

## 8.2 (a)

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**Subject:** Council May 7 7.2 PLC 25-006 item 8.1 and Agenda Item 8.2 Taxes

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Dear Clerk and Council, Chair and Members,

If the vote to deny 13 new units with the 4 possible on Hamilton Drive (PED25036) in Ancaster proceeds,

Every Secondary Plan in the City of Hamilton will be in jeopardy

The involvement of the community in spending time and effort constructing Secondary Plans will be dismissed

The staff time and resources in constructing Secondary Plans will have been wasted

Future Secondary Plans will always be developed under the auspices of someone who can just come along in the future and whine they don't like it.

If the vote proceeds to deny

Cancel all Secondary Plans

Re-assign any staff involved in their construction, maintenance and implementation to Procurement

Just tell the community their opinions don't matter = Whoever sits in the seat on any given day will dictate future planning.

Setting Sail is the same age as Shaver. Developers around will excite at the idea that the North End Secondary Plan is 'out-of-date'

Our current needs in the city are housing and it's shameful the Association of Single Family Home Owners Against Other People Owning Single Family Homes lobby is so strong

Respect the wishes of the community and vote to Approve the Hamilton Drive housing

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Today is approval day for FCS25023 2025 Tax Policies and Area Rating - REVISED

Appendix A detailing the rates contains \$13,428,870 (almost 14 million) in non-optional taxation of some residents of Hamilton under the heading

SPECIAL INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

which has somehow turned into "let's give it to friendly organizations so they can hand out cheques to people"

defies any semblance of good governance, honesty and fairness.

Cancel this tax until Council can show Hamiltonians the Special Levy Tax they are forcing Hamiltonians to pay can be spent on addressing the Infrastructure Deficit, ie City Owned Infrastructure Assets in need of Renewal

best regards  
Gabriel Nicholson