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The encampment protocol is arbitrary and unfair. It was made without thought to its residents' health and security of their person.

The protocol and its realization and execution has resulted in indecent conditions.

The protocol is not commensurate with humanitarian standards in the face of crisis. It is unreasonable and can be argued as against the law.

The encampments are a disastrous solution to the disastrous housing emergency.

It is long over due the Red Cross be called in, private security and toilets and garbage collection for a start. It is apparent there is money in the protocol budget.

Compassion must guide the City's management of this protocol. Any other emergency would call for it.

Some encampment residents live with rent eviction, poor mental health and addictions. The City must treat all encampment residents with main concerns for their dignity, health, safety and it must provide targeted meaningful help.

Hamilton has an opportunity to set standards and produce fair and decent outcomes that could be replicated across Canada.

Respectfully submitted.

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