit, RN  
Research Coordinator  
Hamilton Health Sciences

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Sent: November 4, 2021 4:44 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Cc: Merulla, Sam <[Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca](mailto:Sam.Merulla@hamilton.ca)>  
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Thanks,

Simona Körber,

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Sonya Cuttriss  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:28 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Tip: Introduce yourself and write in your own words why you don't want an urban boundary expansion [DELETE this Tip before sending]

Sonya Cuttriss

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Steve Kolovos  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:19 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Ancaster area development

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello.

My name is Steve kolovos. This letter is to expres my thoughts on the plan to develop and expand Hamilton.

I think the city expansion is not planed well. I live around Garner and Fiddlera Geen. I have already witnessed development being added to the areas between Glancaster Road and Shaffer road. This development has caused increased traffic and delays. Garner road and the 403 are not built for the level of traffic any new development may bring. The roads are too narrow and I have not heard of any plans for either roads to be widened to accommodate for this expansion.

I drove home the other day from upper James using Garner road at 3:40 pm. The volume of traffic heading to Ancaster was unacceptable. I took Glanacster road to Book to avoid the volume but it too was full and bumper to bumper.

I feel any expansion of the city should first address the infrastructure of the surrounding roads and transportation though these areas. Until this is completed. No expansion should occur. All levels of government talk about climate change. I don't understand how adding thousands of homes and business in green areas and having single lane roads causing slow moving traffic will help with green house gasses.

No to expansion.

Thank you

Steve Kolovos

Ancaster, Ontario

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**From:** Steven McAulay  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:15 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Good Morning,

The People of Hamilton have made it clear we are against sprawl. It would be nice to see Council stand up for what the people are saying. I believe confidence in Hamilton Council is at an all time low, this is an opportunity to show some leadership of who you represent. Let's save some farms & green space for future generations.

Steven McAulay.

Ward 6.

Steven McAulay

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Sue Kowch  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 2:40 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop the Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a lifelong resident of Ward 6.

I am seriously concerned about taking away farmland and green space from our southern boundaries. The effect on our environment will be detrimental to future generations.

Please consider revitalizing older homes and buildings to accommodate the need for more housing - particularly affordable housing.

Thank you,

Sue Kowch

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Susan Baker  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 3:48 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Save The Land

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi Jason,

I love seeing farmland, mature trees and nature so close to our inner urban core. I am pretty sure you know all the reasons why our land should be saved from developers.

Susan Baker

383 Hess Street South

Ontario

Hamilton , Ontario

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Thank you very much, Susan Wortman, Ward One

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Sent: November 5, 2021 9:19 AM

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Suzanne McCarthy

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Suzanne Sulikowski  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:07 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]NO TO SPRAWL

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello ,

My name is Suzanne Sulikowski and I am a resident of Ward One in Hamilton. I have owned a home and lived in Hamilton since 2003. I oppose any boundary expansion that would permit more development beyond current confines. We need agricultural areas. A city with higher density is more vibrant.

I say no sprawl.

Sincerely,  
Suzanne Sulikowski

Suzanne Sulikowski

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** SYLVIA KRAUS  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:31 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

My family has been growing trees in Carlisle, Ontario for over 70 years and Thank Goodness for that. If you have been following the G7 environmental summit this week you must be aware of how discussions there have focussed around the importance of tree and forest and Green Space preservation in order to address global warming.

However it would seem that the current Ontario PC Government is on drugs (not surprisingly it does run in the family) and thereby totally oblivious and apathetic to environmental concerns. It is quite astounding that an elected representative could be so Blatantly Ignorant.

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Sylvia Kraus RP, RYT, MA.  
Millgrove, ON

**From:** T Fraser  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 11:31 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Urban Boundry Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

You work for the people that elected you. You asked them what they wanted. They said NO EXPANSION!!! Once this land is gone, it will be gone forever. Do not make this your legacy.

T Fraser

Hamilton, Ontario

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**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:15 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No More Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a current Ward 8 resident and want you to know that I am 100% against the sprawl option. We have an opportunity right now with the fantastic news of LRT and the growth potential within the existing boundaries to expand. There is no need to enrich the developers and real estate agents and companies by building over our farm land. Once it's gone, it's gone forever. The manipulating that is happening within the provincial government and the developers, is shameful. The people have spoken, we are your constituents, and you should represent us with integrity and fight for what the people have spoken: NO MORE SPRAWL.

Teresa LaFave

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**From:** Tim Panton  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:43 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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Sent from my Bell Samsung device over Canada’s largest network.

**From:** Tom Flemming  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:56 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca); Farr, Jason <[Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca](mailto:Jason.Farr@hamilton.ca)>  
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**From:** Tory Kenny  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:10 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** The Residents Have Spoken: No Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Good morning,

I live in Ward 2 / Beasley neighbourhood. Every day, I walk past empty parking lots, vacant and abandoned properties, and underutilized spaces. Every day, I speak to friends, family members, and neighbourhoods about our housing crisis. Every day, I see our unhoused residents in tents. Sprawl is not the answer to our problems. Single-family housing surrounded by bright green lawns is not the answer to our problems.

At a time when Hamilton is at a critical crossroads of infrastructure building, with the imminent construction of LRT and the recent all-day GO service, we need density more than ever. Our downtown is a beautiful collection of historic buildings, surrounded by endless potential.

At every parking lot, I see potential. From mixed-income housing to the "missing middle" density to purpose-built apartment buildings. There is room in Hamilton's existing urban boundary for so much more. Developers, looking to make more money on the backs of our farmers, our workers, and our unhoused, are demanding an urban boundary expansion -- because building suburbs is easy. It's easy money, it's easy selling.

What we are missing, is a commitment to the vibrancy of our existing city. A commitment to building within our boundaries. We have a responsibility to our neighbours, to our future residents, and to our environment to say NO to urban boundary expansion. I will remind you, that Hamilton residents overwhelmingly supported the NO option on a recent city-produced survey. This is the survey that should be considered in this decision, not a survey paid for by developers.

Residents have spoken, and we should listen.

Thank you,

Tory Kenny and family

Tory Kenny

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** tracy ryckman  
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Sent from my Galaxy  
Tracy Ryckman



**From:** Vicky Neufeld  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:14 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Expanding the boundaries- no thank you

Clerk City Clerk,

Greetings,

I have been living in the GTA, Hamilton, and other urban areas for twenty years. We have enough underdeveloped or open land within Hamilton city limits already. Taking some of the most fertile and arable land in North America to build more subdivisions will not only cause irreparable harm to the environment, but also further drain Hamilton of its vibrancy and unique qualities.

The greater need isn't for speculation on urban sprawl, but on maintaining existing infrastructure and sustainability within existing boundaries.

Thank you for your time, please keep the boundaries as is.

Vicky Neufeld

Hamilton , Ontario

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**From:** Vilija Govedas  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 4, 2021 10:05 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No to sprawl!!

Clerk City Clerk,

Vilija Govedas here from Durand in Hamilton. Please stop the idea of Urban expansion. We need farmland to grow food. We need intensification in our core that is slated for LRT, not on farmland. Build housing in the city to make Hamilton a vibrant urban city full of life and lower property taxes for all.

Vilija Govedas

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** wannie armes  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 4:51 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Cc:** Ferguson, Lloyd <[Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca](mailto:Lloyd.Ferguson@hamilton.ca)>  
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Sent from my iPad

**From:** William Hill  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 12:54 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** SSHO

Clerk City Clerk,

Stop the sprawl in Hamilton; stop the 413; stop Ford in 2022.

William Hill

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** William Roebuck  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:36 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I'm a long -time resident of Dundas and, formerly, of West Hamilton since 1965.

Please don't repeat previous planning mistakes based on projections supplied by seemingly authoritative ministries at Queen's Park. Those in question now are instruments of a "development " outfit intent only on its own profit. And that of Premier Ford.

The expansion lobby is a sham that has nothing to do with provision of affordable housing. The destruction of green/agricultural land is a crime. It is not reversible when you change your mind.

Don't be an accomplice.

Yours in hope and expectation,  
W. G. Roebuck

William Roebuck

Dundas,

**From:** Yacoob Kathrada  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 11:34 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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**From:** Yvonne Moloughney  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 6:57 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Uban Sprawl limits

Clerk City Clerk,

I don't believe Hamilton needs to expand beyond Twenty Road to the south, as we need to keep as much green space as we already have. As a former School Bus driver, I travelled this road both East and West, also East of Up. Centennial and feel that it's progressing quickly as it is. I know many fields up here on the mountain aren't being used by some farmers but to let that open space be gobbled up with more concrete and asphalt will do nothing for our environment but more harm.

Yvonne Moloughney

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Alex Adams <[info@sg.actionnetwork.org](mailto:info@sg.actionnetwork.org)>  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 10:56 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Sprawl - a classic "narrow interest" scenario

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi, my name is Alex. I am writing you today to remind you that urban sprawl is a classic narrow interest scenario.

On November 9th you can choose to make 10 guys richer, or we can choose to force developers to build the communities of the future the majority of constituents across all wards want- walkable, green, diverse economic centres that foster local business and community.

Given we are in a climate emergency, we need to be re-naturalizing environments, not paving more.

Please vote NO urban boundary expansion - for all of us (less the 10 rich guys)!

Alex Adams

Hamilton, Ontario L8n2x6

**From:** Carly Billings <[info@sg.actionnetwork.org](mailto:info@sg.actionnetwork.org)>  
**Sent:** November 6, 2021 1:17 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** NO SPRAWL

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

My name is Carly Billings and I am a resident in Ward 5 of Hamilton, ON. Hamilton is the traditional lands of my people the Mississaugas of the Credit and the sister city to my family's ancestral hometown in Italy, Castiglione a Casauria. Hamilton is more than home to me and to consider even for a moment this proposed expansion for urban sprawl in our community is dangerously irresponsible for current and future Hamiltonians. We live surrounded by some of the world's most beautiful and lush farmlands and green space while so much already developed land lays in states of decay. It is these already developed spaces that are our solution, not urban sprawl and not a community so spread out and disconnected that literally paved paradise to put up some townhouses, which will be the outcome should this come to pass. Enough is enough. No sprawl.

Thank you,

Carly Billings

Hamilton, Ontario L8K 5Z9

**From:** D R  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 6:24 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

Dear City of Hamilton,

I am appalled that this issue has not been resolved. Why ask the people of Hamilton what they want to just ignore them. 90% of the respondents clearly indicated their desire not to have the urban boundary expansion. It is time for developers and city planners to innovate or at least look beyond the status quo. I have lived in both Germany and Sweden where public transit is amazing and large sections of the city are pedestrian only. There are large green spaces inside the city and the downtowns are vibrant. We need people living closer to the downtown areas, not pushing them further away and then build more roads to maintain.

It is time to change and Hamilton City Council and the General Issues Committee need to adopt the No Urban Boundary Expansion Scenario full stop.

David Reed

**From:** deborah spoto <[info@sg.actionnetwork.org](mailto:info@sg.actionnetwork.org)>

**Sent:** November 6, 2021 2:25 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** "This is not policy and institutional reform. This is high-level bombing and needs to be resisted."

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello Mr Eisenberg:

I may not be a Hamilton resident but the road that I live on is split. My neighbours across the street are in Hamilton, while I am in Brantford. Yes we are rural and yes I am surrounded by viable and productive farms and farmland. Doug Ford seems completely hell-bent on paving over parts of the Greenbelt and contravening the permanent moratorium. Bulldozing the greenspace that now houses the Ancaster Fairground was the first battle. The war of attrition will continue against the greenbelt if development isn't stopped.

Deborah Spoto

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**From:** Don Brown <[info@sg.actionnetwork.org](mailto:info@sg.actionnetwork.org)>

**Sent:** November 5, 2021 7:45 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Jason,

The extent to which agricultural land is being given over to residential and commercial use is not confined to Hamilton. Everywhere I go this is happening. All the more reason for Hamilton to show leadership in taking a more holistic approach to accommodating peoples' need for shelter. There's lots of space within city limits to provide for this need; and with the additional Intent to help solve the lack of affordable housing in our city.

Please think of the earth, the ground, as the Source of everyone's well being, rather than a Resource to be exploited for the benefit of a few.

Don Brown,

Hamilton, Ontario L8R 3P9

**From:** Evelyn Auchinvole <[info@sg.actionnetwork.org](mailto:info@sg.actionnetwork.org)>

**Sent:** November 5, 2021 3:40 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** Stop the Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a resident of Ward 7. I have lived in the Ward for <>45 years.

I want my voice heard on the matter of urban sprawl. I am tired of being ignored on issues that are important for the wellness of the city and the population it supports. Building on agricultural lands that would feed us and our grandchildren in years to come is short sighted and foolish.

There is no wisdom in the decision. The Covid 19 global plague has provided lessons for future policy and planning in good governance of assets at hand. Farmland is one of those critical assets. The people are speaking: hear us. You have no excuse in pleading ignorance.

Evelyn Auchinvole

Hamilton , Ontario L9A 4A2

**From:** Kathy Bond <[info@sg.actionnetwork.org](mailto:info@sg.actionnetwork.org)>

**Sent:** November 6, 2021 9:41 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** Urban expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Councillor Lloyd Ferguson,

My husband and I have lived in Ancaster for over 60 years. We feel it is the open fields, farmland, and conservation areas that have created a peaceful sense of what our community values.

We are very concerned a decision to develop farmland would have a major negative impact for residents and the environment. There is a whole ecosystem that relies on our farmland which we all benefit from directly and indirectly.

Please do the right thing and vote against the sprawl.

Kathy and Ken Bond

Ancaster, L9K 0A1

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From: kathy cozens <

Sent: November 5, 2021 4:36 PM

To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

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Kathy



**From:** Kristina mcgill < >  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 11:06 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Cc:** Office of Ward 3 City Councillor Nrinder Nann <[ward3@hamilton.ca](mailto:ward3@hamilton.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

Please see this article if you have not already, it really hits home with my message below! This is what Hamilton should be doing and where we should be heading before any mention of sprawl happens. Growing the city from within will make our community stronger!!!

[https://www.thespec.com/opinion/contributors/2021/11/04/mapping-hamiltons-vacant-spaces-helps-paint-a-picture-for-the-future.html?fbclid=IwAR3wOdo77HsuXmzKvAvQd\\_S2lpD-dQ4-sxJdQgcflMwbJMApmfGuQVo2XDw](https://www.thespec.com/opinion/contributors/2021/11/04/mapping-hamiltons-vacant-spaces-helps-paint-a-picture-for-the-future.html?fbclid=IwAR3wOdo77HsuXmzKvAvQd_S2lpD-dQ4-sxJdQgcflMwbJMApmfGuQVo2XDw)

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 4, 2021, at 11:47 PM, Kristina mcgill < > wrote:

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In addition to the above I would love to see existing and neglected buildings being removed and/or renovated to add more available housing.

Example 89/91 Wentworth South. If this building exists and is derelict how many more are there around the city in a similar state? They could be better utilized to account for some of the much needed housing that we as a community so desperately need. Is there no way the city could do a survey of all the unused/derelict buildings/houses in Hamilton to work on first before we go encroaching on farmland?

