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RE: Note from Aly Livingston to your Facebook page. Urban hens program

From: Aly Livingston

Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 11:23 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Fwd: Note from Aly Livingston to your Facebook page. Urban hens program

Hello.

I hope this finds you well. The following is a letter i wrote to Mayor Eisenberger for proposal at council. I would love to have the opportunity to present this pilot to council.

Please see attached, and thanks for your time and consideration.

Best,

Aly Livingston Dundas

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From: Aly Livingston

Date: Sun, May 31, 2020 at 6:15 AM

Subject: Note from Aly Livingston to your Facebook page. Urban hens program

To: <mayor@hamilton.ca>

Hi Fred.

Thank you for giving of your time to provide leadership to a city and amalgamated territory that is still, very much finding its way,

I am concerned by some decisions by council, that lack foresight and do not support sustainability. I am writing you today to Propose an initiative that would Achieve both of these things.

Let's talk chickens.

I am a homeowner in Dundas. I have been off work and isolating at home alone Since March - In this time, I have cared for chicks and raised them in a heated coop off the my back of my house. Chickens have given me much needed companionship and in time will supply me with eggs. Now more than ever, food security and procuring food in a safe manner is a basic human right. Hens are an extension of my garden and a focus in these isolating times

Toronto has an Urban hens pilot program that permits people in 5 wards up to 4 hens for egg purposes only. Permittees must

Fulfill a list of criteria that Ensures the animals are cared for properly and securely.

If I am able to obtain a license for a dog or cat, care for an exotic bird nor reptile - or even support a cat colony- Why not allow for chickens? They make less noise than the sparrows, robins and cardinals that fill my

trees. They are less destructive than the squirrels And raccoons. They are permitted in Brampton, Caledon, Guelph, and st. Catherine's. Can we just agree to step into the new millennia and pass this trial? 100% of the cost of chickens falls on the owner. There is a petition on <a href="change.org">change.org</a> that has garnered thousands of signatures. The time is now. Would love to meet to discuss further, or perhaps present to council. Please let me know what our next steps can be.

Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Aly Livingston Dundas

Sent from my iPad