Submission to: Regional Planning & Economic Development Committee Meeting of June 15, 2022

June 13, 2022

Members: RE: Rec. Report PD-17-2022 NOP Recommendation Report for Adoption

Report Pd-17-2022 does NOT conform to the Provincial Policy Statement as the Regional Planners claim, particularly for the City of Niagara Falls proposed urban boundary expansions Rec. Numbers One & Two North of the Welland River, and in regard to Agricultural Policy I.I.3.8 (c) 2.i & ii where one is required to seek alternative lands for expansion or alternative lands of lower priority. This was explained in detail in my letter submitted to April 6/22 Committee Meeting.

I have attached two pages of excerpt from the I979 OMB Decision quoting experts on climate and soil for the City of Niagara Falls farmlands north of the Welland River.

These attachments prove the specialty crop capability of this agricultural area between Niagara Falls and Thorold and further prove the inaccurate designation of just "Prime lands", now being proposed.

Remember that the Region and City together with Developers were defeated in their attempt to expand the Northwest Quadrant as recently as 2015 and 2017 through the OMB and the Provincial Court of Appeal.

I request that this Committee refuse urban boundary expansion north of the Welland River concerning Parcel Rec. Nu. One and Parcel Rec. Nu. Two.and that the farmlands between Niagara Falls and Thorold be designated Specialty crop.

Yours truly, Jean Grandoni,

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