Should we not as a community be focusing on housing the people who are already here, rather than thinking about the people who might be coming in 15, 20, 25 or 30 years from now? The people here need affordable housing, mansions are not that! We need studios or one bedroom, 2 bedroom apartments to help people get off the street! There are far too many tents and encampments with people struggling to be focusing our energy on how to help developers!

Thank you

Kristina McGill

Ward 3 resident and Hamilton lover!

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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Lauren Campbell <  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 12:51 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
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**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No Urban Sprawl Please

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Leslie Greene. I am a life long Hamilton resident and I currently live in Ward 2. Please do not bow down to developers pressuring you to expand our city limits by developing all our usable farmland. There is ample space within the city to infill and provide much needed housing. It might take a bit more effort but it is better in the long run. Urban sprawl cannot be allowed to continue. On top of the loss of farmland you have to factor in the cost of the infrastructure to support the sprawl and the cost of building and maintaining roads. We can't afford to repair the roads that we currently have. Please do not sacrifice our much needed farmland. Once you do it will be gone forever. Continued sprawl is bad for the environment and adds to our climate emergency! We cannot afford to do this! Please do not side with the developers who are only looking at their own self interest and profit line. Thank you

Leslie Greene  
Hamilton, Ontario L8P 3G3

**From:** Mane' Arratia <  
**Sent:** November 6, 2021 5:19 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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**From:** Melissa Dowdall <[info@sg.actionnetwork.org](mailto:info@sg.actionnetwork.org)>  
**Sent:** November 6, 2021 6:37 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No urban boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Hamilton City Council, Premier Ford, Minister Clark, MPP Skelly, and MPP Shaw,

My name is Melissa Dowdall and I am a tax-paying, voting resident of Hamilton.

I understand that this week Hamilton city council will again be voting on the proposed boundary expansion for the city. I am asking you to vote NO BOUNDARY EXPANSION. Here's why:

Please consider the cost of this proposed expansion. Look to other cities as an example. In Ottawa, their urban boundary expansion now costs the City of Ottawa \$465 per person each year to serve new low-density homes built on undeveloped land, over and above what it receives from property taxes and water bills. On the other hand, high-density infill development, such as apartment buildings, pays for itself and leaves the city with an extra \$606 per capita each year, a financial benefit that has grown by \$151. The financial cost of expansion alone should be enough to vote against it. However, please also consider the farm land that will be permanently lost.

The land in the proposed boundary expansion is valuable farm land. Ontario needs this land to be able to feed itself. Currently, we are already short on being able to grow enough food to sustain ourselves. An urban boundary expansion would make this worse, increasing our need to import food, driving up food costs. Instead, increasing the local food supply (rather than expanding the boundary) would create several more jobs in the Hamilton area and would help Ontario to better provide for itself. A link to a study showing our lack of local food supply and how keeping local farms can improve it can be found here:

[https://d3n8a8pro7vhm.cloudfront.net/greenbelt/pages/1231/attachments/original/1422904616/2015-02-04\\_Dollars\\_Sense\\_report\\_final.pdf?1422904616](https://d3n8a8pro7vhm.cloudfront.net/greenbelt/pages/1231/attachments/original/1422904616/2015-02-04_Dollars_Sense_report_final.pdf?1422904616)

Instead of expanding, we should repurpose the under-utilized land within the current city borders. Maps have been made to show there is a lot of land within the city that is not being

used, which we could repurpose rather than expanding. Here is a link if you'd like to see:

[https://www.thespec.com/opinion/contributors/2021/11/04/mapping-hamiltons-vacant-spaces-helps-paint-a-picture-for-the-future.html?fbclid=IwAR3wOdo77HsuXmzKvAvQd\\_S2lpD-dQ4-sxJdQgcfIMwbJMApmfGuQVo2XDw](https://www.thespec.com/opinion/contributors/2021/11/04/mapping-hamiltons-vacant-spaces-helps-paint-a-picture-for-the-future.html?fbclid=IwAR3wOdo77HsuXmzKvAvQd_S2lpD-dQ4-sxJdQgcfIMwbJMApmfGuQVo2XDw)

Please listen to Hamilton residents and consider the evidence I've provided. Do the right thing and vote against the proposed boundary expansion.

Thank you,  
Melissa Dowdall

Hamilton, Ontario L8H 3X4

**From:** Michael Greene <[info@sg.actionnetwork.org](mailto:info@sg.actionnetwork.org)>  
**Sent:** November 6, 2021 9:04 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No to urban sprawl.

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Michael Greene and I am a lifelong Hamilton citizen. I've lived all over the city and currently live in Ward 2.

Please do not pave over my local food supply. I'm trying to live my life and eat healthy in the city I love.

Refresh our city with new housing and businesses by reusing the abundant inner properties available and don't expand into our farm land.

We as citizens deserve more say in our future, not the profit driven developers who seem to always get their way.

Listen to the people it directly impacts. Warning: we vote.

As councillors making impactful decisions affecting our lives , who are you representing?  
The saying is - Once it's gone, it's gone. I believe that, do you?

Thank you.

Michael Greene

Hamilton , Ontario L8P 3G3



-----Original Message-----

From: Mionne Taylor <

Sent: November 6, 2021 1:05 PM

To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

Cc: [judi.partridge@hamilton.ca](mailto:judi.partridge@hamilton.ca)

Subject: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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Mionne Taylor

Millgrove ON L8B1P2

**From:** Myfanwy Armes <[info@sg.actionnetwork.org](mailto:info@sg.actionnetwork.org)>

**Sent:** November 5, 2021 7:23 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** Stop the sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I live in Ancaster. I used to live on a farm. If you allow the developers to take our prime farmland we can not get it back. We have seen too much of this already. Yes you may see more taxes but that doesn't cover the irreversible harms you will have allowed

Myfanwy Armes

Ancaster, Ontario L9g3s4

**From:** SANDY BOYLE

**Sent:** November 6, 2021 9:33 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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**From:** Shawn Boecker < >  
**Sent:** November 5, 2021 5:28 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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regards, Shawn Boecker  
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**From:** Aaron Lamers  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 2:53 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Aaron from Hamilton Delta West

Clerk City Clerk,

Keep the current urban boundary in Hamilton exactly where it is. The old sprawl model is tired, benefits fewer individuals and even threatens our collective future wealth and health! We need a new model of Smart Growth, to build in and not out, for the population increase expected in the City of Hamilton over the next 30 years.

Aaron Lamers

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Alison Diamond  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 3:08 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

As a concerned citizen of Hamilton, Ontario, a nurse & an educator, I am deeply concerned with the Provincial Government's direction regarding Urban Sprawl. Under Doug Ford's leadership the PC government has pushed the builders' agendas, not the peoples' agendas. We have plenty of unused areas in the downtown core of Hamilton, that could be used to build affordable housing, and improve the lives of our local citizens. Destroying good farm land to build huge single family homes that only profit the corporate builders & not the local taxpayers, nor the farmers, is not the way forward! Especially during a Climate Emergency, that we are now experiencing. We need to be reducing our traffic congestion, not building more roads, to new mega homes, for a few privledged people with big wallets.

Do the right thing! Stop the attack on farmers, farmland & unhoused people. Stop the Urban Sprawl - listen to the thousands of citizens opposed to this expansion, and not to a few greedy builders!

Thank you, Alison Diamond RN, BScN, MSc

Alison Diamond

Hamilton, Ontario L

**From:** Allison Bennett  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 7:48 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Stop Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Good Morning,

I live in the Kirkendall neighbourhood in Hamilton and also work as an Engineer and Consultant on a team that focuses on making our cities better. We cannot afford to support sprawling infrastructure costs, both for hard municipal infrastructure like roads, utilities to support a lower density of people, but also cannot afford to support this amount of resource from a climate change perspective (re embodied carbon, requirement for private cars, city shaping). Let's activate our streets, support transit focused development and focus on making our core a great, vibrant place to live. I love Hamilton, but do not want to see us stretch ourselves too thin and wreck havoc on our communities if we support sprawling patterns of future growth.

Thank you for your time,

Allison Bennett, P.Eng.

Allison Bennett

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** anne chaffee  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 12:08 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Doing the right boundary thing.

Clerk City Clerk,

I have been living in Ward 1 for 20 years (I graduated from McMaster and never left). I've read a number of articles and research pieces providing data that supports the need for urban intensification rather than urban expansion. From an economic, public health and environmental perspective it makes sense. Please make the decision not to expand our urban boundaries. Thank you for listening.

anne chaffee

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Abbie Little

**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 8:44 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]City of Hamilton - a key player in STOPPING urban boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Good evening,

My name is Abbie Little, I live in Ward 3 in Hamilton Ontario, and I am sending this letter to you to voice my opinion on stopping urban boundary expansion.

1. Sprawl is costly - it takes an incredible amount of taxpayer dollars to maintain roadways, sewers, parks, security etc. and urban sprawl is exacerbating this decline in our City. Sprawl would only contribute to a greater problem

2.Reducing farmland - by expanding the urban boundary, farmers are pushed further away from city centres, making cost for food transportation much higher and increasing pollution to ship it to us.

Thank you,

Abbie

Abbie Little

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Arianne DiNardo

**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 7:45 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Stop the sprawl!!! Hamilton should grow up not out

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

My name is Arianne Di Nardo, I have lived in Ward 4 for one year, but grew up spending a lot of time with my grandparents in the Rosedale neighbourhood. We used to go out to the orchards and strawberry fields in the spring and summer as a family. We visited the Binbrook area frequently as well where our regional cultural centre is located. I have always been enamoured by the greenery and wild life that surrounds Hamilton and it pains me to think of that all being clear cut to make way for more homogenous residential zone. The City of Hamilton has already destroyed valuable ecological and culturally important sites along the Red Hill Valley with the freeway. We are fortunate to live in a bountiful and beautiful area and we need to preserve it, especially as climate change continues to escalate. We have a responsibility as treaty people to treat the land and its resources with respect. That is literally a law of the land here and which the founders of this place agreed to. Do the right thing and save the farmlands and environmental areas surrounding Hamilton. Individual citizens have mapped out areas in the urban core that are underutilized and could be housing for people. Let's grow up not out. Stop with your greed.

Regards,

Arianne

Arianne DiNardo

Aberfoyle Ave

Hamilton , Ontario

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**From:** Ashleigh Edworthy

**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 8:03 AM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Maintain Our Rural Areas (Against Urban Sprawl)

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Ashleigh and I am a proud resident of Flamborough, Ontario. I am in favour of 'No Urban Boundary Expansion' as it will allow us to maintain our beautiful portion of the Greenbelt. Living in the rural areas of Hamilton and working in the city, I see the effects that urban sprawl could have on some of the few beautiful green spaces we have left in our area. I believe revitalizing abandoned, unused or dilapidated portions of our city would be the better option for the longevity of our entire community, the preservation of local farmlands and for the future of Hamilton as a whole.

Ashleigh Edworthy

Troy, Ontario

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**From:** Ashley Devenny  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 9:03 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Concern About Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hi,

My name is Ashley Devenny and I am a resident in ward 2. I am very concerned about the urban boundary expansion being discussed. I am worried about the loss of prime farmland and how this impacts food security/sources. I also don't see how development in this area will address our housing crisis and need for affordable housing. The units that are built in these areas cost so much for tax payers due to need for development of new infrastructure and the cost of these houses are astronomical meaning most families in our city can not afford them. I would like to see the city focus on developing under-utilized land within the city boundary to address housing needs prior to further discussion of urban boundary expansion.

Thanks! Hope you will take this into consideration during tomorrow's discussion.

Ashley Devenny

Hamilton, Ontario

Ashley Devenny

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Alan Ernest  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 8:58 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** NO Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

As a lifelong Hamilton resident I am deeply concerned that our city retain natural areas and farmland and avoid further negative impacts from urban sprawl. Studies, such as that recently completed by Hemson Group for the city of Ottawa, show that sprawl is a drain on taxpayers, while urban intensification increases income for municipalities with no cost to residents. Sprawl leads to increased greenhouse gas emissions - something that we cannot promote given the desperate state of our planet. Let's choose to make our current urban area more efficient and vibrant. Please support no urban boundary expansion.

Sincerely - Alan Ernest

Alan Ernest

Carlisle, Ontario

**From:** Benjamin Doek  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 6, 2021 4:35 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Boundary Concerns

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear council members, my name is Benjamin Doek writing to you from my family farm in Ward 12. Developers are begging you to let them bulldoze 3300 acres of prime farmland to accommodate your population increase. But while developers see dollar signs the citizens see greed. 1 Timothy 6:10 says "The love of money is the root of all evil." With the population increase farms will be more important than ever and we're going to need every acre of it. I must go now but you must make the decision now: Are you willing to starve? I hope you enjoy your evening.

Ben Doek

Benjamin Doek

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** betty muggah  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 11:56 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]NO to Hamilton Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

This is THE time for you to take a responsible position, to demonstrate leadership , and to resist the pressure from developers. Please vote NO to further boundary expansion in Hamilton. We need to protect and preserve all of our farmland and natural green spaces; we do not need more new suburban development. We need to use our existing land already zoned for commercial and residential development. Please do the responsible thing and lead by example...vote NO MORE URBAN BOUNDARY EXPANSION . Do the right thing for the climate, for our health, for our children and grandchildren, for our City.

Betty and Henry Muggah, Residents of Hamilton for 35 years.

betty muggah

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Bob Takast  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 7:49 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Urban Boundries

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello, My name is Bob Takast. I am a resident of Glanbrook and have been for almost 40yrs. now.

I have watched our once rural area turn into suburbs over the last number of years and have yet to see any affordable housing being introduced. Everything that has been built has been done so to benefit the developer, builder, and often for the folks that just want more. This type of growth heightens the flooding problems, pollution problems, and more traffic on our roads for longer periods of time just getting to and from their destinations. The infrastructure dollars that would be used to develop these lands could help make the many repairs in the areas where they are needed now while at the same time developing those areas for additional homes.

There certainly seems to be many options for housing in the existing boundaries, let's not waste our remaining rural lands just so the few that reap the rewards are satisfied.

Regards

B. Takast

Bob Takast

Mount Hope, Ontario, Canada,

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**From:** Branislava Despinic  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 1:31 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

To whom this may concern,

My name is Branislava and I am a young adult living in Hamilton. Hamilton has been my home since I came here as a young girl from a small county in Eastern Europe and I have always appreciated the beautiful scenery this city has to offer and the incredible farmland, it always reminded me of my childhood. When I heard about the news, that city council wanted to pave over farmland, I was devastated and equally angry that anyone would think that it would create a better future for Hamilton. We are already battling Climate Change, unaffordable housing, and extreme divide of wealth, given that there are areas in Hamilton with an extremely wealthy population while there are areas where people die daily from opioid overdoses. Paving over farmland will decrease access to affordable fresh foods for everyone in the city, and put the farmer's lives at stake. It will create an even bigger climate problem and will not help the city combat poverty.

