



January 25, 2012

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Mayor Rick Goldring  
City of Burlington  
426 Brant Street  
Burlington, ON

**Re: City of Burlington Budget**

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During your 2010 campaign for mayor and in the year following your election, your commitment for tax rate increases was a total tax increase of 10% over the four years of your term. This tax increase was "all in" and included the Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital (JBMH) redevelopment funding. The Chamber has supported this position and continues to support this position now that the JBMH redevelopment has been approved by the Ontario government.

The Burlington Chamber of Commerce urges the Mayor and Council to ensure that the total city budget increase, including funding for the JBMH redevelopment, be limited to 10% over the term of the current city council.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tamer Fahmi', written over a large, light-colored oval shape.

Tamer Fahmi  
Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Keith Hoey', written in a stylized, cursive font.

Keith Hoey  
President

cc: Councillor John Taylor  
Councillor Rick Craven  
Councillor Jack Dennison  
Councillor Blair Lancaster  
Councillor Marianne Meed Ward  
Councillor Paul Sharman

