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Subject: SDU's in Urban Area

Dear Sir/Madam:

If I have read the information in the Spectator correctly, it appears that the city is proposing to allow a secondary dwelling to be built in the back yard of certain existing homes where lot size and location would allow.

While there are a small number of lots in the city which would be large enough to accommodate a second home in the back yard, may I suggest this is very bad idea. Firstly, it would ruin the existing property; who would want to put another home in their back yard. Secondly, developers and investors would quickly see an opportunity to buy older homes on large lots, tear the original house down and build two homes on the lot. Imagine how one's neighbors would feel about that. While intensification is a reasonable goal in appropriate locations, this option would be a desecration of the few large lots in the city. The overall benefit to the city seems to be very small, compared to the destruction of the few large lots remaining in the city.

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