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**Cc:** Dinney, Kathy  
**Subject:** Pool enclosure bi-law

Brenda, Mr. Mayor,

Please add my name to the list of people who oppose the new pool enclosure restrictions. I do not see the value of a second fenced enclosure unless it is for revenue generation through permits. This is just creating a false sense of security and another example of the 'nanny state'.

Children's safety should always be the responsibility of parents and guardians and this type of bi-law gives parents another excuse to defect their accountability.

Why not create a bi-law that states all children must take swimming lessons? When I grew up my parents took me to swimming lessons and drilled me continually, to stay away from water.

I think a education strategy is a better idea then creating more a unsupported, knee jerk bi-laws. "If it saves one single life, it is worth it" ...is not the proper type of analysis that good laws are built on.

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