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

A further Industrial DC increase is crucial 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 now and into the future

Thank you to all the Councillors on the committee, who all expressed their strong desire to reduce the tax burden on residents during the recent budget period. This is your chance to ensure that developers, not taxpayers pay for growth. The taxpayer dollars are desperately needed elsewhere.

With sincere thanks,

Allyn Walsh

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