

Subject: Response to e-mail from Mr Juthans re Lynn Valley Core and Library.

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Dear Mr. Juthans.

The District Council did NOT respect the "spirit" of the "Lynn Valley Pedestrian Oriented Town Center" which was sold to the public at the time of the Lynn Valley OCP debate.

Indeed, instead of such a "Pedestrian Oriented Town Center" complete with facilities which could have been obtained with little or no cost to the taxpayers as a result of comprehensive rezoning and profit sharing with the developers, the District received no benefits other than a rather large bill for the cost of the infrastructure needed to accommodate the higher density of the core area.

Lynn Valley certainly did not receive the "Pedestrian Oriented Town Center" that was promised and shown to the people of Lynn Valley on the glossy brochures during the OCP "Snake Oil" sales pitch unless of course we are counting the area needed for people to get in and out of their cars parked adjacent to the stores as pedestrian oriented. Please forgive me for being cynical.


What the people of Lynn Valley did get is more traffic, more pollution, more noise, more parking problems and a much higher housing density.

In the meantime the developers made their profits and left.

As for the Library itself including the "Town Center" - at considerable cost - this matter will come before Council. Hopefully this will be shortly. As soon as Council has been presented with the new and revised plans, they will also be made available to the public. There will undoubtedly be some press coverage.

Thank you for bringing your concerns to my attention.

Ernie Crist

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