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Hello again,

I am writing yet again on about the urban boundary. I am asking that you deny the two applications from land speculators to force the expansion of Hamilton's FIRM urban boundary. Please remember that 18,000 Hamiltonians voted on the matter and 90% voted NO to urban boundary expansion.

We voted no because we simply cannot afford for thousands of acres of prime soil, farmland, wetlands and forests to be paved over in favor of luxury houses. PLEASE can we protect this land and build within the current urban boundary, close to transit, amenities and jobs and not spend a fortune on expanding infrastructure (keeping in my our current deficit of over 5 BILLION dollars)?

ALL of the urban expansion areas have been identified by planning staff as CLASS ONE soil and for this reason I believe it's grossly irresponsible to allow any development on this land.

Please support the city's firm urban boundary.

With thanks,

Laura Katz