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Subject: Urban boundary

Clerk City Clerk,

My name is Jen. I am a mother of two and live in ward 4. I was raised by two environmentalists to truly care about the health of our planet. I also do a lot of volunteering in our wonderful city and I feel that I have a decent amount of knowledge about the challenges our community faces. One huge one is affordable housing. I completely understand the pressure put on council by both the province and from developers to open up our urban boundary and to build on farmland. However literally the only people that will help is those same developers and the politicians that they pay for. As for the people of Hamilton? We will face an increased infrastructure deficit, increased pollution, increased food prices, and we will still be left with a massive affordable housing shortage. Even if developers are forced to build mixed income neighborhoods, as should be standard practice, cheap homes are not affordable homes without transit. No one could possibly think that money will be found not only to pay for the roads and sewers for sprawl and for a regular bus service. Our elderly deserve homes to downsize into while remaining in our community. Young people deserve homes in communities where they can live without cars. Hamilton deserves to see tax revenue increase without tax rates increasing, because we need dollars to fix our crumbling infrastructure. We don't have to become a city of high rises to accomplish this. We have space in our current boundary for duplexes and midrise buildings. Let's build for a better future, not to line the pockets of developers at the expense of everyone else.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration. Please follow the will of the voters, we want our boundary to stay in place.

Jen Lenoir.

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