From: Megan Saunders

Sent: February 25, 2024 9:23 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: City Council Feb. 28th, 2024: Affordable Housing in Stoney Creek

Dear City Council,

I am writing in advance of the Feb 28 vote to register my dismay at the resistance among some councillors to proposed affordable housing on what is currently a parking lot in Stoney Creek. I can't believe I have to do this.

As one councillor noted, we do not have a parking crisis. We have a housing crisis: a crisis that is clear to anyone living in Hamilton, that Hamilton city council acknowledged unanimously. This is such an easy "yes" that I despair we will ever get people off the streets into housing if even parking lots are more important than people.

This is urgently needed housing and decisions such as this are a moral imperative.

Good luck to council, and to all of us, if these reluctant councillors cannot see their responsibility to their fellow humans.

Sincerely, Megan Saunders, MD