

Subject: Response to letter from Mrs Running of the Upper Lynn Residents Association.

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Dear Mrs. Running:

I am in receipt of your letter on behalf of the Upper Lynn Residents Association re Budget 2006 Priorities.

The stamp affixed to your letter indicates that it has been passed on to staff for information. How much good this will do, if anything I do not know at this time but I am glad that you have at least brought your concerns to Councils attention.

I understand that many of the problems you now encounter are the result of Mountain Biking which includes parking, traffic, impact on the neighbourhood and the Mount Fromme ecology etc.

I have along advocated that the whole issue of Mountain Biking be addressed within a comprehensive long term policy encompassing all the mountains of the North Shore. It is for that reason that I suggested a joint undertaking with the Provincial Government, the District of North Vancouver and the GVRD, which after all is the largest land holder on the North Shore.


You are undoubtedly aware that the District has not addressed this matter within those parameters and that as a result the situation is still a hit and miss proposition at best.

I urge you, however, to continue your struggle. While I agree that the North Shore Mountains are ideally suited for regional recreation, I also believe that the GVRD has a responsibility to address this matter on a regional basis rather than the District alone and at the expense of Mount Fromme and your neighbourhood. Ad hoc solutions as this is, are in my opinion not adequate and will haunt the District with a vengeance.

I urge you to continue to struggle to maintain the integrity of your neighbourhood and to become politically active. You may also wish to make this an issue in the upcoming municipal election in November. This is another way of saying, the stronger you are and/or are seen to be, the better the chances that you will be listened to and the better the chances that you will be able to maintain your neighbourhood and also the better the chances of getting your fair share of the 2006 Budget to address neighbourhood needs.

Yours truly,

Ernie Crist

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