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To: McKie, Shannon

Cc: Newbold, Christine; Mahood, Alissa; Thorne, Jason; Robichaud, Steve; Downtown Hamilton Review

Subject: Re: new downtown plan

Thank-you Shannon,

I appreciate the detailed and informative reply!

I'd like to add my official feedback to this new plan....I presume this email will suffice.

- I'm supportive of the large mixed-use zone throughout downtown. Mixed use streets are so crucial to a walkable downtown
- I'm happy to see Section 37 included, although we will never truly realize it's benefits with an arbitrary height restriction
- speaking of which, I'm opposed to the escarpment height limit. It will simply drive away investment and growth opportunities, which results in higher home prices and less housing stock.
- I'm pleased to see efforts to add gardens/patios on rooftops as well as architectural features along the tops of buildings, which will hopefully lead to a more interesting skyline
- not sure I'm reading this part of the plan correctly, but I don't support a 100% mandate of building setbacks at a specified height. The constant repetition of podium/setback design could lead to monotonous streets like many in Vancouver have become.
- I'm supportive of the efforts to maintain spring/summer sunlight on parks and public plazas
- I'm supportive of efforts to limit blank streetwalls, and add animated uses such as retail and patios.

Thank-you for the opportunity to send feedback!

Cheers,  
Jason