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Council and City Staff,

I am a citizen/taxpayer in the city of Hamilton and a resident of Ward 1.

I urge city council to reject the MZO before it on the basis of the following:

This is the third attempt by UWS to force the expansion of Hamilton's urban boundary and is an unacceptable waste of Planning Staff's time and resources, and taxpayer money.

Indigenous consultation has been deemed insufficient by staff.

The MZO map includes no parks or schools.

The MZO conflicts with the City Council approved firm urban boundary growth strategy in the Urban Hamilton Official Plan and the City is actively implementing land use policy and zoning changes, incentive programs, and process improvements to meet the City's housing needs more efficiently and sustainably within the existing urban boundary.

The MZO proposes to convert 99 acres of land to residential, within the noise exclusion zone of the airport.

Field studies to determine species at risk and natural habitat are outdated and don't conform to city requirements that they be no less than five years old.

The 2023 Subwatershed Study and Stormwater Master Plan provided is not based on the approved Terms of Reference and appears to be missing a number of items.

Hamilton City Council must do everything in their power to unanimously reject the expansion of the urban boundary and the irreparable loss of farm and wetlands outside of the existing urban boundary growth strategy determined by the planning experts and citizens of the City of Hamilton.

Sincerely,

Allan Harrison