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**Subject:** Cameras for Speeding in Hamilton

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Honourable Mayor Einsenberger,

I just received a ticket from a camera - no less - while driving westbound on Stonechurch near Pritchard doing 61 kph in a 50. Is this speeding? Yes, it is.

I would simply appreciate it if we identified these cameras for what they are – “revenue generators”.

At 61 in a 50 AND in safe proximity to another visible vehicle in front of me - as conveyed by the photo - obviously doing the same/similar speed, there was absolutely NO element of carelessness nor a microscopic element of unsafe driving.

What this city needs is a focus on road quality, aggressive driving, drunk driving, excessive speeding, winter road quality/maintenance, etc.

Here is another good example of blatant revenue generation. Westbrook Road, north of Binbrook Road – dissecting Hamilton region from Niagara – is 60 kph where cash crops grow and the occasional cow grazes. Once you cross Binbrook Road (southbound, still on Westbrook) there is a community of homes. And yet, the speed in front of these homes is 80kph!?! Now THAT is a blatant disregard for safety! Both Hamilton and Niagara police officers rely heavily on this area for “revenue generation”, and for good reason.

At 66 years of age, I think it’s sad to see the city I was born and raised in stoop to this level.

Again, all I ask is that you come clean and call it what it is – a revenue generator. PLEASE remove any semblance of safety assigned to these cameras, ie. 61 in a 50 *with no institutions/facilities in close proximity and in ideal road conditions*. Let’s just call it what it is.

Thank you for your time, Sir.

Ugo