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**Subject:** GRIDS2/MCR May 17th Public Meeting

From: Richard Johnson  
Sent: Monday, May 16, 2022 12:19 PM  
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Subject: GRIDS2/MCR May 17th Public Meeting

Hello City Officials:

This letter is in reference to the GRIDS2/MCR plan and meant for the May 17 Statutory Meeting. Without a degree of doubt, we fully support the protection of farmland surrounding the city of Hamilton and am absolutely opposed to expanding Hamilton's current city boundaries and in total favour of freezing Hamilton's urban boundary. We must make sure that any future population growth can be climate resilient and that our urban neighbourhoods be included within the current city boundaries. We must save our farmlands for food production and not for building new homes which are unaffordable to those who most need them and only serve to exacerbate the current climate crisis; City officials must follow through on the expressed wishes of Hamiltonians for a firm urban boundary as it exists today! Let's build a Hamilton together that helps us accommodate new families but at the same time is affordable, again climate resilient and supported by surrounding farmlands to feed our citizens. We Hamiltonians know what we need; Doug Ford and the provincial government do not know what we need! Hamilton is for Hamiltonians! Thank you for your kind attention.

Sincerely,

Rick and Lynda Johnson