Thank you

Branislava Despinic

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Brent Jukes  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 9:25 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Brent i live at stoney creek on what use to be a 100 acre fruit farm GONE My neighbors to the east of me 100 acre fruit farm GONE My neighbors to the west of me the historical Billy Green fruit farm 96 acres GONE it has been owned by developers who have been lobbying for years to tear it down and have it re zoned.I dont know where we will get all of our fruit and vegetables from when all of these family farms are gone to make developers rich.With all the influx of GTA home buyers moving to the Hamilton and surrounding area because of house prices you can already see the the difference in traffic,noise ,pollution,over crowded schools in out lying areas.Please Please stop the urban sprawl and do not listen to greedy lobbying Developers who have one thing in mind not the farms not the people but MONEY

Brent Jukes

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Stoney Creek, Ontario

**From:** Brian Greig  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 11:06 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Please do not spread urban boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

I am a lifelong resident of Hamilton...43 years on Mountain and, now, 14 years in urban Dundas.

We have seen urban decay and blight in our urban core...now, municipalities see re-invigorating opportunities in these areas.

Hamilton can also seize these opportunities for efficient growth that serve our whole community.

We say that we acknowledge the climate emergency, now, let's take steps to limit the climate effects of growth.

We can do this for our mutual benefit...short/medium/long term.

Please we beg you to change the mindset from urban sprawl.

Our community is not alone in making these decisions...let's look forward to a shared future of health and wellness, not backward to out-dated thinking...for our children and grandchildren.

Sincerely,

Brian Greig

Brian Greig

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** brody  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 11:26 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** nov 9 gic 21-021 - item 5.1

Hello councillors,

At this point in time I support "NO URBAN BOUNDARY EXPANSION" and I ask that you do as well. As a society one of our addictions is to "sprawl". Healing this addiction will not be easy, particularly when there are powerful actors who stand to gain from its continuation. Nevertheless now is a crucial time to take steps towards a healthy city and healthier paradigms of "growth".

Thank you all for your consideration, particularly to the councillors who recognize the ecological crises we face and are willing to make the politically "tough" choices that acknowledge this reality.

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Brody Robinmeyer B. A.

**From:** Carl Cuneo  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 11:07 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Dundas Valley

Clerk City Clerk,

I have been a home owner and resident in downtown Dundas since 1998. I enjoy walking and biking the surrounding trails and farmland. Urban expansion would increase my taxes. As a taxpayer i would have to share the burden of paying for the expanding infrastructure (roads, bridges, sewers, water, piping, etc) to support commuters building into our rural areas. For this reason i am opposed to urban boundary expansion. Thank you, Carl Cuneo.

Carl Cuneo

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** Carli Hogan  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 8:16 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** "No" to Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Good morning,

My name is Carli and I live in Ward 14 in Hamilton, and this is the second time I've written in to voice my concern about expanding the urban boundary. I completed the survey and like many of my fellow Hamiltonians voted 'No'. Approx 90% of those surveyed voted 'No' - The people have spoken. Please take me and your other constituents seriously and support our stance on stopping the sprawl and instead further developing our inner City to build a better Hamilton with affordable housing options. Thank you!

Carli Hogan

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Christine Fuss  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 10:33 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** NO SPRAWL

Clerk City Clerk,

I'm heavily weighing moving away from Hamilton if they vote for sprawl. The property taxes are killing me as it is. We're in the outskirts here by Waterdown, and I can't afford stuff that I don't even get to enjoy. We've been waiting for a Bypass here for 25 years. The traffic sucks. I'm out in the country and because of the traffic, my "fresh air" is seriously tainted! They won't allow me to sever my property so my daughter can build her home beside me here (because we're on the not so green "Greenbelt") in a village surrounded by other houses, but they're allowing developers into farmland on the "Greenbelt". What's the difference? I don't have the money to grease politician's pockets! With the way the climate has been we will need ALL THE FARMLAND we have to feed ourselves. Food produced in the States is being heavily affected by the droughts and floods because of climate change and it would be very shortsighted to allow developers to spread on out there. We'll need it to feed Canadians not depend on other countries to do it for us. Going further North to farm produce just doesn't make sense. It would make food way too costly.

We need to fix Hamilton, it's infrastructure, MODERNIZE it and make it a bustling city where people won't be afraid to stroll and will happily move to. Right now there are so many "dark corners" and spots of emptiness that would surely accommodate all kinds of new housing creating a thriving city. Please no sprawl or (not that you care) I am done!

Christine Fuss

Millgrove,

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**From:** Christine Heidebrecht  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 11:35 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Opposition to boundary expansion in Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

I'm a resident of Hamilton, living in the lower city and am a parent of two young children. I am opposed to the expansion of our current boundaries for several reasons: despite claims to the contrary, an expansion would not address the city's housing crisis, rather it would drive up property taxes and consequently the cost of housing in all areas of the city; the loss of vital farmland would mean that "local" food is further away and accessing it would require a greater carbon footprint; and last but certainly not least, the proposed development would irreparably destroy precious ecosystems. The only people who stand to benefit from this expansion are developers and the politicians they've convinced to support them.

Sincerely,

Christine Heidebrecht

Christine Heidebrecht

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Leroy THOMAS  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 6, 2021 5:36 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

I am writing to urge Hamilton City Council and the General Issues Committee to adopt the No Urban Boundary Expansion Scenario (total assessed land need of 0 ha between 2021 and 2051). In order to protect what remains of our “white belt” farmland and natural heritage, and meet Hamilton’s 2050 climate obligations, you must reject trojan horse plans for “phased” settlement area boundary expansion, and direct staff to accommodate the entire projected demand for homes and workplaces, including single- and semi-detached homes, within the existing settlement area boundary. <BR><BR>Firstly, through simple and purposeful bylaw changes, most of the tens of thousands of post-war lots already set to be redeveloped as “McMansions” over the next 30 years can be used to create more modestly-sized (e.g., semi-detached) homes rather than just one larger one. This untapped potential is discounted in the present 30-year Land Needs Assessments, even though governments from California and Oregon to New Zealand are already reforming zoning to unleash it.<BR><BR>Second, the large area of unused “Designated Greenfield Area” that was sacrificed to sprawl in previous Municipal Comprehensive Review processes (roughly 4500 acres as of 2019) should be developed at the densities (90-100 people and jobs per hectare) typical of ground-related “residential” neighborhoods in southern Ontario that we know allow most residents to get by largely car-free. The current Assessment plans for densities even lower than the 80 pjh legally required by the Province prior to the summer of 2020. <BR><BR>This summer, the City’s approved process showed 90% of residents (16,636 of the total 18,387 who responded) want No Urban Boundary Expansion. The only way for Hamilton Council to respect this decision, or even to keep its future options open, is to formally adopt the No Urban Boundary Expansion Scenario (0 ha) on November 9th.

**A message from Cyndy THOMAS' iPad**

**From:** Daniel Boot  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 9:54 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]No Hamilton Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello!

My name is Daniel Boot, I'm a 36 yr old resident of Hamilton in the Stinson neighbourhood and I'm writing today to urge you to vote against expanding the urban boundary. The people don't want it, there has been research showing that we don't need it. There is plenty of empty space within the city limits we can use before considering expanding the boundaries. Climate change, the cost inefficiency, the disappearing farm land and animal habitats are more reasons to vote against expanding. The expansion only benefits the developers, and not the general population or the planet.

Vote "no" on expansion.

Thanks,

Dan.

Daniel Boot

Hamilton,

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**From:** Danijela Jovic  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 11:21 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No to boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

I'm writing to ask you to please stop the further erosion of our green spaces and farmlands so that a handful of builders can enrich themselves.

We need to have family farms (help farmers instead of letting them get squeezed out by factory farming) that can provide local produce and meat for our city.

We need to turn our attention to the unused and neglected spaces in our city that can be remade and rezoned for housing.

We don't need more matchbox townhouses in every place there used to be a field. (Fields aren't empty spaces, they are important to a healthy environment and provide home and food to many species).

Please vote no to urban expansion, because that's a vote for progress. A vote against cronyism. A vote to move forward in a way that actually addresses climate issues.

Thank you,

Danijela Jovic

Danijela Jovic

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Debbie Edwards and Rick Csiernik  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 9:57 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Please say NO to the Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

We are residents in Ward 8 of Hamilton and have lived here for over 30 years.

We have witnessed the growth and housing demand within Southern Ontario over the years and in particular in Hamilton. We have also witnessed the many areas within the existing Hamilton boundaries that remain vacant or are not being used to their full potential.

We are living in a time when we are dealing with a climate crisis that the world has not seen before, and when maintenance of the City's existing infrastructure is already a significant budgetary challenge.

We would ask the Provincial representatives to refrain from interfering with planning decisions that are within the decision-making authority of Hamilton City Council, when such interference appears to be based on ideology rather than the local conditions of the City of Hamilton.

We would ask Mayor Eisenberger and Members of Council to strongly consider what type of community we want to leave for our children and for future generations. We would argue that Hamilton needs to be an environmentally, financially and socially sustainable community and that involves saying no to the proposed urban boundary expansion.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this important matter for future generations of the City of the Hamilton.

Debbie Edwards and Rick Csiernik

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Debbie Toth  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 9:06 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Stop urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

“Business as usual” is no longer! We have got to be realistic about our food security and save the farmland we have left to feed ourselves. If we don’t, we will be importing our food from countries who use the very pesticides that have been banned here and who use slave labour of all ages. The prices will be staggering. We are in a crises situation so we had better act like it and vote “NO TO URBAN SPRAWL” while we still can.

Debbie Toth

Debbie Toth  
Hamilton , Ontario

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**From:** Denise Giroux  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 11:07 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Tomorrow this council must do the right thing and REJECT urban sprawl.

There is so much infill opportunity available to be used for housing construction in the years ahead, including along the LRT route. Cities cannot continue to pay over fertile lands, just to make it easy for developers to continue to build as they have/wish to continue to do. There are clear, KNOWN alternatives to building vibrant municipalities which also rein in the costs both financial and social, to development.

We sincerely hope that you will have the courage and good sense to curb the sprawl. Doug Ford doesn't understand or doesn't care about the future sustainability of the region or the province. His lack of sanity cannot be allowed to prevail.

Denise Giroux

Hamilton ,

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**From:** Diane Herechuk-Crossen  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 7:43 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop the Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Tip: Introduce yourself and write in your own words why you don't want an urban boundary expansion [DELETE this Tip before sending]

We need more farm land for our growing population, not more concrete, bricks and dwindling forests.

Think of our future generations, not profit for developers pockets.

Diane

Diane Herechuk-Crossen

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Diane Shamchuk  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 8:58 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Elected representatives who work for the residents of Hamilton.

My name is Diane Shamchuk and I've lived in Hamilton with my family since 1994 and in ward 1 for the last 15 years, and my vote is to STOP sprawl into the white belt of Hamilton and develop within Hamilton city limits.

Affordable housing doesn't come Sprawl, it comes from increasing density within our current infrastructure, with smart urban planners who work for you and not the developers.

Vote for Option 2 - No Urban Sprawl - and send a clear message to the urban planners and the Provincial government, that the health and well being of the citizens of this city trumps greed!

Sincerely,  
Diane Shamchuk

Diane Shamchuk

Hamilton , Ontario

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**From:** DONNA AKREY  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 11:25 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** URBAN BOUNDRY

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello

My name is Donna Akrey ad I live in Ward 3-Landsdale. I moved to Hamilton because it seemed like a unique city with promise. A city that could learn from the past and make a place to live better for all. I am beginning to worry. Please lets think about how to make the downtown and urban areas more livable for all. Calgary sprawled out--and now their downtown is dead and depressing. Lets embrace the love and life potential of this city. Lets look at European cities and try to imbue the core with life. It is communities that make a city. Please---No Sprawl!

Thank you for listening  
Donna Akrey

DONNA AKREY

HAMILTON, Ontario

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**From:** Elizabeth Gray  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 7:23 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Sprawl please!!

Clerk City Clerk,

I have lived in Hamilton over 30yrs and don't want an urban boundary expansion. I want a Hamilton that can grow its own food and protects our precious high quality farmland.

We need housing but I believe we need affordable housing, medium density and infill housing. Also we need small lane way, SDU and Tony houses too.

Our city is filled with vacant apts and storefronts that speculators appear to be sitting on. Tax them for vacancy in a way that incentivizes upkeep and rental occupancy to help solve our housing crisis. Occupancy also improves neighbourhood safety.

Hamilton's best features are green spaces, waterfalls and walkable neighbourhoods and beautiful surrounding countryside.

No more bloated suburban growth. Let's make Hamilton Lean, Green and Clean!!

Elizabeth Gray

Hamilton , Ontario

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**From:** Ellen Morris  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 9:55 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop the urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

To all concerned,

My name is Ellen Pipestem. I live in Ward 3, Hamilton. I am adding my voice to the many others in this city who do not want the urban boundaries changed. There is so much that can be done within our existing boundaries. The developers just need to be motivated.

I believe that lots can be done within our existing boundaries first before using up our precious green space. As one of my fellow residents said. "Ask us again in 20 years". In other words, be creative and build up not out. I also understand that some of the green belt is not being farmed right now. Still, holding on to our green space for future generations is a must. Please do the right thing for our kids and back off the expansion.

Thanks for paying attention to my point of view.

Respectfully,  
ELlen,

Ellen Morris

Hamilton, Ontario

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**From:** Erica Hall  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 11:30 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Farmland is important!

Clerk City Clerk,

Farmland is very important as a food supply. If this pandemic was a plague like pandemic where contracting the virus was almost certainly a death sentence, we would need our farmland to support us. For one there wouldn't be enough people to transport goods around the world. Countries probably wouldn't want to send their goods off for other people and finally we wouldn't want to import things from other countries at all to prevent the spread of the disease.

What if there was a war?

How would we feed our people if there is no farmland near by?

I take the bus along Rymal every weekday and have seen farmland change to housing and what farmland is left is already slated to be paved over. More people, less food growing space...not a good strategy!

Please don't make us starve in an adverse event!

Thanks!

Erica Hall

Hamilton , Ontario

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**From:** Eshan Merali  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 11:21 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Letter for November 8th Council Agenda

The following is a submission to be included in the November 8th Council Meeting on the topic of budget discussion.

Hello Mayor and councillor members,

My name is Eshan Merali, I am a proud Hamilton resident living in Ward 3. I am incredibly disappointed in the actions taken by the city following the end of the injunction. Houseless Hamiltonians being removed and their belongings being taken and destroyed does not aid in dealing with the housing crisis. With lack of shelter space, people are being forced to move into the escarpment, putting themselves in further danger with the approaching colder weather. The city's actions have been inhumane, and I demand that in this budget meeting, funds be allocated towards housing support for these encampment residents that were forcibly removed. Additionally, I demand that the forcible removal of encampment residents is put to an end. Disappearing houseless residents does not solve anything, it's time for you to take meaningful action and make serious steps to resolve the housing crisis in Hamilton.

Best,  
Eshan

**From:** Eva Hatzis  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 8:38 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

My name is Eva and I live in Ward 14 with my partner and 2 children.

I sincerely hope that council REJECTS an urban boundary expansion. There are other ways to develop Hamilton to make it a vibrant, fun place to live, and more suburban growth is not the way to accomplish this. Let's give Hamilton a chance to mature by keeping our urban boundary as it is. Also, think of the cities any of us love to go to visit or would want to visit....they often have interesting, dense neighborhoods and lots of mixed use. Let's make the brave (and correct) choice to not expand our urban boundary.

