From: Adan Amer
Sent: Tuesday, August 2, 2022 9:30 AM
To: <u>clerk@hamilton.ca</u>
Subject: Written Delegation August 3rd Planning Committee Meeting

To whom it may concern,

My name is Adan Amer, I'm a resident of Ancaster, and this email will serve as my written delegation for the August 3rd Planning Committee Meeting.

I want to show my wholehearted support for the proposed policies that facilitate gentle densification such as permitting semi-detached dwellings, duplex dwellings, and street townhouse dwellings in low density neighborhoods; or allowing existing SDUs to be converted to accommodate more people.

As a long-time Hamiltonian, I'm happy to see this city thrive and grow. However, I don't want to lose the distinct ecological features that made this city so unique by replacing farmland or parts of the greenbelt with mansions, or by replacing older buildings and townhouses with skyscrapers that no regular person can afford. Allowing homeowners to convert their properties into SDU's will allow for more housing within our boundary and help struggling folks to generate a sustainable source of income through rent. It will also support multigenerational families to stay together in a way that maintains the members dignity and privacy. With aging parents, it gives me security to know that I may be able to build a second dwelling that keeps my parents close to me while also giving them their independence.

I hope the counsellors and members of the committee can see the value that these SDUs add to our city.

Thank you, Adan