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Subject: Green initiatives

Dear Hamilton City Council,

I watched the recent budget discussions, and while I was not surprised by some of what I heard from certain councillors, I remain dismayed by their inability to recognize where we have come from as a society and where we are headed without supporting green initiatives like the Office of Climate Change Initiatives and its reserves, and the cycling initiatives that have put Hamilton ahead of many other cities. As you may know or recall hearing at a recent delegation that I made, our society was afforded the opportunity to develop beyond the primitive state we began with because of 10,000 years of climate stability. We have ignored the importance of that stability for at least the past 4 decades, and to continue in that direction will lead to social breakdown because of damage to our atmosphere, and compromising of our natural support systems, including wetlands that are being damaged by development. Maintaining or increasing our local biodiversity especially our wetlands and forests, planting trees in areas that are lacking shade, providing safe housing with protection from excessive heat, are all actions that benefit Hamiltonians.

Please recognize the profound impacts that reducing efforts to maintain or improve our environment may have on our citizens and others with whom we share this world. Use your cognitive ability to think ahead and promote initiatives that will allow our children and grandchildren to enjoy a more stable and fulfilling life. Please support these important green initiatives.

Sincerely, Jim

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