

February 25, 2022

Dear Mr. Kessler and Councillor Pauls:

I am tendering my resignation as a Director on the Hamilton Farmers' Market Board effective Friday February 25, 2022.

I applied to be a Director of this Board several years ago and was pleased this past May when I was invited to become a Director and get involved with a Hamilton institution. Unfortunately, this past year, I feel we have been unable to impart any effective change or support the vendors in a meaningful manner as a Board.

The recent decisions of Council have highlighted that the Board, in it's current state, can not offer any longterm plans or vision to the betterment of the Market, and as such I no longer feel I can contribute in a meaningful way during this time of redundant consultation and Council initiatives.

I truly feel that if Council and the City were interested in having an operable and effective board, they would have reached out to me in a timely manner upon the resignation of the Chair and another long standing director, considering it left me as Acting Chair, where some guidance and instruction would be necessary, this did not happen until three weeks post the February meeting.

I wish the Vendors and Management the best success for the Market.

Regards,

Damian Wills
Acting Chair
Hamilton Farmers' Market Board