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To Whom it may concern

My name is Chris Fisher and I along with my wife and young family currently live at *XX (redacted)* Lorna Court in Elmsdale. We are currently looking to build a new garage on our property.

During the planning stages I have encountered that due to the size of my building, Bylaw P1200 and the fact that I live on a serviced lot I require a full lot grading plan which alone costs \$2000. I understand the need for this By-law however I would like an amendment considered so residents similar to my case are not unfairly burdened with unnecessary costs. My property borders a deeded drainage ditch. As the current By-law reads I need a formal drainage plan stamped by and engineered to say the surface water on my lot flows into the ditch. With that I would like to see Council consider a targeted amendment to Bylaw P-1200, the Lot Grading and Drainage Bylaw, which I understand is currently under review.

I propose that Council amend Bylaw P-1200 to include a provision that permits certain residential construction projects to proceed without a full lot grading plan, provided the project receives review and approval from the Development Officer or their designate. Under this amendment:

1. Properties on municipal water and sewer services could attain conditional approval in lieu of a full grading plan when drainage impacts are clearly minimal or already exist.
2. The Development Officer or designate would retain authority to assess and approve applications on a case-by-case basis, ensuring municipal oversight

I recognize the importance of proper lot grading which ensures drainage for public safety and neighbouring properties but more flexibility is needed.

Given the economic conditions we live in and the ever increasing property taxes to support our communities, I feel every opportunity needs to be taken to reduce costs to residents. I am privileged to be able to even afford to build a garage on my property. However I will do my small part to support local businesses and we all gain in the end.

Thank you for your consideration. I would be willing to come speak in person at your next meeting if that would be helpful.

Regards

Chris Fisher

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