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## Submission on Napier City Proposed District Plan

### Form 5 Submission on publically notified proposal for policy statement or plan, change or variation

*Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991*

**To:** Napier City Council - Planning Unit

**Date received:** 23/10/2023

**Submission Reference Number #:**18

This is a submission on the following proposed plan (the **proposal**): Napier City Proposed District Plan

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**I wish to be heard:** No

**I am willing to present a joint case:** No

Could you gain an advantage in trade competition in making this submission?

- No

Are you directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that

(a) adversely affects the environment; and

(b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition

- No

## Submission points

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**Point 18.1**

**Section:** HRZ - High Density Residential Zone

**Sub-section:** HRZ - High Density Residential Zone - Standards Table

**Provision:****HRZ-S8: Fences and walls**

**Purpose:** *to provide for privacy of residential units while enabling opportunities for passive surveillance of the street; to minimise visual dominance effects to immediate neighbours and the street.*

1. Fences or walls (or a combination of these structures) must not exceed the height specified below, measured from the ground level at the boundary:
  - a. within the front yard, and along a common boundary with an Open Space Zone, either:
    - i. 1.2 m in height; or
    - ii. 1.8 m in height for no more than 50% of the site frontage and 1.2 m for the remainder, or
    - iii. 1.8 m in height if the fence is at least 50% visually open as viewed perpendicular to the front boundary.
  - b. Within the side and rear yards: 2 m.

**Matters of discretion are:**

1. Purpose of the standard;
2. Safety, attractiveness, and connectivity of streets and public open spaces, and
3. Quality living environments.

**Sentiment:** Oppose

**Submission:**

There should be no fence height restrictions. I oppose putting these in place. Also, you have made this process far too hard to submit feedback. We should be able to submit feedback without having to link it to the specific section, subsection and provision. It feels like you are trying to make it hard for people to submit their feedback and out put them off doing so.

**Relief sought**

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**Point 18.2**

**Section:** GRZ - General Residential Zone

**Sub-section:** GRZ - General Residential Zone - Standards Table

**Provision:****GRZ-S8: Fences and walls**

**Purpose:** *to provide for privacy of residential units while enabling opportunities for passive surveillance of the street and public open spaces; to minimise visual dominance effects to immediate neighbours and the street.*

1. Fences or walls (or a combination of these structures) must not exceed the height specified below, measured from the ground level at the boundary:
  - a. within the front yard, and within a side or rear yard adjacent to a common boundary with an Open Space Zone, either:
    - i. 1.2 m in height;

**Matters of discretion are:**

1. Purpose of the standard;
2. Neighbourhood character;
3. Safety, attractiveness, and connectivity of streets and public open spaces, and
4. Quality living environments.

- ii. 1.8 m in height for no more than 50% of the length of the boundary and 1.2 m for the remainder, or
- iii. 1.8 m in height if the fence is at least 50% visually open as viewed perpendicular to the front boundary.

b. Within the side and rear yards: 2 m.

**Sentiment:** Oppose

**Submission:**

There should be no fence restrictions in place

**Relief sought**

No fence height restrictions