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To Members of the Audit, Finance and Administration Committee.

Since any discounts on industrial development charges will be paid by Hamilton taxpayers, they should be meaningfully consulted before the final vote occurs on these fees in April.

I support increasing development charges at the rate of \$41.48 per square foot for all industrial development on greenfields and an increase for development on unserviced farmland that has no existing infrastructure.

In addition, if a developer succeeds in having lands added to the Urban Area by forcing expansion of Hamilton's urban boundary, then they should pay the total cost of the development.

This is an opportunity for city councillors to decrease the tax burden on residents and ensure that developers rather than taxpayers take responsibility for growth.

Sincerely,

Sue Markey