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**Subject:** No boundary expansion into farmland

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Dear Council,

Expanding the city into our farmland is not the right way to go. In this age of degradation due to human activity resulting in severe climate change we need our farmland, wetlands and woodlots to keep ourselves healthy not to mention other species.

The proposals to accommodate our expanding population within the city boundaries are viable options. Too often, city expansion is a wasteland of housing with no community infrastructure like shops, grocery stores, recreational facilities, schools, banks etc. which means citizens have to drive everywhere. This type of housing is useless for the poor and homeless, and for those who can afford to live in suburbs it keeps taking away from ever important natural environment.

Please look at the alternate and doable proposals as to how to accommodate the population within our existing boundaries. I do not want to lose the land that will feed my future generations.

Rosemary Almas  
Hamilton citizen