Last but not least, if we take the climate emergency seriously as a city, the choice not to expand is a given!

Sincerely,

Eva

Eva Hatzis

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Eva Novoselac  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 10:06 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Eva Novoselac, I am a student at McMaster University studying Environmental Science. As someone who keeps up-to-date with the climate emergency and as someone looking to make my future sustainable, stop urban sprawl. There are ways to make better use of pre-existing urban areas without jeopardizing farmland, green space, and many ecosystems.

Eva Novoselac

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Freddie Mac  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 6, 2021 6:16 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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**From:** Gail Faveri  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 10:27 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Phased growth is still urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Urban sprawl, the development of large individual homes and industries on currently unserviced land, is expensive and unsustainable.

As a civil engineer in Ward 8, I support urban development within the current boundaries of the City of Hamilton. Not only am I fully aware of the costs of the engineering infrastructure (roads, sewers, water mains) and of the social infrastructure (schools, libraries, rec centres, transit) for far-flung residential developments, I am aware of the environmental costs. In these weeks when COP26 (after a summer of prairie drought, BC wildfires and 600 heat-related deaths) is making us all aware of the oncoming perils of the climate crisis, we must do all we can to develop sustainably. Urban sprawl onto valuable farm land, decreases the opportunity for locally grown produce to supply city dwellers, increases stormwater runoff and the risk of floods, the extent of urban heat effects, and green house gas emissions, as the private automobile is the only viable means of transportation. Let's start now to meet our 2030 and 2050 emission targets by restraining urban growth to within the current city limits.

The development of housing outside the current city limits allows developers to continue construction techniques that are familiar and thus easy, although detrimental to the environment and subsidized by higher taxes on the current city dwellers.

Within the current city limits are sufficient green, brown and grey fields as well as ample opportunities for rezoning to develop higher intensity housing, townhouses, fourplexes, coach houses and in-law suites. Empty houses ripe for makeovers abound. A mix of housing, incorporating retail and commercial industries, promotes a walkable city with low emissions. District heating becomes feasible and transit costs reduce. Hamilton should encourage developers to explore opportunities to assist in its vision of a livable vibrant city by building within the current city limits.

Voting for a phased approach to boundary expansion continues the myth that new housing on farmland is affordable housing, provides a lifestyle which people want, and is compliant with our emission targets. A phased approach is still accepting that urban sprawl is a necessary and sole solution to an increased population. The wasteland of subdivisions, with its twiggy trees, no amenities within walking distance, no transit services and no night life, is not what I want. The increase in my taxes to pay for such housing I do not want.

Please join me in my support for "Option Two" no urban sprawl.

Gail Faveri

Hamilton, Ontario



November 8, 2021

Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Coordinator  
General Issues Committee  
City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

Dear Mrs. Paparella,

**Re: City of Hamilton Staff Report PED17010(o)**  
**Our File: P-4518**

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Altus Group Economic Consulting has reviewed the growth management and municipal finance aspects of the November 9, 2021 staff report submitted to Council by the City's Planning and Economic Development Department regarding GRIDS 2 Municipal Comprehensive Review – "How Should Hamilton Grow? Evaluation" (PED1710(o)).

#### Growth Management/Land Needs Considerations

We agree with the staff observations that the No Urban Boundary Expansion scenario would not conform with Provincial policy and the Provincial Land Needs Assessment Methodology. It would also negatively impact the City's housing supply, and exacerbate the City's housing affordability problems.

We have reviewed the analysis undertaken by the City's consulting team in the context of the Provincial Land Needs Assessment Methodology (the "LNA"), which all municipalities in the Greater Golden Horseshoe are required to use to forecast land needs. The objective of the LNA is:

*... to provide sufficient land to accommodate all market segments so as to avoid shortages that would drive up land cost for both housing and employment uses (page 6 of the LNA).*

As required under the LNA, the City's consulting team prepared a forecast of housing need by dwelling type which was included in the December 2020 Technical Working Paper, City of Hamilton Land Needs Assessment to 2051. Compared to the City's own forecast of housing need, the No Urban Boundary Expansion scenario would result in substantial shortages of single- and semi-detached units (46,435 units) and row units (12,850 units) over the 2021 to 2051 planning horizon.

From a growth management perspective, the No Urban Boundary Expansion scenario would not conform to the complete community policies of the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and would not be consistent with the housing policies of the Provincial Policy Statement because it fails to provide the range and mix of housing options required to meet the forecast needs of current and future residents.



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We agree with the City's planning staff's finding that:

*The risk to planning for a growth scenario that is deemed by the Province to not conform to the Growth Plan and Provincial methodology is that the Province will not ultimately approve the City's implementing MCR Official Plan Amendment. Rather, it could refuse the amendment or make revisions to the amendment to bring it into conformity without consultation with the City. (page 34)*

### Municipal Finance Considerations

In our view, the No Urban Expansion scenario would have a negative impact on existing Hamilton ratepayers.

We agree with the municipal finance analysis undertaken by Watson & Associates for the City of Hamilton which found:

*The infrastructure requirements to service an additional 236,000 residents and 132,000 employees will be substantial under both scenarios, however, based on the above discussion, it is likely that costs will be more significant under the No U.B.E. option. ....*

*Land costs required to develop parks and recreation facilities will be much more substantial in existing urban areas. Given the higher degree of intensification growth under the No U.B.E., it is likely that these costs will be more significant. ...” (GRIDS 2: Ambitious Density vs. No Urban Boundary Expansion – Fiscal Considerations, page 120 of Appendix A to Report PED17010(o))*

The Review of Financing Options for Growth: Grids 2 prepared by Watson & Associates identifies various financing options the City may use to help mitigate cash-flow issues related to the financing of growth-related infrastructure. The Watson report notes:

*These financing agreements with developers function well in greenfield areas, where there is usually a group of developing landowners that own large blocks of developable land. It is usually more straightforward to engage a group of landowners that are planning to develop large areas to upfront the required costs for infrastructure. In contrast, lands to be used for intensification are often owned in small lots by homeowners and businesses. It becomes much more difficult to provide upfront financing for infrastructure as usually only large developers would have the financing ability. (GRIDS 2: Ambitious Density vs. No Urban Boundary Expansion – Fiscal Considerations, page 122 of Appendix A to Report PED17010(o))*

The No Urban Boundary Expansion scenario would have a negative impact on existing Hamilton ratepayers because the cost of providing infrastructure and public service facilities to growth will be higher compared to the Ambitious Density scenario and the potential to use developer financing agreements to help finance growth-related capital projects will be effectively eliminated.



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The City will be better able to implement the financing options identified in the Watson report if the City maintains control over the settlement area expansion through the implementation of an MCR Official Plan Amendment providing for an urban boundary expansion that conforms with Provincial policy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeannette Gillezeau". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jeannette Gillezeau, BES, MA  
Senior Director, Research, Valuation & Advisory, Economic Consulting  
*Altus Expert Services*, Altus Group

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November 4, 2021

**Mayor Eisenberger & Hamilton City Council**

Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, ON, L8P 4Y5

Dear Mr. Mayor & Council

**RE: GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review – Urban Boundary Expansion  
Response to Information Report PED17010(o)  
DiCenzo (Golf Club Road) Holdings Inc.  
TBG Project No. 21725**

On behalf of our client, DiCenzo (Golf Club Road) Holdings Inc., we are providing this letter to voice our client's support for the recommendation (b) by City Staff to adopt the "Ambitious Density" scenario as the preferred Community Area land needs scenario to accommodate the Provincially mandated forecasted growth to 2051. The land need, as identified in recommendation (b)(iv), consists of 1,310 gross developable hectares to the year 2051.

While we support the "Ambitious Density" scenario and the required 1,310 hectares, we disagree with recommendation (c) by City Staff to phase the land needs into three 10-year tranches. It is our opinion that all required lands to meet the 2051 forecasted growth should be brought into the Urban Boundary at this time and designated to an appropriate Official Plan designation. Phasing for these new Community Area lands can be achieved through the development of Secondary Plans.

To that point, recommendation (d) authorizes Staff to evaluate phasing of growth options in accordance with the GRIDS 2 / MCR Growth Evaluation Framework and Phasing Criteria. In a scenario where all 1,310 hectares of land are brought into the Urban Boundary at this time, managing the growth of these lands can be achieved without prescribing tranches of land under recommendation (c).

Furthermore, recommendation (f) directs staff to prepare an Official Plan Amendment to implement an interim urban boundary expansion up to 2031 with policies to ensure future urban boundary expansions for the following 10-year tranches. The recommendation states that for the lands beyond 2031, the Official Plan Amendment and policies would not "formally designat[e] the land as urban at this time". We disagree with this approach as it requires additional steps to redesignate land that has, in effect, been approved for growth at this time. Bringing all lands into the urban boundary now, and phasing the development of these lands through a comprehensive Secondary Plan process, will better achieve the goals of the "Ambitious Density" scenario and create stronger and more complete communities through an integrated design process rather than a fractured one as a result of the 10-year tranche approach as recommended by City Staff.

Our client is a reputable and long-standing member of the development community here in Hamilton since 1958 and has developed and built thousands of homes for Hamilton families. Through development they have provided thousands of jobs and contributed to the economic growth of the city for over 60 years. At the end of this growth horizon in 2051, they will have provided homes for Hamiltonians for nearly 100 years. Through the Ambitious Density scenario and urban boundary expansion, they will be able to continue to provide high quality homes to future Hamiltonians for decades to come.

In conclusion, we respectfully request that Council adopt the "Ambitious Density" growth scenario as recommended by Staff, however, we ask the Council to consider the alternative as proposed in this letter to bring all 1,310 hectares of land into the urban boundary at this time and allow phasing of these lands through an integrated and comprehensive Secondary Plan process.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,  
THE BIGLIERI GROUP LTD.



Anthony Biglieri, MCIP, RPP  
Principal Planner



Mike Pettigrew, B.URPI.  
Senior Planner

cc. DiCenzo (Golf Club Road) Holdings Inc.  
Russell D. Cheeseman, Solicitor





*A. J. Clarke and Associates Ltd.*

SURVEYORS • PLANNERS • ENGINEERS

November 8, 2021

City of Hamilton  
 General Issues Committee  
 71 Main Street West  
 Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

**Re: GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review  
 General Issues Committee – November 9, 2021**

Dear Mayor & Members of Council:

A.J Clarke and Associates Ltd. is based in Hamilton, Ontario and engages in the land development approvals process on behalf of clients across Hamilton and Niagara Region. As Professional Planners, we see firsthand the impact that Ontario’s housing crisis has had on both the residents of Hamilton and the strain that the development approvals process poses to the construction of new housing in this City. The cost of land, in combination with high demand for housing has resulted in Hamilton being named the 3<sup>rd</sup> least affordable city to live in North America.<sup>1</sup>

Hamilton expects to grow by 236,000 people in the next 30 years.<sup>2</sup> To accommodate the future growth of the City of Hamilton, A.J Clarke and Associates Ltd. recognizes the need for all forms of growth and supports the need for both appropriate infill intensification and greenfield development. Both types of development contribute to a greater range and quantity of housing choices throughout the City.

As Professional Planners, we are compelled to consider housing needs for both the residents living in Hamilton today and to consider the housing needs of future generations to come. The preferred urban growth expansion option recommended by staff will allow for a balanced growth scenario, combining the need for both intensification and greenfield development to support additional housing units and housing choices across the City of Hamilton. Unlike traditional urban sprawl, staff are recommending that the new greenfield area be required to achieve a minimum density of 77 persons and jobs per hectare, which will facilitate medium to high density development along with ground related units within the urban boundary expansion area.

For the reasons outlined above, we support the preferred recommendation of staff, being **Option 1: – “Ambitious Density” Scenario; Urban Expansion Land Need of 1,340 ha (3,300 ac)**. The Ambitious Density scenario is supported by a comprehensive study, in accordance with the Land Needs Methodology as outlined by the Growth Plan and Province of Ontario and has been peer reviewed to the satisfaction of both the peer reviewer and City Staff.

In our opinion, adopting the above growth scenario is in the public interest and will serve the housing needs of both current and future Hamiltonians to the 2051 planning horizon.

<sup>1</sup> <https://resources.oxfordeconomics.com/hubfs/Content%20Hub%20RBs/open20210518012500.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.hamilton.ca/city-planning/official-plan-zoning-by-law/grids-2-and-municipal-comprehensive-review>



Attn: General Issues Committee  
Re: GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. Fraser'.

Stephen Fraser,  
Principal, Planner  
A. J. Clarke and Associates Ltd.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'F. Kloibhofer'.

Franz Kloibhofer,  
Principal, Planner  
A. J. Clarke and Associates Ltd.

November 8, 2021

**Via Email**

City of Hamilton  
General Issues Committee  
Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

**Attention: Mayor Eisenberger & Councillors**

Dear Mayor Eisenberger & Councillors:

**Re: GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review – Urban Growth City-Wide**

We are Hamilton homebuilders and developers. We own lands in the Elfrida, Twenty Road East and Twenty Road West/Garner Road areas. We are not land speculators. We are long-standing members of the Hamilton community and, collectively, have constructed a very significant proportion of Hamilton's housing stock.

We continue to build homes and communities for Hamilton's growing population. Today's developments are smart, well-planned, complete communities. They make efficient use of land by incorporating a mix of residential densities, community facilities, open spaces, and environmental innovations.

Our planning consultants have provided letters commenting on the staff reports that are before you at your upcoming November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. While the letters provide some recommended refinements to the details set forth in the staff reports, they are in support of your staff's overall recommendations and advice, which call for responsible and necessary urban boundary expansions. Your staff is recommending an Ambitious Density Scenario that actively promotes intensification within the City's built-up areas.

Climate change is real. Hamilton Council recognizes this, as evidenced by your declaration of a climate emergency on March 27, 2019. We also recognize this, as evidenced by the fact that the homes we design and build are increasingly energy-efficient and by the fact that they are increasingly geared to meet the requirement of the anticipated net-zero Building Code. That said, a "no urban boundary expansion" scenario is not a silver bullet solution to climate change. Instead, a "no growth scenario" will result in a range of undesirable effects, including:

- exacerbating Hamilton's housing supply and affordability crisis;
- under utilizing existing and planned infrastructure within the Elfrida, Twenty Road East, and Twenty Road West/Garner Road areas;

- pushing young families to other areas, less able to handle growth pressures as responsibly and effectively as your staff are recommending for the City of Hamilton;
- pushing residents to areas further from commercial and employment centres thereby increasing reliance on the automobile; and
- contributing to ongoing land use planning conflicts driven by the limited land supply and the increased pressure on existing Hamilton neighbourhoods to accommodate unprecedented infill and intensification.

We urge you to support the well-researched and carefully considered advice of your professional planning staff to deliver on Hamilton’s promising future.

