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Submitted via email only to clerks@guelph.ca

Attention: Mayor Cam Guthrie and Members of Council

Re: Public Meeting at Council

**South Clair Road Neighbourhood Association** 

Shaping Guelph - Official Plan Update

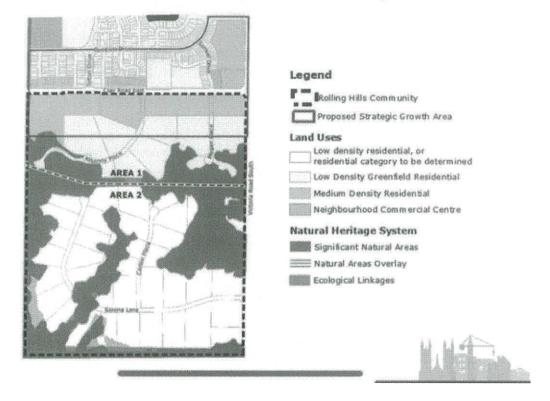
My name is Tony Verdone and my wife and I live at Serena Lane in the Rolling Hills subdivision. I have lived in this home for 21 years and have raised our family here. My property is located in Area 2 as labeled on the Rolling Hills, growth options plan - please see below.

As an owner within Area 2, we wish to state our support for the Strategic Growth Area as shown for Area 1. We believe that the city is taking the right approach by dividing Rolling Hills into two areas for the purposes of planning for this area. City staff have found a good balance to proceed forward while being fair and respectful of the concerns expressed by both Area 1 and 2 of Rolling Hills.

As a local business owner and a life-time Guelph resident, I have experienced the significant changes in Guelph's south end. I really do believe City staff should finish what they have started and allow the completion of residential and/or commercial intensification along Clair Road East. I couldn't agree more with City staff that the proposed strategic growth area along the south side of Clair Road should be the next focus area for development.

I also understand the need for attainable housing in Guelph, especially in the south end. Guelph has, and rightly so, invested in the Hanlon Creek business park which now attracts much needed businesses to our community. We have an opportunity to provide a range of housing choice and tenure for employees, employers and their families to be able to live, work and play within Guelph's south end. Townhomes, stacked townhomes and apartments are the missing middle and are just what we need.

## Rolling Hills – growth options



I recognize that any development within Area 1 will not impact my property and my lifestyle. I do support the preservation of Area 2 and the removal of any proposed collector road from the Clair Maltby Secondary Plan into Area 2. The existing Natural Heritage System feature should be protected thereby eliminating any requirement for a future road connection between Area 1 and 2. Lastly, any new development within Area 1 should be connected to full City municipal services.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments.

Yours truly,

Tony Verdone

Serena Lane