

Subject: Fwd: Village Centre Plan for Capilano - Marine Drive
From: Douglas Curran <dougcurran@shaw.ca>
Date: Mon, 2 May 2011 18:25:54 -0700
To: Corrie Kost <corrie@kost.ca>

Hello Corrie,

Please add the email below and attached letter from Viv Christison of the Lionsview Senior's Planning Society to the agenda for the next FONVCA meeting

thank you,

Doug

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> ***From:** *Viv Christison <lionsviewhousing@gmail.com>
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> ***Date:** *May 2, 2011 2:33:14 PM PDT (CA)
> ***To:** *Doug Curran <dougcurran@shaw.ca <mailto:dougcurran@shaw.ca>>
> ***Cc:** *DNV Mayor and Council <dnvcouncil@dnv.org <mailto:dnvcouncil@dnv.org>>
> ***Subject:** **Village Centre Plan for Capilano - Marine Drive*

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> Dear Doug Curran, Mayor Walton and Members of Council,
> I have attached a letter which was originally intended as a simple thank you
> to Capilano Gateway Association. However, at our recent Housing Committee
> meeting, it was decided that a copy to Mayor and Council would help to
> emphasize our message of support for Age Friendly neighbourhoods.
> With many thanks to you all for the work you do in building community.
> Viv Christison
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> Viv Christison
> Chair, Housing Committee
> Lionsview Seniors' Planning Society,
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Capilano Gateway Association
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May 2, 2011

Dear Doug Curran,

I am writing on behalf of Lionsview Seniors Planning Society, Housing Committee to thank you and your Association members for working so hard toward the creation of an inclusive, accessible and age friendly neighbourhood in Lower Capilano/Marine Village. Lionsview Seniors Planning Society works to ensure that seniors can continue to live and age well in their own communities and so we wanted to express our appreciation that so many age friendly features have been included in the proposal for the new Village Centre.

In particular, we are very pleased to see the inclusion of the following:

- Services are situated together and are accessible
- There will be ground oriented shops [and we hope ground oriented medical offices]
- Pleasant public spaces, green walkways and seating areas are planned
- Safety through passive surveillance is considered
- There will be reliable and frequent public transit with transit stops that are conveniently located



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- There is an intention to enable a variety of affordable housing options in areas close to services and the rest of the community
- The plan includes provision of housing for frail and disabled older people
- There will be a centre for affordable community events and recreation activities that can be attended alone or with a companion
- Employment opportunities are considered
- Provision of an adult day centre will be explored

In looking over the list of community benefits, only two of the preceding ten are exclusive to seniors. So, although we speak for seniors, Lionsview believes that a senior friendly neighbourhood is friendly to all ages.

Lionsview is looking forward to the completion of its seniors' survey in July 2011. The survey will provide information on perceptions of the age friendliness of the North Shore. Perhaps Lionsview and the Capilano Gateway Association could arrange for neighbourhood seniors to review and respond to survey results. This may be useful feedback to have when you and the District move forward with anticipated community building.

Yours sincerely,

Viv Christison

Viv Christison
Chair, Housing Committee
Lionsview Seniors Planning Society

Copy to Mayor Walton and Council Members