Yours very truly,



Al Frisina  
President - Frisina Group



Artstone Holdings Limited / Corpveil  
Holdings Limited  
Per: Counsel to Artstone / Corpveil



Carmen Chiaravalle  
President - Sonoma Homes



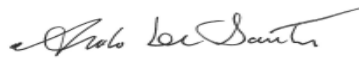
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President - New Horizon Development Group

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Cardi Construction Limited

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Liv Communities / Landmark Development

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Frank Spallacci  
Spallacci Group and Twenty Road  
Developments



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Paul Silvestri  
Silvestri Investments



**Monday, November 8, 2021**

City of Hamilton,  
 General Issues Committee  
 Hamilton City Hall  
 71 Main Street West, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
 Hamilton ON L8R 2K3

**Attention:** Chair and Members of the General Issues Committee  
**Re:** GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review – Items PED17010(M)(N)(O)

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On behalf of the Upper West Side Landowners Group (UWSLG) (formerly Twenty Road West Landowners Group), Corbett Land Strategies Inc. (CLS) is pleased to submit the following comments in response to the November 9<sup>th</sup> General Issues Committee meeting regarding the GRIDS 2 and MCR Urban Growth City-Wide Consultation Summary Report, Final Land Needs Assessment, Peer Review Results and other related items. These are intended to provide Council with a general response to Committee to assist in the deliberation of this crucial item.

**UWSLG IS AN INFILL AND COMPLETE COMMUNITY:**

As you are aware, the UWSLG is committed to delivering an infill and complete community for the lands bounded by Twenty Road West, Upper James Street, Dickenson Road and Glancaster Road. The proposed community is located adjacent to/within the AEGD which will offer employment opportunities in close proximity to future residents, thereby eliminating numerous possible vehicle trips. Further, the Land Needs Assessment has indicated that as the City maintains a surplus of employment, several portions of the community can be utilized to form a much-needed land use buffer between the AEGD and the existing residential community on the north side of Twenty Road West.

**UWSLG PROVIDES KEY ENVIRONMENTAL AND CIVIC INFRASTRUCTURE TO UNLOCK AIRPORT EMPLOYMENT USES:**

The landowners have gone to great lengths to assess and improve upon the current environmental attributes of the subject lands through an enhanced natural heritage system as well as a transportation system which includes the delivery of the much-needed Garth Street extension and transit connections to the Upper James BRT. This potential growth area is wholly encompassed within the current urban boundary and has been designed to achieve a density of 77 people and jobs per hectare through intensive residential forms such as townhouses and low-rise apartments. Opportunities to support the City's affordable housing goals are also proposed.

## **UWSLG PROVIDES AN IMMEDIATE OPPORTUNITY TO INCREASE HOUSING SUPPLY**

As demonstrated in a recent Oxford North America Housing Affordability Indices article dated October 29, 2021, Hamilton has been identified as the 3<sup>rd</sup> most unaffordable city in North America on a per capita/average income basis. This is a crucial statistic that needs immediate action. Based on recent historical trends, the rate in which new apartments are currently built in the City of Hamilton is not in alignment with the number of apartments needed to accommodate the forecasted population. This understanding calls into question the appropriateness of a “No Urban Boundary Expansion” approach which will rely on apartments as the primary form of housing. While a higher amount of apartments is necessary to accommodate growth, the amount set out in the No UBE approach will continue to constrain and delay supply and further fuel increases to the costs of home ownership.

Alternatively, the density provisions envisioned for the “Ambitious Scenario” will require greenfield developments to still achieve extremely intensive forms. Densities not even seen in some downtown areas will be required to be achieved by development within the lands to be added to the urban area. Scheduled increases to these targets will occur in 2031, 2041 and 2051.

## **UWSLG HAS FRONT-ENDED PLANNING COSTS AND FUTURE INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS:**

The UWSLG has front ended over \$3 million dollars in the preparation of planning, engineering and secondary planning studies which is normally paid by the taxpayer in Hamilton. The costs of development are being proposed under the auspices of a cost sharing agreement amongst the owners to deliver a complete community comprising of infrastructure and parks ahead of substantial occupancy to ensure a reduced burden on the City’s capital budget.

## **UWSLG WILL PAY FOR THE COSTS OF GROWTH:**

The cost implications of today’s low-rise development is vastly more efficient and in actuality results in a net positive fiscal impact, due in large part from the way in which Development Charges are established by the City and the densities these developments need to achieve. The adage that growth pays for itself is truer today than ever before. For example, the UWSLG commissioned a Financial Impact Assessment of the subject lands which determined that the proposed community would result in the following:

- \$175.5 million (2020 dollars) in DC revenues for the City, as well as \$10.3 million for school boards and GO transit;
- \$15.4 million (2020) in building permit revenues for the City;
- \$33.5 million in property taxes, \$17.7 million and wastewater/storm revenues and \$4.5 million in non-tax revenues for the City (2020 dollars);
- \$17.7 million to the City’s annual operating expenditures, which equates to approximately \$1,911 per person and \$859 per employee;
- \$55.7 million in ongoing revenues annually, exceeding costs the City will incur (approximately \$20.7 million); and,
- \$35.0 million in annual positive net fiscal impact.

Needless to say, the fiscal impacts of the proposed development clearly illustrate that growth pays for growth.

It is expressively recommended that the committee seriously consider the impacts to housing attainability and affordability that will arise from a No Urban Boundary Expansion approach to growth. The UWSLG recommends the committee adopt the staff recommendation for an Ambitious Density Scenario.

Further, to effectively alleviate the immediate supply and affordability crisis, and to properly implement policy requirements, the City should bring all lands appropriately required to 2051 into the urban boundary at this time in this MCR Official Plan Amendment, with phasing policies to manage growth once such lands are included in the urban boundary. We therefore propose a revision to recommendation (f) as follows:

*“(f) That Council direct staff to prepare a draft Official Plan Amendment as part of the MCR that implements an ~~interim~~ urban boundary expansion to **2051** and that includes policies to ensure that lands added to the urban boundary to accommodate growth to 2051 are developed in an orderly manner.*

Sincerely,

*John Corbett*

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John B. Corbett, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Corbett Land Strategies Inc.  
President  
[john@corbettlandstrategies.ca](mailto:john@corbettlandstrategies.ca)



**From:** Glenn Cunningham  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 8:00 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]NO SPRAWL in Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

Good morning,

My name is Glenn Cunningham and I live in Ward 7. As a lifelong Hamiltonian I strongly oppose growing the urban boundary. Intensification within city limits is the way to go as we cannot sacrifice important farmland and eco systems. This is unquestionably a dealbreaker for me when it comes time to cast my vote in our upcoming election. I will be watching with great interest to see how council handles this important topic. Regards.

Glenn Cunningham

Hamilton , Ontario

**From:** Grace Kuang  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 11:35 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Student Perspective on the Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Grace and I'm a McMaster University student that lives in Ward 1.

I'm writing because I care about climate injustice, which is the idea that in the cases of climate emergency, the already disempowered are disproportionately impacted. This idea applies to the urban boundary expansion: affluent people are the only ones who can benefit from this expansion (who else has the cars that can drive into the city? who is able to escape the core downtown pollution and destitution?) whereas poorer, racialized classes downtown are being deprioritized (draining investment away from the core of the city into the outskirts).

I encourage you think about the future of Hamilton city planning. 50-100 years down the line, do you really want to be the fool in the history books that refused to invest into a more climate resilient city AND heightened inequalities?

Please, stop the urban boundary expansion!

All the best,

Grace

Grace Kuang

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Hanna Schayer  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 10:49 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Urban Sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Hanna Schayer and I live in the great town of Dundas  
( ward 13)

We are living in a time which requires thoughtful and engaged discussions on the kind of future we want to create. One that is sustainable; one that addresses inequity; one that takes us back from the brink of climate disaster.

Expanding our boundaries is contraindicated to all these things. In our small part of the world we can make a decision that reflects our understanding that growth does not have to destroy more farmland or create communities dependant on cars or diminish the potential for a vibrant inner core. Our tax dollars should not be used to sustain expansion which contributes to inequity between our citizens.

No to boundary expansion. Yes to a more sustainable future in the Hammer.

Hanna Schayer

Dundas, Ontario

**From:** Sam  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 6:58 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

I am writing to urge Hamilton City Council and the General Issues Committee to adopt the No Urban Boundary Expansion Scenario (total assessed land need of 0 ha between 2021 and 2051). In order to protect what remains of our “white belt” farmland and natural heritage, and meet Hamilton’s 2050 climate obligations, you must reject trojan horse plans for “phased” settlement area boundary expansion, and direct staff to accommodate the entire projected demand for homes and workplaces, including single- and semi-detached homes, within the existing settlement area boundary.

Firstly, through simple and purposeful bylaw changes, most of the tens of thousands of post-war lots already set to be redeveloped as “McMansions” over the next 30 years can be used to create more modestly-sized (e.g., semi-detached) homes rather than just one larger one. This untapped potential is discounted in the present 30-year Land Needs Assessments, even though governments from California and Oregon to New Zealand are already reforming zoning to unleash it.

Second, the large area of unused “Designated Greenfield Area” that was sacrificed to sprawl in previous Municipal Comprehensive Review processes (roughly 4500 acres as of 2019) should be developed at the densities (90-100 people and jobs per hectare) typical of ground-related “residential” neighborhoods in southern Ontario that we know allow most residents to get by largely car-free

Hussam Taha, MD  
Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

**From:** Ian Branston  
**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 10:10 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Stop the Sprawl

Good Morning:

Please do not allow the urban boundaries of Hamilton to be expanded.

The city of Paris, France has an urban density of 20,300 people per square kilometer. The city of Hamilton has a density of 465. Paris is considered one of the most beautiful cities in the world. The density of population is one of the contributing factors to this. It allows for an excellent public transit system, increased use of bicycles and foot traffic. It has developed a culture of shops that people can walk to, to get their everyday needs. Much of the population lives in apartments that are mostly around six stories high. These are a very human scale size. Hamilton can use some of the ideas of Paris to improve our city. By increasing density, more people would use transit. By closing some of Barton street to traffic people would walk to shops, new stores would open and people would move into the area. Developers would have the opportunity to fill in the empty spaces with appropriate size buildings, such as the beautiful 4-6 story high buildings in our old neighborhoods. Increasing density also makes a street safer, by putting more eyes on the street.

Regards

Ian Branston

Underutilised Spaces: A Youth Perspective  
*Opportunities For Community Investment and Reduced Environmental Impact*



Wherever I go in Hamilton, there are empty spaces.







Abandoned buildings, blank lots, places people are trying to rent, places people are trying to demolish.



In these spaces I see potential. I see room to grow.



Room to grow in space that has already been developed, space that isn't prime agricultural land.



Space that is accessible, space that can be made affordable.





I'm scared that my beautiful city will become a ghost town-- an empty shell surrounded by unaffordable suburbs.



I'm scared that all the green space around me will vanish-- if we can't protect our breadbasket, what chance do wetlands and old growth forests have?



Creating more urban sprawl simply doesn't make sense.



Invest in our communities. Protect our environment. Say *no* to urban boundary expansion.

Thank you to those who are already working to support a sustainable future, and thank you to all for taking the time to read this statement.

**From:** Irene Schieberl  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 11:20 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** GIC Meeting November 9tha

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Irene Schieberl, and I am speaking for my partner, Stephen Suggett, as well. We live in Ward 7. When I was growing up, the escarpment, a block away from our home, was my playground, along with the woods at the corner of Upper Wellington and Mohawk Road. Over the years I have seen the vinyards and farms from Mud Street and the QEW eastward disappear, lost forever from much needed agriculture.

We do not have grandchildren, but we do care about the future for your grandchildren in our community, Canada, and the world. New housing on farmland will do nothing for those who cannot afford a million dollar home. Our taxes will go up to pay for the new infrastructure while we cannot now maintain our existing infrastructure.

Many cities, (such as in the U.K.) have firm boundaries on cities. Hamilton is among cities that are the ideal size for livability, around 500,000 population. Who has decided that Hamilton needs to grow to 280,000 population by 2051, and how can you forecast 30 years in the future? Intensification is the best way to increase our tax base to pay for badly needed infrastructure upkeep.

Please consider that the vast majority of residents favour keeping all of our remaining farmland for our future well-being and prosperity.

Respectfully, Irene Schieberl & Stephen Suggett

Irene Schieberl

HAMILTON, Ontario

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**From:** Jacqui Neill  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 10:08 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** "No", to urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

My name is Jacqui Neill, I'm a Master's student and concerned resident of Hamilton living in the Westdale Village. In the last month I've been reading up on the city's two proposals: one for and one against urban sprawl. I am infuriated that in response to the public City's urban boundary survey, which was said to result in the citizens "overwhelmingly oppose expanding the boundary", the developers who have vested interested in allowing the boundary expansion sent out a misleading flyer which didn't even make reference to the third option available in the city's public survey and instead pushed their developer agenda by preying on one of the issues that concern Hamiltonians the most: home affordability. I was one of the people that opted for no urban expansion, which would include a small, yet important part of protected land. I believe there are ways to improve our urban planning to redevelop underused areas or abandoned buildings around the city and to expand into areas that are NOT farmland or areas that are meant to be preserved. We are facing a climate crisis and it's small decisions like "pushing the boundary of the urban belt to allow for home development" that accumulate and will be an issue that my generation and future generations will be forced to deal with. We need sustainable development plans that are not driven by profit mongering companies whose main interest is not in creating jobs or "affordable homes" but in making money for themselves. If the development companies had the interest of the citizens in mind, they would have offered an alternative expansion plan rather than using fear tactics, which is very clear from the use of their language in their flyer and website. Please listen to the people of Hamilton. Vote "no" for urban boundary expansion.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jacqui Neill

Hamilton, Ontario

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From: Jasmine McCall  
Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 6:13 PM  
To: [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
Subject: Vote for Option 2: No Urban Boundary Expansion

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This summer, the City’s approved process showed 90% of residents (16,636 of the total 18,387 who responded) want No Urban Boundary Expansion. The only way for Hamilton Council to respect this decision, or even to keep its future options open, is to formally adopt the No Urban Boundary Expansion Scenario (0 ha) on November 9th.

**From:** Jim Folkes  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 6, 2021 5:27 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** No Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello Government officials,

My name is Jim Folkes a am a young adult in Hamilton. Please listen to the public and vote for the no urban boundry expansion plan. We need to save what farmland we have. With climate change accelerating (Doug Ford's highway to make him and his friends rich should speed that up too) we need to be able to make enough good here to feel our population in case of emergency. To do so we need to save every ounce of farmland we have. If you build homes, no one will ever really be able to afford them anyways. Or they'll be bought by wealthy people and turned into rentals. We need to make the current boundaries of Hamilton more dense in population to save our farmland. Please listen, we need this.

-Jim

Jim Folkes

Hamilton, Ontario



**From:** Jonathan Woof

**Sent:** Sunday, November 7, 2021 12:03 PM

**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)

**Subject:** [\*\*\*\*POSSIBLE SPAM]Please Don't Let Urban Sprawl Happen in Hamilton

Clerk City Clerk,

Hello,

There is currently a debate about urban sprawl in Hamilton.

The proposed farmland to develop is critical to our longterm sustainability and there is a plethora of existing land in the urban core that could be developed instead.

Please keep our farmland in tact and be develop under-utilized land.

Jonathan

Jonathan Woof

Hamilton, Ontario

**From:** Joan MacDonald  
**Sent:** Monday, November 8, 2021 10:41 AM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** NO to urban sprawl

Clerk City Clerk,

I have lived in Downtown Hamilton since 1989 and I'm Hamilton since birth.

I have utilized surrounding farms for most of my food source for health and organic choices.

