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Subject: 1400 Baseline Road, Stoney Creek

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It has come to our attention that there was a public meeting of the Hamilton Planning Committee recently to discuss reclassification from low to medium density housing (up to 9 stories) on the property at 1400 Baseline Road, Stoney Creek. We learned about this through social media, as there isn't now, nor has there been, any signage on that property to indicate that this meeting was being held.

We hope that our concerns can be taken to the committee, as we did not get a chance to attend as we were not notified. We have attended public meetings regarding this property in the past, and no such development was ever mentioned. The last proposal that we knew of from the City of Hamilton was for a municipal welcome center, including a Farmer's market.

Traffic infrastructure in this area is already overwhelmed, the cause of which is that the Conservation Authority sold their adjacent property for townhomes, and now cannot build an access road through to the North Service Rd. In the spring/summer/fall we can wait up to 30 minutes just to exit our street onto Baseline Road.

With the building of the new Winona Plaza across the QEW the highway interchange at Fifty Road is already heavily congested. Many people have asked for and been told that we need stoplights in these areas but they have not yet materialized.

There is no way that the neighbourhood around Baseline Road and Lockport Way, already heavily trafficked by vehicles in spring through fall, can support such dense development not to mention the services to our homes, i.e. water, sewer, etc.

The parking in the area has increased so much over the past couple of years as well - making it nearly impossible for any visitors to our homes to find parking in spring through fall with the increased traffic.

We demand that a meeting of the community with those involved in the City of Hamilton be called before this goes forward.

Thank you for your consideration
Ruth and Gerry Southwell