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Hello,

Thank you for providing a copy of the report generated by the City Planning Committee, in preparation for the public consultation meeting October 6, 2020.

I'd like to highlight one area for additional consideration - in reference to the NPCA and the infilling of ponds. The report acknowledges the infilling occurred for liability issues. The NPCA map (included below) demonstrates that the former ponds are indeed part of the NPCA jurisdiction; NPCA also acknowledges that no permits were issued prior to the infilling that occurred. While this is more site-specific, rather than being specific to the amendment application, I believe it should be noted in the bullet on page 27 (screenshot below) that these waterways are a part of the NPCA jurisdiction, according to their site map.

Thank you.

~Carolyn Venema

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build up, not out – focus on intensification – cost effective and will better use existing services</li> </ul>	
Protection of Natural Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need to protect wetlands, forests and unique and fragile ecosystem, which offer many benefits (reduce flooding, filter water, biodiversity, carbon sinks, species habitat)</li> <li>• Conserve green space and open space lands for parks</li> <li>• Preserve 'close to nature' feeling in Hamilton</li> <li>• Questions surrounding infilling of aquatic features and tree removal on the former golf course lands</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Both provincial and local planning policy require that the water resource system and natural heritage system are protected and development must avoid these areas and mitigate potential impacts.</li> <li>• Prior to any expansion of the urban boundary, numerous studies will be required to demonstrate compliance with the above, including Environmental Impact, Linkage and Hydrogeological Studies.</li> <li>• The portion of the Twenty Road West lands that are designated Open Space were previously used for a golf course which explains the designation. The lands have never been identified for park uses.</li> <li>• Pond filling on the golf course occurred due to liability issues. The ponds were not natural heritage features.</li> <li>• Tree removal was not part of a woodland. The removal was investigated but no action was required.</li> </ul>

# NPCA Approximate Regulated Areas



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Roads

Corporate Watershed

NPCA APPROXIMATE REGULATED AREAS

Assessment Parcels

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0.2 mi

0.1 km

Scale: 1:5000. Contour: 10m/30ft.

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