We do not require more condo type bldgs as there are no safety

Guards for owners from less

Professional Board of Directors and their corporate lawyers who have no restrictions on legal

fees they can charge owners for simple requests as the condo authority has no teeth. The

city's plan should be to use bordered up bldgs

Houses and schools to house our homeless and for senior residences. Please fight urban  
sprawl for all citizens in Hamilton.

Joan MacDonald. Thank you.

Joan MacDonald

Hamilton, Ontario

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Submitted on Sunday, October 10, 2021 - 10:17am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.130.93  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Nancy Hurst

Name of Organization:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: To speak at the GIC meeting on  
Oct 25 2021 re: GRIDS2

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Thursday, October 28, 2021 - 2:32pm Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.126.178  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Dr. Lynda Lukasik

Name of Organization: Environment Hamilton

Contact Number: 905-549-0900

Email Address: [llukasik@environmenthamilton.org](mailto:llukasik@environmenthamilton.org)

Mailing Address:

51 Stuart Street

Hamilton, ON

L8L 1B5

Reason(s) for delegation request: I am requesting the opportunity to speak at the November 9th Special General Issues Committee meeting regarding GRIDS 2/MCR, the Land Needs Assessment, and the 'How Should Hamilton Grow?' evaluation.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 10:22am Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.126.148  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Anne Washington

Name of Organization: Association of Dundas Churches (ADC)

Contact Number: 905 521 0386

Email Address: [anne.washington38@gmail.com](mailto:anne.washington38@gmail.com)

Mailing Address:

32 Uplands Avenue

Hamilton, Ontario

L8S 3X7

Reason(s) for delegation request: To express the opinion of ADC  
on the expansion Hamilton's urban boundary.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 7:35am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.126.215  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Senna Thomas

Name of Organization:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: request to speak at the GIC meeting on Nov 9 on boundary expansion.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 10:31am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.130.113  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Planning Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Paul Lowes

Name of Organization: SGL Planning & Design Inc.

Contact Number: 416-347-7109

Email Address: [plowes@sgiplanning.ca](mailto:plowes@sgiplanning.ca)

Mailing Address:

1547 Bloor Street West

Toronto, ON M6P 1A5

Reason(s) for delegation request: I will discuss my letter of support (which will be provided under separate cover) to the staff's recommendation for the 1340 ha expansion as being consistent with the Provincial Policy.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? N



1547 Bloor Street West  
 Toronto, Ontario M6P 1A5  
 ☎ (416) 923-6630  
 ✉ info@sglplanning.ca

November 8, 2021

Project: FE.HA

**VIA EMAIL**

City of Hamilton  
 General Issues Committee  
 Hamilton City Hall  
 71 Main Street West  
 Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

**Attention: Mayor Eisenberger & Councilors**

**Re: GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review – Urban Growth City-Wide**

We are planners to 1507565 Ontario Limited otherwise known as the Frisina Group, who own approximately 106 acres of land located within the Elfrida Community.

We are supportive of the staff recommendation for the Ambitious Density Scenario. However, no municipality in Ontario has implemented or proposed targets as high as the Ambitious Density Scenario. Although some have proposed a 60% intensification target, none have proposed that in combination with a high greenfield density target. For example:

- York Region Council endorsed a phased 50 to 55% intensification and 60 p&j/ha density in the Designated Greenfield Area;
- Peel Region is proposing a 55% intensification and 65 p&j/ha density in the Designated Greenfield Area;
- Niagara Region Council endorsed a 60% intensification target and 50 p&j/ha density in the Designated Greenfield Area; and
- Waterloo Region is proposing a 60% intensification and 60 p&j/ha density in the Designated Greenfield Area.

Staff note that achieving the high levels of intensification in the Ambitious Density Scenario will be challenging.

However, the Ambitious Density Scenario provides a balance of intensification and greenfield growth. It addresses climate change by creating compact new communities and focusing density along transit corridors. Designing new compact communities based on a 15 minute neighbourhood where residents can get all their daily needs within a 15 minute walk will help to address climate change.



The Ambitious Density Scenario provides for much needed ground related housing which can help address the affordability crisis for families. Although intensification is of critical importance for a complete community, there needs to be a balance of both apartments and ground related housing to cater to all demographics including families.

Apartments on a per square foot basis are more expensive than an equally sized townhouse. Placing a reliance on apartments through the no urban boundary expansion scenario, will result in higher costs for families looking for 3 bedroom accommodation or will push young families to other areas further from the City which will increase reliance on the automobile for commuting and exacerbate climate change.

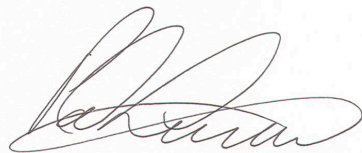
Although we are in support of the staff recommendations, we are concerned with staff recommendation (f) where staff recommend preparing a draft Official Plan Amendment only to 2031. The 2031 forecast was to be implemented through the 2006 Growth Plan. That was 15 years ago. The lack of designating lands to 2031 is the subject of a current Ontario Land Tribunal Appeal of the UHOP. Designating only to 2031 provides only for 9 year housing supply which in our opinion is not consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement which requires a 15 year land supply of residential designated lands. Nor does it conform to the Growth Plan which requires the municipality to identify a settlement boundary expansion in its official plan which contains sufficient opportunities to accommodate forecasted growth to the horizon of the Growth Plan. That horizon is 2051.

As well, the City has already spent considerable amount of money on secondary plan studies and infrastructure within the areas being studied for settlement expansion and in excess of the lands needed only to 2031.

For these reasons, we urge you to support the well-researched and carefully considered advice of your professional planning staff and adopt the Ambitious Density Scenario but revise recommendation (f) to prepare an Official Plan Amendment that implements an urban boundary expansion to 2051.

Yours very truly,

**SGL PLANNING & DESIGN INC.**



Paul Lowes, MES, MCIP, RPP

c.c. David Sunday, Gowling WLG  
Jonathan Minnes, Gowling WLG  
Frisina Group

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 11:13am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.114.160  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

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Name of Organization:

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Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: Urban Boundary Expansion

remarks - I have sent a pre-recorded Zoom video

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 11:32am Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.74.203  
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==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

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Reason(s) for delegation request:

GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review – Urban Growth  
City-Wide Consultation Summary Report (PED17010(m)) (City  
Wide)This item has attachments.

Note: This report and its title have been revised from the  
original version published in the October 25, 2021 GIC agenda.

8.2

GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review – Final Land Needs  
Assessment and Addendum and Peer Review Results (PED17010(n))  
(City Wide)This item has attachments.

8.3

GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review – “How Should  
Hamilton Grow? Evaluation” (PED17010(o)) (City Wide)

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes



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**Attn: Clerk, Mayor, and Councillors**

**Re: November 9th General Issues Committee; Items 8.1, 8.2., 8.3**

**I am writing in relation to the City of Hamilton Land Needs Assessment conducted as part of the Municipal Comprehensive Review for the period to 2051.** I recommend and encourage the City of Hamilton to prepare a Community Land Need scenario for 0-ha of urban growth expansion. I recommend that the [Residential Zones Project](#) currently being conducted by the City, be used to ensure this goal is accomplished while still conforming to the Land Needs Assessment Methodology for the Greater Golden Horseshoe.

I recommend a settlement area boundary expansion of 0 ha, because *with purposeful zoning reform*, the same number of ground-related units can be created under the recommended 0-ha Urban Boundary Expansion option as under the “50%/60%/70%” (“Ambitious Density”) option. The 0-ha option can be achieved because the number of new ground-related homes, and particularly conventional single- and semi-detached homes, that would be created through splitting of typical residential lots, and modest ‘missing middle’ developments in Hamilton’s ‘Yellow Belt’ neighbourhoods, would together with additional units that can be created through more efficient use of the existing Designated Greenfield Area, equal or exceed the 30,400 expected to be accommodated through Settlement Area Boundary Expansion under the “50%/60%/70%” (“Ambitions Density”) option.

This opinion is based on my review of the Land Needs Assessment analyses and supporting technical documents to date, the existing supply of land within Hamilton’s Built Up Areas, the More Homes More Choice Act - 2019, the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, the Provincial Policy Statement, the Planning Act, and public interest as identified by Hamilton residents. This Summer, 2021, the City of Hamilton conducted a [survey on Urban Growth](#). The overwhelming majority (90.4%) of Hamilton’s residents who participated in the municipality’s call for 0 ha of urban expansion.

### **Development Patterns in Hamilton’s “Yellow Belt”**

‘Yellow Belt’ is a term that refers to neighbourhoods zoned and regulated, either directly or indirectly (e.g. through restrictive design standards), to limit the available housing type to be exclusively or predominantly single family detached housing. Hamilton’s ‘Yellow Belt’ zones and regulations do so by making it infeasible to increase ground related housing supply or make costs required to increase housing so high that the option is often avoided entirely. Restrictive regulations are preventing the increase of housing through lot splits to create an additional single detached house on a lot, to convert a single detached house into a semi detached house, or to develop townhouses, or “missing middle” options (such as walk-up apartments).

Hamilton’s ‘Yellow Belt’ comprises a majority of the City’s residential land area. In my opinion, in the absence of zoning changes calculated to enable and incentivize lot splitting and the replacement of single detached houses with denser ground related houses, such as semi-detached houses, large volumes of modestly sized bungalows, will be turned over into very high square-footage single family “mcmansions” within the next 30 years. Appendix - A includes a map identifying neighbourhoods with capacity to increase housing supply rather than restrict development to modest to “mcmansion” conversions. Appendix - B includes a few examples of the concerning modest to “mcmansion” development pattern in action.

### **Impact of the ‘Yellow Belt’ on Land Needs Assessment**

It is my opinion that the existing supply of ‘Yellow Belt’ lots within Built Up Areas of the City of Hamilton and existing Designated Greenfield Areas can sufficiently accommodate demand for ground related housing, thus permitting a 0-ha urban expansion. This can be achieved with a shift to enable more land-efficient low rise housing ground related housing forms (splitting lots to create two single detached or a semi-detached, the development of lane/garden suites, townhouses, or walk-up apartments). Through modest changes to the Zoning Bylaw, the City of Hamilton can enable families to have access to ground related housing in existing neighbourhoods. This will improve neighbourhood walkability and improve the City’s ability to provide community services. This is a more desirable and equitable future than continuing

towards the path of restricting housing supply by favouring the conversion of modest single detached houses into larger “mcmansions,”

The Land Need Assessment analyses conducted to date by and for the City of Hamilton vastly overestimate the need for greenfield land because they exclude the vast majority of land and opportunity available to increase supply. Report [PED17010\(h\) - Appendix - D](#) states the Land Needs Assessment assumptions that in “Yellow Belt” neighbourhoods intensification will happen only on (1) vacant lots, and larger sites with severance potential, (2), larger lots where severance is not anticipated, (3) commercial plazas, vacant/brownfield sites, and school closure sites, and (4) properties that together will result in 2,700 secondary dwelling units.

Further, assumptions of the current Land Needs Assessment are that existing ‘Yellow Belt’ restrictions will be maintained over the next 30 years, despite increasing public and industry awareness of the need to end this discriminatory land use practice, and the City’s currently underway Residential Zones Project.

Increasing housing supply in exclusively and predominantly single-family house neighbourhoods is key to increasing housing affordability, enabling environmental sustainability, improving municipal service delivery, and decreasing systemic housing discrimination against immigrants, BIPOC, young people, and women. This is noted in various articles, as well as by various writers in the book [House Divided: How the Missing Middle Will Solve Toronto’s Affordability Crisis](#).

The City’s ongoing Residential Zones project is established to conduct a comprehensive review of zoning bylaws including those in ‘Yellow Belt’ neighbourhoods. Even without an explicit mandate to prevent housing shortfalls, the initial portion of Phase 1 of the SDU portion of the project resulted in modest increases to the permitted supply of ground related housing in the City’s Built Up Area. I recommend that further phases of the low-density stage and the entire remainder of the Residential Zones Project be harnessed to produce the zoning changes required to reliably increase ground related housing supply (single- and semi-detached homes, lane/garden suites, townhouses, and missing middle walk up apartments) as is required to satisfy ground related housing supply demand projections in the Land Needs Assessment Methodology. This will result in a 0-ha settlement boundary expansion.

It is my opinion that the City of Hamilton needs a Land Needs Assessment that accounts for the implementation of zoning changes that curb the redevelopment of homes into “McMansions” by instead promoting these homes to increase the number of units provided on the lot. This Assessment, paired with Residential Zones Project studies, should be conducted with strong consideration to environmental protection and human rights to housing. Regarding human rights, this includes the consideration of how marginalized populations (lower income households, immigrants, BIPOC, women, youth) are impacted by decisions on the permitted increase of housing supply in existing ‘Yellow Belt’ lots and neighbourhoods.

Yours truly,

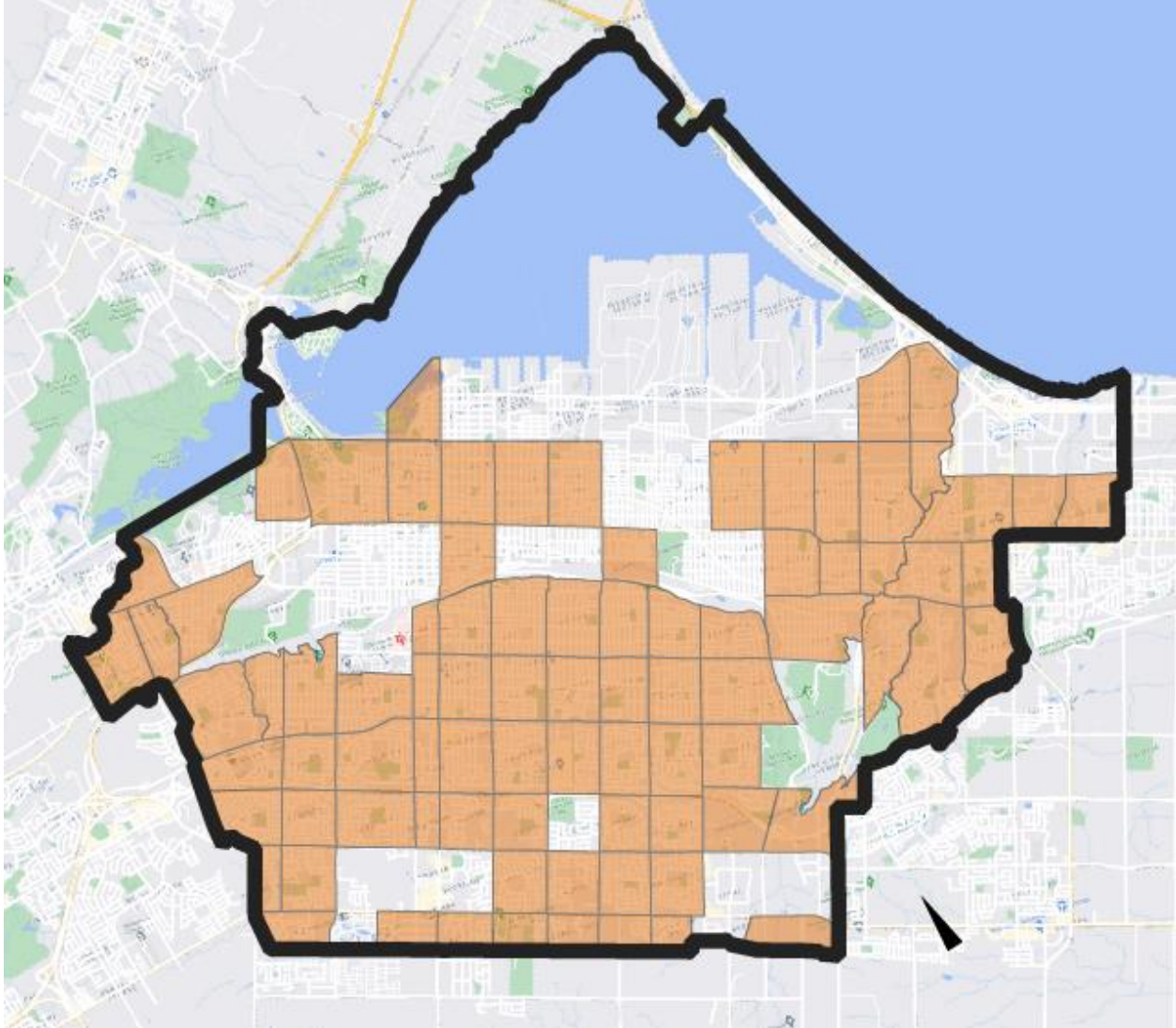


CP Planning  
Cheryl Case, BURPL  
Founder, Principal Urban Planner



## Appendix - A

City of Hamilton neighbourhoods where single family lots have the potential to accommodate the demand for ground related housing. Neighbourhoods identified below have varying levels of capacity to contribute to accommodating this demand.



