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Subject: Aug 3, 2022 - Planning Committee Meeting

We write today **in support of inclusionary zoning. attach Please attach this submission to the public record for the Aug 3 planning meeting.**

Not only is inclusionary zoning a wise economic decision as increased density is equivalent to an increase in tax revenues, it is well proven that inclusionary zoning benefits a neighbourhood and its residents in countless ways.

By adding new permitted uses and converted dwelling permissions in low density (single family home) residential zones, semi-detached dwellings, duplex dwellings, and street townhouse dwellings would be permitted. As homeowners in Ward 13, we would be thrilled to have the right to be able to build a structure that would accommodate us, our aging parents, my brother (who has been on the list for supported City Housing for over a decade and still has a years-long timeline until he is granted an apartment) and our young adult children who, not surprisingly, are highly unlikely to be able to afford homeownership themselves anywhere in Hamilton.

Having travelled in Europe and lived in Montreal, we have observed time and time again that gentle density provides the foundation for substantial and positive amenities in a neighbourhood, improving livability with more grocers, cafes, shops and services in near proximity (sadly, in Dundas we have a food desert and even one more grocery store would be an absolute boon).

We are fortunate to be fairly well served by transit in our neighbourhood but an increased population would necessitate increased frequency, which in turn would lessen traffic and improve liveability.

There is absolutely no downside to inclusionary zoning to allow gentle density to support our aging population and preserve our precious farmland; it is the economically sensible choice, and will contribute to helping Hamilton to achieve its ambitious goals.

Respectfully,

Emil and Kris Gadjanski