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Office of the City Clerk  
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Re: Planning Committee Meeting April 5, 2022  
Housekeeping Amendments 9.6 and 9.7.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to express my wholehearted support for amendments to the Rural Hamilton Official Plan and the Zoning By-law to add the use of a distillery as part of an Agricultural Alcohol Production Facility.

Prior to the pandemic, I met with City officials to discuss the possibility of establishing a craft distillery on our family farm outside of Rockton. The response was encouraging.

Over the past two years, I have worked to make Rockhaven Distillery Ltd a reality. Our goal is to produce high quality spirits using ingredients grown on our farm along with other local ingredients. As the first rural Hamilton distillery, our aim is to create a destination that complements the agri-tourism sector in the City and aligns well with fellow Rockton area businesses; creating a tourism hub.

We have obtained the appropriate distilling licences from the Canada Revenue Agency, are working to obtain provincial licencing and have purchased a still. We look forward to the approval of these amendments and participating in the Hamilton agri-tourism industry.

Sincerely,

Susan McMaster  
Director  
Rockhaven Distillery Ltd.