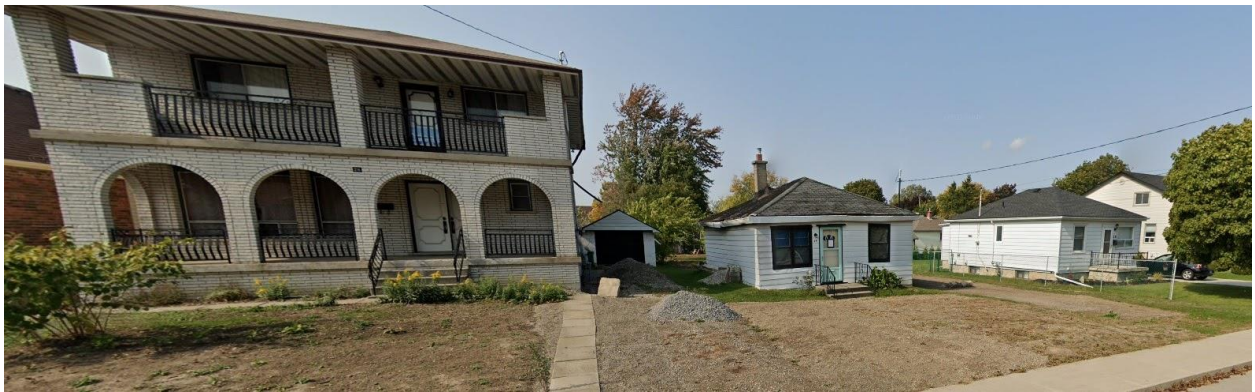
Not illustrated are neighbourhoods in the Town of Ancaster, Town of Dundas, Town of Flamborough, Township of Glanbrook, or City of Stoney Creek that also have capacity.

## Appendix - B

Examples of Hamilton streets where single- detached homes have been or are likely to be replaced with much larger single-detached homes under current zoning, and which have potential, with rezoning for more modest, land-efficient ground related housing.



Deschene Avenue, Greenington, Hamilton



Dana Drive, Balfour, Hamilton



Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 11:35am Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.74.132  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Planning Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Mark Forler

Name of Organization:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: Expansion concern

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

**From:** Mark Forler  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 7:13 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Boundary expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

In an era of increased threat from climate change it would be extremely short sighted to allow further urban expansion. Effects of this decision will be felt very long term. We should be leaders in the field of preventing climate change, not causing further environmental erosion.

As well, in a time of growing world hunger it is unconscionable to be paving over food producing farm land. We are lucky enough to live in an area blessed with some of the best farmland in Ontario, in Canada, and on the planet itself. This should never to be taken for granted. This is an amazing resource that should be treasured and protected at all costs. This land is the birthright of future generations -ours to protect.

I am asking you to respect the clear wish of the people of Hamilton and reject any option allowing for expansion to the Hamilton urban boundary.

Thankyou.

Mark Forler

Dundas

Mark Forler

Dundas, Ontario

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 3:38pm Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.126.179  
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==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

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Reason(s) for delegation request: We have been working with a coalition of the housing industry to elevate the voices of Hamilton residents who are interested in the urban boundary discussion and we want to share a summary of data that has been collected and some real stories from Hamilton residents who care deeply about this issue.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 3:50pm Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.127.11  
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==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

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Reason(s) for delegation request: support staff recommendation  
for Ambitious density plan

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 9:33pm Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.130.93  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

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Name of Organization: Helping Hands Street Mission

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Reason(s) for delegation request: I would like to speak to the Committee regarding the Urban Boundary Expansion issue on behalf of Helping Hands Street Mission as we work with people who are unhoused as well as unsafely and insufficiently housed in Hamilton.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

**From:** Alice Plug-Buist <[Alice@hsmhamilton.com](mailto:Alice@hsmhamilton.com)>

**Sent:** November 7, 2021 7:10 PM

**To:** GRIDS 2 and MCR <[grid2mcr@hamilton.ca](mailto:grid2mcr@hamilton.ca)>

**Cc:** Travis, Heather <[Heather.Travis@hamilton.ca](mailto:Heather.Travis@hamilton.ca)>; Robichaud, Steve <[Steve.Robichaud@hamilton.ca](mailto:Steve.Robichaud@hamilton.ca)>; Thorne, Jason <[Jason.Thorne@hamilton.ca](mailto:Jason.Thorne@hamilton.ca)>; Nann, Nrinder <[Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca](mailto:Nrinder.Nann@hamilton.ca)>; Office of Ward 3 City Councillor Nrinder Nann <[ward3@hamilton.ca](mailto:ward3@hamilton.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: GRIDS 2 / MCR - Upcoming GIC Reports - Nov. 9, 2021

Dear Ms. Travis, Mr. Robichaud and Mr. Thorne (copying Councillor Nann as councillor of Ward 3 where Helping Hands Street Mission is located),

I have taken a look at the agenda for the GIC meeting on Tuesday and understand that the response for delegation has been overwhelming. I have requested to speak to the committee regarding the urban expansion question as well, in my role as Executive Director of Helping Hands Street Mission, and as friend of many people who are unhoused as well as unsafely and insufficiently housed in the City of Hamilton. I am aware that the committee will still have to approve those who will speak, and that the likelihood that I will be able to have a moment to speak on behalf of our community members is slim to none.

I would like to remind everyone of the people who are currently living in deplorable situations in our city, as well as people who have in the last days been evicted from the only place they had to call home, which at that time were tents pitched out mostly of the way and in spaces and corners that overall are unused. These people are constituents of Hamilton as well, and are in fact among the most vulnerable – people who we should be respecting and caring for in the best way we know possible. Through our work at Helping Hands Street Mission, I also personally know many people who do have a home, but whose home is in no way safe or matching the choices and dignity they deserve. These people have no option to move or even to ask their landlords to improve their situations, because, though perhaps the legal system may look to be on their side, their access to these rights are made impossible due to a huge variety of barriers.

I care deeply about the environment, and am not a fan of “sprawl”. But we are in a space of crisis, and people need homes and they have a right to choose what kind of housing they would like, just like the rest of Hamilton’s constituents. Please do not let the marginalized people of Hamilton be sidelined once again as you look to a “flourishing” future for Hamilton. Yes, we need to use the land within the boundaries of Hamilton to its fullest capacity, but in order to provide options for housing for ALL people, we need to also allow for an expansion of the city’s boundaries. I urge you as you plan for this expansion to definitely do this in a way that is strategic, including new neighbourhoods that have easy access to public transportation and social services, but please ensure that each person will have the opportunity to quickly have a home that they and their families can feel safe in.

If there is opportunity for me to speak, at the GIC meeting or elsewhere, please afford me that opportunity on behalf of the community at Helping Hands Street Mission. This is a matter of life and death, and we need to listen to the voices of those whose lives are most at stake.

I am looking forward to hearing back from you.

Alice Plug-Buist

*Executive Director*

Helping Hands Street Mission

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Submitted on Monday, October 25, 2021 - 12:55pm Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.127.11  
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==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

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Reason(s) for delegation request: To speak in support of urban boundary expansion. I would request that I be able to speak immediately following Paul Szachlewicz of the Chamber of Commerce.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes

**Hamilton Chamber of Commerce  
Presentation to General Issues Committee**

**Tuesday November 9**

Good morning, members of the Committee, staff and members of the public who are attending.

My name is Ed Fothergill. While I normally attend presentations to committees as a planning consultant, I am appearing today on a volunteer basis on behalf of the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce. I have been a member of the Chamber for over 30 years and have had the privilege of serving on the Chamber Board for a number of years and act as President of the Chamber in 2003.

Currently I am a member of the Policy Advisory Council at the Chamber and am the Chamber representative at the City of Hamilton Development Industry Liaison Group as well as the Open for Business Sub-Committee.

During my tenure on the Chamber Board and as Chamber President, one of the messages that the Chamber delivered at that time was that Hamilton was poised to experience great things with anticipated growth slowly moving westward through the GTA, and secondly that Hamilton should prepare to accommodate and embrace these new opportunities.

As we have seen, we have experienced some great success over the last 18 years, including now being able to witness a resurgence downtown, redevelopment at the waterfront, the development of the Airport Business Park, and more recently, a commitment to LRT.

As part of this strategy, the Chamber position on long term planning has been clear and consistent, that we should engage in a long term planning exercise and not be



expanding the Urban Boundary on an incremental basis as has been done in the past. We now have the opportunity to put in place a development plan which practically recognizes these opportunities and provides a long term predictable solution as to how and where to accommodate growth.

This decision is being made within the context of clear policy direction from the Province through the Provincial Policy Statement, the Growth Plan, and the Greenbelt Plan in terms of amount and direction of accommodating new growth that we know is going to happen.

The Greenbelt Plan sets out a very clear delineation of where growth should occur and where it should not. The Chamber supports the Greenbelt Plan which is designed to set a limit for and define urban communities. Within this plan, there are very few opportunities in the western GTA to accommodate new growth. Hamilton is one of those opportunities.

Endeavouring to restrict growth to the existing urban limits has serious unintended consequences for issues such as preservation of farmland, housing affordability, transit and environmental sustainability. Without providing opportunities and choices for growth between the existing Urban Boundary and the Greenbelt, growth will simply leapfrog the Greenbelt and spill over to surrounding communities, taking up more farmland and increasing external commuting, which is less environmentally sustainable than promoting compact urban growth within the limits set by the Greenbelt.

This trend has been identified in the technical reports before you and can be seen is already begun with new development in surrounding communities such as Caledonia, Brantford and Paris. By not having appropriate choices for development inside the Greenbelt, the effectiveness of the Greenbelt is diminished by contributing to urban sprawl in more remote locations.

At the Chamber we support the staff position. It respects the integrity of the Provincial planning regime and respects the integrity and purpose of the Greenbelt Plan to focus urban development in a compact form which is transit supportive, contributes to housing affordability, advances the protection of agricultural lands and has less environmental impact than development outside of the Greenbelt.

This indeed is a complex issue. To simply the decision we can simply boil it down to should we accommodate development inside the Greenbelt or should we adopt policies that contribute accommodating future growth outside of the Greenbelt.

The Chamber believes staff have the right answer and we would encourage Committee to adopt the staff recommendations.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ed Fothergill, Past President  
Hamilton Chamber of Commerce

Submitted on Saturday, November 6, 2021 - 10:44pm Submitted by anonymous user: 172.69.216.142  
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==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

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Reason(s) for delegation request: As a Planning Consultant to speak on behalf of a landowner/client with regards to report PED17010(o) on November 9, 2021

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Sunday, November 7, 2021 - 1:17pm Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.126.54  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Veronica Gonzalez

Name of Organization: ACORN

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: To speak at Tuesday November  
9th General Issues Committee to speak on expanding the city's  
urban boundary.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Sunday, November 7, 2021 - 7:52pm Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.126.214  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

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Reason(s) for delegation request: Address the GIC regarding GRIDS  
2 and the MCR, staff report PED17010(o), agenda item no. 8.3

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No



# Gatzios Planning + Development Consultants Inc.

File No: 62HA-0721

November 8, 2021

**City of Hamilton**  
77 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8P 4Y5

**Attention: Members of the City of Hamilton General Issues Committee**

**Re: Input on behalf of the Twenty Road East Landowners' Group  
GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review  
November 9, 2021 General Issues Committee  
Item 8.2: Report PED17010(n) re FINAL LAND NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND ADDENDUM  
PEER REVIEW RESULTS  
and  
Item 8.3: Report PED17010(o) re "HOW SHOULD HAMILTON GROW? EVALUATION"**

Dear Madams and Sirs:

I am writing on behalf of my client the Twenty Road East Landowners' Group (the "**TRE Group**") to provide comments on the above-noted two Reports. The TRE Group has been actively involved in the Urban and Rural Hamilton Official Plan matters since GRIDS 1 and appreciates this opportunity to provide further input to the City of Hamilton (the "**City**") on these matters.

## **1. THE NEED FOR AN URBAN BOUNDARY EXPANSION – THE AMBITIOUS SCENARIO AT A MINIMUM**

Pursuant to A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (the "**Growth Plan**"), the Province has determined that the City's residential growth forecast is an ultimate 820,000 people to 2051, which equates to a required increase of 110,000 housing units to 2051.

Accordingly, under this Municipal Comprehensive Review ("**MCR**") mandated by the Growth Plan, the Province requires that the City: accommodate forecasted growth to 2051; plan to achieve the minimum intensification and density targets; consider the range and mix of housing options and densities of existing housing stock; and plan to diversify its overall housing stock across the City. Finally, as you know, the City must plan for accommodating its growth using an "Intensification first" approach.

In our opinion, shared by City staff, the potential **No Urban Boundary Expansion** scenario does not conform with Provincial policy, does not accommodate all housing market segments, does not avoid housing shortages, and does not consider market

demand – all very significant matters which the City must appropriately address in this MCR and which are vital to appropriately address for the City's future.

We urge Council to adopt a scenario which appropriately addresses these growth management matters, and which in our opinion includes an urban boundary expansion in conjunction with increased intensification targets. We believe that Council should, at minimum, adopt the staff recommended **Ambitious Density** scenario, as opposed to the **No Urban Boundary Expansion**, and quote staff as follows:

- “1. The Ambitious Density scenario represents an aggressive and forward thinking approach to growth management;*
- 2. The Ambitious Density scenario represents an achievable, albeit challenging, growth management objective; and,*
- 3. The Ambitious Density scenario conforms to the Provincial Growth Plan and the Provincial Land Needs Assessment Methodology.”*

We agree with City staff that the **Ambitious Density** scenario is an aggressive approach to growth management with a very significant amount of intensification which in and of itself will be challenging to achieve. We believe that the amount and type of intensification associated with the **No Urban Boundary Expansion** scenario is not achievable, is not in the public interest, and will be next to impossible to achieve without significant negative impact and consequences to the future of the City.

