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Subject: Freeze the urban boundary

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Subject: Freeze the urban boundary

Hello members of City Council,

As a lifelong resident of this city, I'd like to add my voice to the growing list of Hamiltonians requesting you to freeze the Urban Boundary, and to delay any further land needs planning until after public in-person consultations occur.

As we are all aware, suburban sprawl is incredibly expensive, inequitable, and it drives up our property taxes. It also consumes irreplaceable agricultural and green land needed to sustain southern Ontario. Sprawl sucks the life out of the city's core, which desperately requires attention now more than ever. It also contributes to climate change and increases greenhouse gas emissions, emissions which the City has promised to reduce.

I hope you seriously consider the pleas many including myself are making to freeze the urban boundary. The gravity of this situation cannot be emphasized enough.

Thank you,

Maggie Mahony