

From: Beth Cain
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2017 11:11 AM
To: Barrett, Jon <JBarrett@a2gov.org>
Subject: Variance request for 431 Highland Rd.

Dear Zoning Board of Appeals:

In response to the notice for a request for a variance for fence construction so that an 8' opaque wall be built up to the front property line:

As newly arrived neighbors just down and across the street from the address above, we would object to any variance of the existing Chapter 104 Fences; Section 8:434. Keeping the rule as it is protects the beauty of the neighborhood, preventing construction from overwhelming nature. Changing it would be a bad precedent.

We moved to this neighborhood in part because we enjoyed the open views and lack of fenced in lots. To us these are special characteristics of Arbor Hills and Ann Arbor in general.

We are considering building a fence ourselves as we have 2 young granddaughters who visit frequently, but if we do so, we would go by the standing allowances. We feel that we would have adequate privacy and security by doing so, and think that those standards should be effective for everyone.

Thanks for considering our comments.

Regards,

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