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To: Mayor Eisenberger and all Members of City Council

I am writing to you to express my concerns regarding the proposed expansion of Hamilton's urban boundary. Council needs to freeze the urban boundary and pause planning till in person consultations have occurred.

Expansion of Hamilton's urban boundary will have only negative effects with regards to climate change. Prime farmland will be lost and converted to suburban areas.

People need affordable housing and not the luxury homes that developers plan to build on these lands. There are many opportunities to build affordable housing within Hamilton's current boundaries.

Currently, people are focused on covid and on their own survival, not on urban planning decisions that will affect them far into the future. The hour long webinar that you are planning on March 29th cannot replace the in-person town halls and information sessions that need to take place in order for people to properly consider this issue.

Please freeze the urban boundary and pause planning till in person consultations have occurred.

Thank you.

Edward Reece