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I did a deputation to the planning committee on June 8th so I hope you have all heard my concerns regarding the rezoning of 689 Cottingham rd.

A few points of concern came up during that meeting .

Mr Grass was asked about a trial period but he flatly turned this option down. Why would he not consider this, when he himself says if the business is successful he would move it to a different location?

The traffic study says 2-5 cars a day. If you were buying a trailer and there were 2 dealers within 3km would you not be

inclined to price from both on the same day ? Great Canadian RV 3 km away , can get 30 a day. How much tax money would the city lose by allowing this activity at this location rather than an actual commercial lot ? People are seeing this loop hole and there will be many more applications ! All of a sudden farmland looks cheap !

Mr Grass boasts that he has helped numerous dealerships start up all across Canada, so why would he doubt his own success and not purchase a more appropriate location now as opposed to in the future, as he says he will do.

Again I do not believe this is the proper location for non farm retail activities on the sideroads of our community.

If it does pass, I want to submit an application for a tire shop , to supplement my bona-fide farm income. Trailers and trucks all need tires, the location would be a good fit. I do not see how you could turn down my application or ANY OTHER on farm supplemental retail business . All of a sudden that discriminatory word pops up. Now our sideroads are full of retail outlets, avoiding taxes from where they should be and destroying our local communities !

Thank you for your time.

Bona-fide local 4th generation farmer,  
Douglas Howden.