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Sent: Wednesday, November 10, 2021 8:46 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Urban Boundary Expansion

Clerk City Clerk,

Dear Councilors,

My name is David Zalepa and I am writing to you in regards to Urban Boundary Expansion.

Urban Boundary expansion is the last thing we need in our Communities. Please look around the City Core of Hamilton. There is plenty of land available to address/ increase the "so called" housing shortage. I say "so called" because the housing issues have many layers which I will not get into right now.

Has everyone forgot about the Harbor Lands purchased for the new Stadium? The Studebaker lands. There are neighbourhoods in Downtown Hamilton ripe for redevelopment to meet the immediate needs of the City of Hamilton. You are making decisions on plans that may never happen. The argument for expansion is based on ESTIMATED population growth in this area. This may never happen. As a City you should be planning for today and tomorrow at this point in time not planning for 2050. The Downtown core is where transportation, services, hospitals, shopping and entertainment already exist. These are the lands that should be in the development process. Not plowing over beautiful farm land to turn them into Urban Ghettos and line the pockets of all those wanting to expand the greenbelt using the false reason of a housing shortage.

Focus on getting your city in order first. That should be your motto.

And I have a great Candidate I will be promoting to run against Lloyd Ferguson in the next Municipal Election. A good, long time Ancasteronian with generations of support in that Community. And a focus on "Getting Your City in Order"

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