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Dear Audit, Finance and Administration Committee,

I reviewed the slide deck of information regarding the proposed by-laws change to hold industry and warehouses accountable and not download the tax burden to residents of the city.

I support the proposed new DC rate of \$41.48 per square foot for all industrial development on greenfield and the further Industrial DC increase for developers who build on farmland compared to those that build within the urban area where infrastructure already exists. I hope that 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.

I am grateful that there are organizations that support communication so citizens are aware of what is being proposed. I heard the public consultation had one attendee. One question is how can the city improve the process to make things more transparent so citizens can be informed and contribute comments and insights for the April meeting?

Thanks for the work you are doing that centers the needs of the public and the environment while looking at economic growth in a balanced way.

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