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Survey Responses: **Reid Frank**, candidate for **Local & Milton Regional Councillor Wards 2, 3, 4, 5, Milton.**

1. Currently, only municipalities can make a request to the Province to grow the Greenbelt, and they are responsible for implementing the Greenbelt Plan. Do you support growing the Greenbelt within your municipality and/or strengthening support for Greenbelt protection in your municipality?

No

I beleive that there is adequate protection for the Greenbelt - in our area. We have the Niagara Escarpment, Greenbelt and strong local and regional policies which currently exist.

2. In order for the Greenbelt to remain protected, municipalities must adhere to the Province's Places to Grow strategy, specifically, the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, while respecting the protections under the Greenbelt Plan. Do you support concentrating development within your municipality's existing urban boundary, while limiting further urban expansion into farmlands or greenfields?

Yes

The Places To Grow and Regional Offical Plan 38 limit growth to clearly defined boundaries.

3. New roads and other infrastructure fragment the natural areas of the Greenbelt, threatening its ecological integrity by destroying connections between natural heritage features. Do you support urban planning that would facilitate enhanced infrastructure for cyclists and pedestrians, an efficient public transit system, increased funding for public transit and/or improving links to regional public transit systems?

Yes

I support a reasonable amount of funding for public transit however there must be a balance between the needs of cyclists and efficient and safe transportation in the rural area's.

There is significant protection for the ecology under existing Environmental Impact Assessments.



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4. Strong market demand in urban areas near the Greenbelt for locally-grown foods supports a viable agricultural sector in the Greenbelt. Do you support the creation of a policy in your municipality that favours purchasing locally-grown foods for municipal facilities like nursing homes, day care centres and City cafeterias?

Yes

There are already existing policies for the support of local produce in municipal facilities.

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5. Do you support stronger recycling and green-bin programs to reduce waste in your municipality?

Yes

The Region of Halton has a very strong blue and green bin program already in place.

6. Water is a precious resource, yet Canadians continue to be one of the biggest per capita water consumers in the world, using almost double the amount of other developed countries. Do you support creating the water conservation policies necessary to offset new residential water demand for your municipality?

Yes

There must be a balance between supply and demand of this finite resource. Halton currently has a bountiful supply of water from both lake and ground water aquifer sources.

7. Given the need to reduce Ontario's contribution to climate change and foster the creation green jobs through investment in the green energy economy, will you support the removal of local barriers to facilitate the development of renewable energy projects in your community?

Yes

The Green Energy act in effect removed the NIMBY protectionism for numerous green energy projects. Having said that, one must also be aware of local concerns and try to mitigate the impact of installations.

8. Although aggregate (gravel) extraction is a permitted land use in the Greenbelt Plan, it continues to have huge negative impacts on the natural environment. Would you pursue a procurement policy that requires the highest level of recycled content allowable in municipal works projects, and situates aggregate extraction in areas away from sensitive natural heritage and source water features?

No

There is a delicate balance between the requirements for aggregate in a fast growing area and the prudent availability of supply. The resources is where it is - it can not be moved and our requirements for roads and new housing dictate the increasing demand. We must ensure continued source water protection and keep in balance the right of aggregate companies to meet the required demand for their product.

9. Do you support changes to the Ontario Municipal Elections Act to require that donations to candidates come only from electors in the municipality where the candidate is running, and that union and corporate contributions are banned?

No

Without Union or Corporate donations, many candidates would not be able to entertain the cost of running a campaign. It is a democratic principal to allow people - or organizations to support those who have simiilar goals and objectives.

Will you vote on Election Day, Monday October 25, 2010?

Yes No

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