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**Subject:** Motion to outlaw laneway suites & granny flats

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Good morning,

My name is Kristin Scarfone and I am a resident of Ward 8. I understand that my city councillor, John Paul Danko, is moving a motion that will not allow 2-storey laneway suites and granny flats (called Additional Dwelling Units or ADUs) in backyards and above existing garages to be built.

These are a real way to add affordable housing to neighbourhoods near jobs and transit. A two-storey ADU can have two bedrooms upstairs and costs only around \$275,000 to build. They can also be a suite built on top of an existing garage for even less.

To avoid bulldozing farmland, to meet population forecasts, **you** can instead choose to allow for 'gentle' density with a mix of housing within the existing urban boundary.

Urban expansion in Hamilton would destroy 4000 acres of wetlands, woodlots, watercourses, prime farmland and actually hampers our ability to build needed affordable housing.

I hope that you will strongly consider the wants of Hamiltonians. We do not want our farmland bulldozed and this is one way to add more housing within our current boundaries.

With respect,  
Kristin Scarfone