

May 17, 2021

Fred Eisenberger
Mayor
City of Hamilton
Email: mayor@hamilton.ca

Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

Thank you for your emailed letter to Minister Yurek on behalf of the City of Hamilton seeking a Minister's exception under the *Conservation Authorities Act* related to recently proclaimed legislative amendments requiring 70 per cent of municipal appointments of authority members to be members of council. I am pleased to respond on behalf of the Minister.

Based on the subsequent information that City of Hamilton staff provided to me on April 27, we understand that the non-elected members representing the City of Hamilton have current terms of appointment that run through June 2023. As a result, there is no need for an exception at this time, as these members can continue to serve out their existing terms. Should the City of Hamilton want to seek an exception closer to the end of the current terms, we would encourage this request be made approximately 3-4 months ahead of the City's preferred appointment date.

Thank you again for writing.

Best regards,

Debbie Scanlon

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