## **2. MCR OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT**

We believe that City staff's approach to phasing the designation of lands as urban between now and 2051 is not appropriate and it does not conform to Provincial policy. Specifically, City staff suggest that land needs beyond 2041 not be designated as urban at this time as not all the land will be required immediately.

However, the Growth Plan requires that all the land resulting from this Land Needs Assessment and associated MCR must be brought into the City's urban boundary through this MCR Official Plan Amendment.

Quoting from the Province's Land Needs Assessment Methodology for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (2020), which must be followed as directed by Growth Plan policies 2.2.8.2 and 2.2.1.5, with **emphasis added**:

*“Given the complexity of completing the municipal comprehensive review, **municipalities must designate all land required to the Plan horizon** when using the Methodology through an official plan or official plan amendment. The objective is to provide sufficient land to accommodate all market segments so*

*as to avoid shortages that would drive up land cost for both housing and employment uses."*

It is our opinion that the City must bring all lands appropriately required to 2051 into the urban boundary at this time in this MCR Official Plan Amendment, with phasing policies applicable as appropriate once they are included in the urban boundary. Many other municipalities in the Greater Golden Horseshoe have successfully implemented phasing policies which guide development of lands once they have been added to the urban boundary.

We urge City Council to follow Provincial policy and delete staff recommendation (c) and also modify recommendation (f) of Report PED17010(o), as follows:

*"(f) That Council direct staff to prepare a draft Official Plan Amendment as part of the MCR that implements an ~~interim~~ urban boundary expansion to 2051 and that includes policies to ensure that **development of newly urbanized lands is any future urban boundary expansions** are controlled and phased, including consideration of options for identifying growth needs beyond 2031 without formally designating the land as urban at this time and that staff be directed and authorized to schedule a public meeting of the Planning Committee to consider an Official Plan Amendment, to give effect to the MCR."*

In conclusion, we urge the City to plan for growth in a manner which provides for a full market-based range of housing types and choice, and which meets Provincial policy, while maintaining an Intensification first approach – which the **Ambitious Density** scenario does. We do not believe that the City should pursue a growth scenario which places all the burden for accommodating growth upon existing built neighbourhoods and existing urban areas, as this will negatively affect the housing choice and housing affordability of the City for years to come.

We thank the City for the opportunity to provide our comments on these Reports.

Sincerely,

Gatzios Planning + Development Consultants Inc.



Maria Gatzios, MCIP RPP

Copy to: Ms. Heather Travis, Senior Project Manager  
Mr. Steve Robichaud, Director, Planning and Chief Planner



Submitted on Monday, November 8, 2021 - 7:12am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.69.216.137  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: David Falletta

Name of Organization: Bousfields Inc.

Contact Number: 416-947-9744 ext 401

Email Address: [dfalletta@bousfields.ca](mailto:dfalletta@bousfields.ca)

Mailing Address:

1 Main Street East, Suite 200

Hamilton

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Reason(s) for delegation request: Speaking on behalf of clients

re: staff recommendation on GRIDS2

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No



Project No.: 20135

November 7, 2021

**VIA E-MAIL**

Stephanie Paparella  
Legislative Coordinator  
General Issues Committee  
City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

Dear Mrs. Paparella,

**Re: GRIDS2/MCR – How Should Hamilton Grow? Evaluation (PED17010(o))  
Agenda Item 8.3 – November 9<sup>th</sup> GIC Committee**

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We are writing on behalf of a group of landowners in the Elfrida area of the City of Hamilton (listed in Schedule “A” to this letter) in response to the GRIDS 2 and Municipal Comprehensive Review – “How Should Hamilton Grow? Evaluation” (PED17010(o)) (City Wide) staff report dated November 9, 2021, which includes Planning Staff’s recommendation that Council adopt the “Ambitious Density” scenario.

We are supportive of Planning Staff’s overall recommendation to adopt the “Ambitious Density” scenario, which would require 1,310 ha of land to be added to the urban boundary to accommodate growth to 2051, and promotes a responsible and necessary urban boundary expansion, while also aggressively promoting intensification within the City’s built-up areas.

It is our opinion, however, that recommendation (f) of Planning Staff’s Report to only implement an interim urban boundary expansion to accommodate growth to 2031, instead of to 2051, does not conform to the policies of the Growth Plan and the Provincial Policy Statement. The City of Hamilton is required to bring in all land into its urban boundary required to meet growth needs to 2051 now, as part of its ongoing MCR process. More specifically, the Growth Plan provides that a *settlement area* boundary expansion may only occur through a *municipal comprehensive review* where it is demonstrated that the proposed expansion will make available sufficient lands not exceeding the horizon of the Growth Plan to 2051.

Furthermore, the Province's Land Needs Assessment Methodology requires municipalities to "plan for and designate a sufficient supply of land to accommodate an appropriate range and mix of land uses to meet projected needs to the Plan horizon." It goes on to provide that "municipalities must designate all land required to the Plan horizon [2051]... through an official plan or official plan amendment."

The Provincial Planning Statement, 2020, also requires that municipalities maintain at all times lands which are designated and available for residential development to accommodate growth for a minimum of 15 years. By not including all lands needed to support the projected population growth to 2051, Staff's recommendation to provide an interim urban boundary expansion to 2031 does not meet the policies of the Growth Plan and PPS and does not comply with the Province's Land Needs Assessment Methodology.

Bringing all lands into the urban boundary to meet growth needs to 2051 does not mean growth will not be accommodated in a phased, orderly and controlled manner. Growth will be managed through the processing of secondary plans and draft plan of subdivision applications, and the policy framework set out in the City's Urban Hamilton Official Plan. This approach is consistent with many other southern Ontario municipalities including the Cities of Brantford, Markham, Vaughan, Simcoe County, and more.

### **Summary**

As noted above, we are in support of your staff's overall recommendations and advice which calls for responsible and necessary urban boundary expansions, through the Ambitious Density Scenario. Staff's recommendation for the Ambitious Density Scenario is the culmination of many years of work supported by professionals (both City staff and outside consultants) carefully considering the best way for Hamilton to grow.

To ensure conformity with the Growth Plan and consistency with the PPS, however, we recommend expanding the urban boundary to accommodate 1,310 gross developable ha, in accordance with the findings of the Land Needs Assessment Addendum prepared by Lorus & Associates (November 2021), which is the land need determined under the "Ambitious Density Scenario" to 2051. Once located within the urban boundary, these lands will still be developed in a phased, orderly and controlled manner.

For the foregoing reasons, we respectfully request that the General Issues Committee modify recommendation (f) of report PED17010(o) as follows:

*(f) That Council direct staff to prepare a draft Official Plan Amendment as part of the MCR that implements an ~~interim~~ urban boundary expansion to 2051 and that includes policies to ensure that ~~any future urban boundary expansions~~ **the development of lands added to the urban boundary to accommodate growth to 2051 is** are controlled and phased, ~~including consideration of options for identifying growth needs beyond 2031 without formally designating the land as urban at this time~~ and that staff be directed and authorized to schedule a public meeting of the Planning Committee to consider an Official Plan Amendment, to give effect to the MCR.*

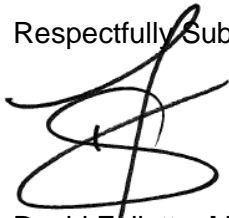
In addition, we respectfully request that the General Issues Committee delete recommendation (c) of report PED17010(o) in its entirety, as follows:

*~~(c) That for the purposes of managing growth, the following phasing of land need be endorsed for planning purposes to 2051:~~*

- ~~(i) For the period from 2021 to 2031, a land need of 305 ha;~~*
- ~~(ii) For the period from 2031 to 2041, a land need of 570 ha;~~*
- ~~(iii) For the period from 2041 to 2051, a land need of 435 ha;~~*

Should you require any additional information or clarification, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully Submitted,



David Falletta, MCIP, RPP

AP/df

Cc Client  
Goodmans LLP

**SCHEDULE A**

Multi-Area Developments Inc.

Mud & First Inc.

Marz Homes Brofrida Inc.

Marz Homes (Elfrida) Inc.

Paletta International Corporation

1356715 Ontario Inc.

2188410 Ontario Inc.

2084696 Ontario Inc.

Submitted on Monday, November 8, 2021 - 9:08am

Submitted by user: Anonymous

Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Aldo De Santis

Name of Organization: Multi-Area Developments Inc.

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: I would like to speak at the November 9, 2021, General Issues Committee meeting to voice my support of the City of Hamilton's planning staff's Ambitious Density Scenario.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Monday, November 8, 2021 - 9:54am Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.74.126  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Craig Burley

Name of Organization:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: I wish to speak to the issue of  
the Urban Boundary Expansion at GIC on Nov 9th

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Monday, November 8, 2021 - 9:58am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.34.183  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Natalie Lazier

Name of Organization:

Contact Number

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request:

Urban Boundary Expansion. Request for Written delegation. Please email to accept this written delegation.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No



Submitted on Monday, November 8, 2021 - 10:31am Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.126.149  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: B. Spence

Name of Organization:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: to give input into upcoming City decision for Urban Boundary Expansion. Having recently reviewed the "map" that was produced to indicate all the available urban space available for development just in the downtown core, I would like to submit my opinion that these lands should first be developed. Developers for wide spread urban sprawl should be required at the same time to develop the same sq. footage of urban space as brownfield space as part of the City approval for devaelopment..

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Monday, November 8, 2021 - 12:00pm Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.34.63  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Nancy Cooper

Name of Organization:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: Nov 9 the register my  
opposition to Urban Sprawl

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes

Submitted on Thursday, November 4, 2021 - 6:01pm Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.38.108  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Corey long

Name of Organization:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request:

I would like this video played at the nov 9 meeting to express  
my opinion .

no urban boundary expansion

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Thursday, November 4, 2021 - 10:12am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.38.136  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Marnie

Name of Organization: Schurter

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: Prerecorded video for the committee meeting Monday, November 8th on Hamilton's 2022 City Budget.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 11:30am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.127.11  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Mary Love

Name of Organization: speaking as an individual community member

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: I want to show a short video I made in favour of a fixed urban boundary at the November 9th GIC meeting. I will submit it in a few minutes to the clerk's office.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

**From:** Patricia Baker  
**Sent:** November 4, 2021 9:00 PM  
**To:** [clerk@hamilton.ca](mailto:clerk@hamilton.ca)  
**Subject:** Proposed Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Patricia Baker and I live in Ward 2, Hamilton.

I am extremely concerned that in this critical time of climate change the Provincial Government is forcing municipal governments to exacerbate the situation by expanding municipal boundaries. We should be looking at ways to improve the problem caused by emissions and transport is a major one. Urban expansion means more vehicles in use causing more emissions.

We require farmland and some of the best in Ontario is the 3,000 acres that Hamilton is being asked to expand onto. That is a travesty. There is no need for such expansion, there is sufficient land within the current city limits to accommodate the anticipated population growth. We should be looking at accommodation of all types, low-rise medium density units, high rises, townhouses and individual properties. Stop having vast parking lots for shopping malls - put accommodation over these.

The costs of expansion for Hamilton will only increase the current \$3.8 billion deficit. Who will pick those up?

Please - for the sake of future generations, no expansion! We can do far better than that.

Patricia Baker

Patricia Baker

Hamilton, Ontario

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 10:38am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.69.216.136  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Peter Ormond

Name of Organization: ECO5 Inc.

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request:

I will submit a video by e-mail to the city clerk. The short video is to be shown at the Nov 9th Meeting of the City of Hamilton's General Issues Committee regarding the Urban Boundary Expansion.

Thank-you!

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes

Submitted on Thursday, November 4, 2021 - 8:13am Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.75.153  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Summer Thomas

Name of Organization:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: Hello I will be submitting a pre-recorded video delegation to the clerk Thursday evening. Please add it to the agenda to be shown at the Nov 9 GRIDS2 GIC meeting. Thank you

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes



Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 9:58am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.38.136  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Matthew LaRose

Name of Organization:

Contact Number: 6473914258

Email Address: [larosmj@gmail.com](mailto:larosmj@gmail.com)

Mailing Address: 41 Tisdale St N, Hamilton, ON, L8L 5M3

Reason(s) for delegation request:

To speak to the boundary expansion item at the November 9, 2021  
General Issues Committee.

I have emailed a pre-recorded video to the Clerk as my  
delegation. The sender email was [larosmj@gmail.com](mailto:larosmj@gmail.com).

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 11:43am Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.74.193

Submitted values are:

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- > ==Committee Requested==
- > Committee: General Issues Committee
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- > ==Requestor Information==
- > Name of Individual: Diana
- > Name of Organization:
- > Contact Number:
- > Email Address:
- > Mailing Address:
- > Reason(s) for delegation request: I'm emailing an audio/video
- > file to be played at the Nov 9 GIC committte meeting on the
- > boundary expansion
- > Will you be requesting funds from the City? No
- > Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes
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Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 4:29pm Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.130.112  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Ashley Feldman

Name of Organization:

Contact Number: 6472006260

Email Address: [ashley.feldman4@gmail.com](mailto:ashley.feldman4@gmail.com)

Mailing Address: 49 Longwood Rd N

Reason(s) for delegation request:

I have submitted a pre-recorded delegation video for the November 9th GIC Vote on Hamilton's Urban Boundary.

I would like to have it attached to the agenda and played at the meeting. If for some reason this does not work or is not possible, I would like to be informed so I may delegate live on the 9th.

Thank you very much for your help.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 11:42am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.130.74  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Becky Katz

Name of Organization:

Contact Number: 9055777811

Email Address: [beckyshainikatz@gmail.com](mailto:beckyshainikatz@gmail.com)

Mailing Address: 278 1/2 James Street North

Reason(s) for delegation request: To address council asking them  
to vote NO to Urban Boundary Expansion

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 11:52am Submitted by anonymous user: 162.158.126.149  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Dr. Meghan Davis

Name of Organization:

Contact Number: 9055472303

Email Address: [davismeghan1@gmail.com](mailto:davismeghan1@gmail.com)

Mailing Address:

67 kenilworth Avenue North

Hamilton Ont

L8H 4R6

Reason(s) for delegation request: Please see the MP4 video I sent  
to the clerk via email

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 11:39am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.178.163  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Michelle Tom

Name of Organization:

Contact Number: 2508094800

Email Address: [michtom20@gmail.com](mailto:michtom20@gmail.com)

Mailing Address: 163 Duke St

Reason(s) for delegation request:

To speak about Urban Boundary.

I will be sending a pre-recorded delegation.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Submitted on Friday, November 5, 2021 - 11:55am Submitted by anonymous user: 172.70.130.92  
Submitted values are:

==Committee Requested==

Committee: General Issues Committee

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Roberto Henriquez

Name of Organization:

Contact Number:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Reason(s) for delegation request: I have submitted a prerecorded delegation to the Clerk and would like it to be shown at the November 9, 2021 GIC meeting Re. Boundary Expansion.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No