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Hello everyone,

In advance of the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee's meeting on Thursday, February 22, 2024, I wanted to add my voice on what level of development charges we should charge developers.

-Hamilton taxpayers should be fully consulted before the final vote in April since any discounts on industrial DCs will be transferred to taxpayers.

-I support the proposed new DC rate of \$41.48 per square foot for all industrial development on greenfields.

-I support a further Industrial DC increase for developers who build on unserviced farmland where there is no existing infrastructure, compared to those that build on [brownfields](#) within the urban area where infrastructure already exists.

-Any developer who is successful in having their lands added to the Urban Area by forcing the expansion of Hamilton's urban boundary must pay the full costs of urbanization.

-Every Councillor on the committee expressed their strong desire to reduce the tax burden on residents during the recent budget period. This is their chance to ensure that developers, not taxpayers pay for growth.

Thank you for your time, and hope you have a great rest of your day,

Kira McDermid

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