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Re: Urban Hamilton Official Plan Amendment (File No. UHOPA-18-15)
St. Jean Properties Inc. and Durand Development Corporation

As residents in the immediate area of the proposed 13 storey building located at 282 MacNab St. N., we would like to express our objections and concerns regarding parking spaces proposed and the excessive height that will tower over neighbouring properties.

At our Witton Lofts residence, we have 6 floors, 36 units and 36 parking spaces as well as 3 visitor spaces. As Superintendent of the building, I have information as to which cars are registered to the 36 specific parking spaces. In our 36 resident building, there are 46 vehicles registered since some owners have more than one vehicle. Only one resident does not have a vehicle at this time. Street parking for blocks is full with the extra vehicles as well as use by neighbours.

The proposed condo tower is 13 stories, 110 dwellings and 51 vehicle parking spaces = on site parking for only 46% of units. Using this formula, Witton Lofts would have only 17 parking spaces provided. Where would the other 29 vehicles park?

It is also true that if a resident is able to commute to work using the limited public transit, many still have a vehicle for personal after work use.

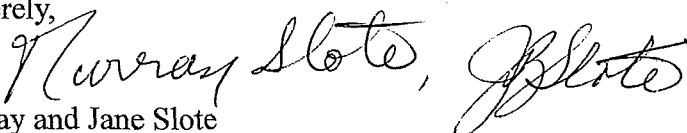
Hamilton is a great city with many special events that also greatly limits street parking.

The parking ratios of this development will negatively impact this neighbourhood and would set a unwelcome precedent for future buildings such as the one proposed on Stuart St., (directly across from 282 MacNab) which has similar parking ratios.

We would like to quote a small excerpt from the Hamilton Setting Sail Secondary Plan, which appears to have been abandoned. "Developments will preserve and maximize on street parking, respect design, scale, massing, setbacks, height and use of neighbouring buildings existing and anticipated." These issues are still very valid today, and ignoring the secondary plan undermines the extensive public input that helped form it.

We respectfully request that the City reconsiders this amendment regarding the proposed parking ratios.

Sincerely,



Murray and Jane Slote