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Subject: City Initiative CI-20-A (Rezoning 1400 Baseline Road, Stoney Creek)

To whom it may concern,

This letter is regarding the January 20, 2021 City Council Meeting 21-001 concerning City Initiative CI-20-A to Amend the Urban Hamilton Official Plan and Zoning By-law for lands located at 1400 Baseline Road, Stoney Creek (PED20002) (Ward 10).

I live on Redcedar Crescent, directly East of 1400 Baseline Road, and I am a member of WCECC No. 479. I completely disagree with the decision to rezone the property as "Medium Density Residential 3". You can also rest assured that if I had known about this proposal beforehand, I would have spared no time in disputing it.

95% of the area has already been developed, almost entirely as "Low Density Residential 2b" (the exceptions being parks and a few low-rise commercial properties), and people have chosen to live here based on that. While the city will likely increase the value of the property by rezoning, it comes directly at the expense of the Lake Pointe community, and without any type of consent from us.

There was absolutely no signage posted on the plot of land, and documentation/letters do not appear to have been sent to anyone in the immediate area. From what I've gathered, the only way to have learned about this proposal was through a single listing in the Hamilton Spectator and Stoney Creek News, which I personally don't receive. Also, it is my understanding that my condo board requested the cancellation of all flyers, including the Stoney Creek news, so no one living on Redcedar or Baseline would have received that particular notification anyways. I personally just discovered the situation through complaints posted to our community Facebook page, and of the neighbours I've spoken to, nobody knew a single thing about it.

The Hamilton City Council does not appear to have the community's best interests at heart. Instead of transparency and community involvement, we have been excluded from this decision almost entirely. In the small amount of time I've known about this, I have yet to speak to a single resident in the area, nor have I read a single comment from community members online, who are in favour of this change. It may seem insignificant to the members of City Council, but you would all be failing at your job if you don't at least give the citizens of Ward 10 a chance to properly dispute this decision.

Sincerely,
Nick Velenosi

P.S. I wish to be provided with any Notice of Decisions in regards to CI-20-A applications for 1400 Baseline Road, Stoney Creek Ontario, Ward 10.