

**Subject: Mrs. Maureen Bragg in front of Council;**

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Dear Mrs. Bragg:

Your performance before Council in connection with the waterfront issue was outstanding and needs to be mentioned.

My motion re this matter will come before Council at the next meeting on March 3rd. There was no need for the "Olympics Delegation" item to take as long as it did. If we had kept to our 20 minute time schedule we could have easily finished the Agenda. I'll keep my thoughts on this matter to myself for the time being. However, I do note that it was MY 2 motions which were sacrificed again - what a co-incidence.

As for the Olympics? - with all due respect to the organizers, volunteers and supporters, I wonder whether they are aware that the 700 Bus solution is "nuts". Did they forget about the Lions Gate Bridge? Nice people, but are they from this planet? I have seen 2 Olympic events and I know whereof I speak. Remember Atlanta? I had to hold my breath when I heard Mr..... ? say that a rail tunnel and extension to Whistler is not practical but 700 buses are.

In the event that we do get the Olympics, which is unlikely because of our backward transportation system, we in the District could at least make one worthwhile contribution to the Olympic spirit namely cut the grass. You'd be surprised just how popular clean and cut grass cities are with visitors.

I did admire the enthusiasm of the promoters speaking last night - maybe we should put them in charge of TRANSLINK instead of the "dodos" who are running it now.

Ernie Crist

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