

**Subject: RE: Lynn Valley Library, item 3 regular Agenda, Dec. 20,2004.**

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Council:

I am willing to reconsider my position on the referendum aspect. That is to say I am willing to go to referendum and to this extent I concur with Councillor Walton. I have resisted this scenario in the past since I thought it would be nothing more than an opportunity to kill this project - kill, by the same backward element who stood idly by without lifting as much as a finger when hundreds of millions of dollars of their Heritage Fund and the Infrastructure Reserve Funds were mismanaged. Did you know that despite the colossal sums of money the District received from its land sales at the time, there was not enough money to pay for Parkgate and it had to be built with tax money obtained via referendum?

At least, I thought the people of Lynn Valley will get some benefit from what is left of the land sale wealth mismanaged by previous Councils. But, in light of the unbelievable mess, in light of the fact that this project does not even contain a community center, despite its colossal price tag, I say, let it all hang out and let the people straighten this mess out one way or another.

Ernie Crist.

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From: Richard Walton  
Sent: Saturday, December 18, 2004 10:20 PM  
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I concur with Councillor Crist's concerns. I think that a separate night needs to be set aside for such an important item. We have an extensive agenda and input needs to be extensive. I am still in favour of a Referendum on this and believe that a departure from our existing plan which is now financially unviable needs to be broadly debated....Councillor Walton

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From: Ernie Crist  
Sent: Sat 18/12/2004 10:16 PM  
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Mayor and Council;

I see from a recent email dated Dec. 17 from Mayor Harris to Councillor Cuthbert, that speakers on item 3 of the Dec. 20 Agenda (Lynn Valley Library) will be allowed 5 minutes each.

This is not only contrary to established practice but, in my opinion, is also inadvisable. If the matter is of such importance and it may well

be, then the Mayor should set a separate evening and/or meeting aside so this item may be dealt with in public and without the normal time constraints of a regular meeting of Council.

To give each and every person 5 minutes each to speak on the Library and do so at a regular Council meeting when we have already difficulties getting through our regular agenda will create even more difficulties.

I suggest that we follow the existing rule of 2 minutes each per speaker for 30 minutes and allow an additional two speakers 5 minutes each (two main opposite views) for a total public input period of 40 minutes at the beginning of the meeting. As an alternative to this scenario I suggest two 5 minute delegations as part of the public input period of 40 minutes total.

I further suggest that item 3 be moved forward and be dealt with as item ONE immediately following the public input period. As an alternative to this scenario I suggest a separate public meeting on the Library issue early in the new year.

I we allow 5 minutes each per speaker on the Library, we may be there for hours just on the Library issue alone. I think Mayor Harris' suggestion is ill advised and will certainly create confusion if not chaos.

Ernie Crist



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