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Subject: Written submission for Planning ctte

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Dear Clerk:

Hope this finds you well. Below, please find a written submission for the Planning committee. Please place it on the agenda of the next Planning committee meeting. Thanks very much.

Kindly,

Joshua Weresch

To the members of the city's Planning committee:

Hope this finds you well. I write as a resident in Hamilton, Ontario.

On the agenda of the Planning committee meeting of 3 October, correspondence was received by the committee, asking for the committee to consider the institution of an extreme noise by-law as had been done in Brampton, Ontario. I write in support of such a by-law with some alterations.

92 dB is an excellent threshold to set for a nuisance by-law. Construction sites, however, should be exempted from this by-law because they and their work is transitory in nature. Powered devices such as snowblowers, lawnmowers, and especially leaf-blowers should be included and a minimum fine of \$500 and a maximum of \$100,000 is more than adequate for deterrence. Instead, however, of using policing to stop vehicles that are speeding or are loud, perhaps decibel meters could be affixed to speed cameras and those cameras moved around the city along arterial roads. It would be much cheaper to use speed cameras and safer for the community at large than to employ policing services to address traffic concerns.

Thank you for your time and attention in these regards. I hope the committee can begin the work of instituting this noise and nuisance by-law.

Regards,

Joshua Weresch