

Deborah Liske

Subject: FW: Fence height bylaw

From: Meagan Brame <meagan.brame@esquimalt.ca>
Sent: June-14-21 8:59 AM
To: Marie Fidoe <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Mayor and Council <mayorandcouncil@esquimalt.ca>
Subject: Re: Fence height bylaw

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESQUIMALT RECEIVED: June 14, 2021 For Information __ CAO __ Mayor/Council Other _____ Referred to: <u>Anja</u> For __ Action __ Response __ Report For Agenda <u>X</u> Council __ COTW __ IC (agenda when up for discussion)
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Thank you for your email and I will forward to staff to be added to the agenda on this matter.

Councillor Meagan Brame
Township of Esquimalt

> On Jun 14, 2021, at 8:52 AM, Marie Fidoe wrote:
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> Meagan, thank you for your notice of motion regarding fence heights.
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> As a gardener, I feel that our current fence bylaw is woefully inadequate to offer protection from deer. Our municipality has declared a climate emergency, and growing food is one thing the ordinary person can do in regards to it. But taking away an important tool - derr fencing - really makes it impossible to do.
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> In the interim, at the very least, the township can quit responding to neighbour complaints about aesthetics of front yard food gardens. For some people, their front yard is the only place suitable for growing food.
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> Hedges can be grown any height and fully block sight lines, and yet there are not any regulations around them.
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> As long as fencing doesn't impact sight lines for traffic, what problem does it cause?
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> Increasing fence heights is a no-brainer. Please do it!
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> Marie Fidoe
> 1185 Old Esquimalt Road
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