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Hamilton City Council
c/o Rose Caterini, City Clerk
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RE: REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION OF DEVELOPEMENT FEES FOR 22 & 24 EMERALD ST. SOUTH (Ward 3)

The St. Leonard's Society of Hamilton (SLSH) is a not for profit corporation that began operating in Hamilton as The Astra Society of Hamilton and District (Astra Society) in 1972. The Astra Society is a charitable organization that owns 22 & 24 Emerald St. South. This property has operated continuously as a transitional program for people who are leaving prison and transitioning back to the Hamilton community. The current zoning for these properties is for 36 residents and this renovation will not increase this use.

The properties at 22 & 24 Emerald St. South were originally two homes built in the early nineteen hundreds that are now joined together by a common entrance and reception area. The property, as it currently exists, is very dated and is only partially accessible via a ramp. The property is in dire need of major upgrades to make it compliant with modern building standards and to be fully accessible. The property is poorly insulated, with dated plumbing, electrical and HVAC systems that are not energy efficient or comfortable.

The estimated cost of this major renovation is \$3,000,000. The renovation will make the building fully accessible via an elevator. The building walls and ceilings will be insulated. New windows will be installed. Hallways and washrooms doors will be widened for wheelchair access. New electrical, plumbing and HVAC will be installed. The cost of this renovation will be funded entirely by the Astra Society in concert with SLSH through their cash reserves and a mortgage. No subsidies have been received for the renovation of this property.

Emerald Street Treatment Centre
24 Emerald Street South
Hamilton, Ontario L8N 2V2
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SLSH provides a significant benefit to the City of Hamilton, providing a safe, structured release for persons returning to the community from federal prisons. The program provided at 22 & 24 Emerald St. South is consistent with the City of Hamilton's strategic vision and plan.

The success rate of this program is considerable with 0% recidivism over the past 2 years and the vast majority (70%) completing without a parole violation. Further, the DC's are calculated based on an increase in the number of bedrooms even though the total number of occupants is not increasing. The facility currently has mostly double occupancy rooms, which will become single rooms following the renovations. The increase in bedrooms is not reflective of any increased use.

We are seeking 100% exemption from the City's DC's in the amount of \$4,404.50 and Go Transit DC's of \$37.50. The Public and Catholic School Board's DC's will be addressed with those bodies.

Thank you for your consideration

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John T Clinton
Executive Director

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DC Charges	# of units/ sq ft	City DC's		GO Transit DC's		Public EDC's		Catholic EDC's		
		Rate	Ext	Rate	Ext	Rate	Ext	Rate	Ext	
City Portion Residential Facility Bdfrm	5	8,809.00	44,045.00	75.00	375.00	-	-	-	-	
<i>Note: Actually a net increase of 6 bedrooms, first is able to use intensification credit, therefore only record 5.</i>										
EDC Portion Non-Residential - EDC Portion	2,713	-	-	-	-	0.39	1,057.88	0.34	922.25	
DC Redevelopment Credits <none>										
Exemptions										
CIPA		0.90	(39,640.50)	0.90	(337.50)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Net DC's Due			4,404.50		37.50		1,057.88		922.25	
										Total Payable
										\$ 6,422.13