## **Bates, Tamara**

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Dear Councillors and Clerk:

When the AF&A Committee meets this Thursday, please establish the April increase of development charges for industrial units on greenfields to the proposed \$41.48, from the present discounted rate of \$16.70.

The increase will help prioritize Hamilton brownfields as building sites, as they are already serviced by expensive infrastructure. Infill within the existing City boundaries is preferable to sprawl on greenfields, not only because it is cheaper for taxpayers, but also because rehabilitating brownfields protects our environment. Let us use well what we already have at hand, rather than needlessly expanding.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Theresa McCuaig and Family

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