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Re: April 3 Planning Committee Item 6.6 – Port Lands Zoning

Dear Jason:

The proposed new zoning for Hamilton's port lands is a positive development that modernizes the bylaw to anticipate and promote contemporary industrial uses, and helps to align the vision for the port lands into one that is shared by HPA and the City of Hamilton.

In particular, we are supportive of the elimination of the historic 'K' zoning, and its replacement with designations that are largely consistent with industrial zoning found elsewhere in the City.

As you know, for many months, HPA staff and City Planning staff have worked closely together to develop an approach to port lands zoning that both supports the City's aspirations, while allowing for the full functioning of the Port of Hamilton as a federal Port Authority, with a mandate to facilitate trade and economic development through transportation.

This past February, City Planning staff provided HPA with a complete package of updates to the zoning bylaw for the port lands. Our February 26 letter (Appendix E) reflects our endorsement of that document only. However, the bylaw included in the April 3 Planning Committee Agenda includes changes made subsequent to our initial endorsement. These included, for example, requirements related to the handling of bulk materials, which is a matter of shipping, navigation and marine cargo handling, and would benefit from further detailed review and discussion between our two staffs.



We have appreciated the opportunity to work with City staff throughout the development of this document. As a matter of good process, we would respectfully request the same opportunity to work with City Planning staff to understand and contribute meaningfully with respect to the newly-added items. We would appreciate your support of a deferral to allow this work to continue.

Sincerely,

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Ian Hamilton
President & CEO
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