



June 19, 2025

RE: Support for the Elfrida Urban Boundary Expansion

Dear Mayor and Members of Hamilton City Council,

I am Jon Wagner from Turkstra Lumber, a building material supplier that has been part of Hamilton for 72 years. With a Head Office in Hamilton, we operate Lumber Yards with 11 branches, manufacturing plants, a specialty trim and door division, and an industrial division. We also have over 250 employees and families that depend on our continued success, and we rely on local development to keep our team working. And yes, we are Canadian.

Currently, the economy appears to be shifting daily. There is uncertainty across Canada, changes in leadership, and talk of United States tariffs under President Trump. It is hard to plan, but one thing is clear. We want to keep Hamilton strong for future generations.

That is why we support the Elfrida urban boundary expansion, as it provides a lifeline for trades and small businesses. Without it, we may not be able to keep our people employed here.

We hope you will vote to approve the Elfrida boundary expansion, which will give Hamilton workers like us a better chance at stability and good-paying local jobs.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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