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Dear Councillors and Staff,

Hamilton is on the cusp of making a fantastic investment in our collective future. We can save 3300 acres of prime farmland and create more affordable, walkable neighbourhoods.

18,000 residents weighed in and were individually vetted by staff for 3 weeks, we were all so excited to find out that a staggering 90% of those who voted wanted to save farmland.

The engagement in this issue has been unprecedented and the council voted in November 16-3 showing their commitment to the wishes of regular citizens.

Now, one councillor is trying to undermine this effort.

We need to eliminate exclusionary zoning now!

Increased gentle density in our neighbourhoods means transit will be more effective and we will have a better chance of lowering our emissions.

Residents learned that taxes will increase if we expand urban boundaries.

We must create gentle density (including fourplexes) within our neighbourhoods.

The country is watching, let's do this right and finish strong. Let's eliminate exclusionary zoning.

Thank you, Michelle Tom Ward 2