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Mr. Mayor and Councillors

The City of Hamilton has many more issues of much greater significance that need resolution other than the Ward Boundary Review. There is no right answer on ward boundaries, only different ways to slice the pie. The issue would undoubtedly result in an incredible amount of dedicated time, effort, and money that we can ill afford in these difficult times. We are in dire economic times, this is not the time ~ Flamborough is just one ward increasing it's populatopm with more than 17,000 new people moving in. Binbrooks is also facing an incredible population growth.

The Flam Community Council felt that the review is premature due to the city's growth pattern, and certainly divisive if rushed through. The important point to be made is that we don't want the city to change wards now, only to have to do it again in a few months once growth and equity issues are more fully realized. Nor do we want the province or OMB to impose something on us.

FCC position that we believe it may not be the best time to move forward with this potentially divisive issue.

The Greater City of Hamilton faces many challenges and the residents may be better served if council and staff were free to focus on more pressing matters of economic development and budgetary restraint.

The general concensus would be one of disappointment in our City , if the decision is made to proceed on a review of ward boundaries.

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