

Subject: Closing of Lynn Valley Community Policing Center

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A MESSAGE FROM ERNIE CRIST;

The Lynn Valley Community Policing Center presently located in the Lynn Valley Mall will be closed as funding of the North Vancouver District's Police Budget has been cut by 1.35%. There was no seconder to a motion made by Councilor Crist to restore the \$ 140,846 needed to keep the facility open. Crist stated that closing this facility means a 180 degree turn in priorities for the District which had undertaken to expand the Community Policing program as the central piece of the preventive and extremely effective community policing program.

Crist pointed out that while Lynn Valley is being closed, Council is contemplating opening a Community Policing Facility similar to Lynn Valley in Seymour. An appropriate amount is in the 2002 District Capital Budget ready for approval by Council. Crist is the only Councillor who resides in Lynn Valley. He stated that it did not make sense to close Lynn Valley while open other facilities especially since Lynn Valley was the area with the most problems and also with the greatest populations of any neighborhood in the District.

Ernie Crist

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