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Mayor and Council
Corporation of the District of West Vancouver

Dear Mayor Goldsmith-Jones:

RE: Continuing Parking Issues at the Civic Site

My purpose in writing this letter is to alert you to an issue which was the focus of some discussion at our most recent Advisory Board meeting. Our concern was once again directed toward the need to provide a sufficient number of parking spaces for our members as well as for the public at large.

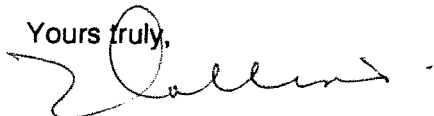
Our Advisory Board appreciates the efforts made by the Mayor and Council, as well as by District staff, to deal with the various difficulties encountered during the construction of our outstanding new Community Centre.

However, we wish to point out that there is still an urgent and pressing need to develop a plan which would provide additional or replacement parking spaces. This would be a matter of particular urgency if and when current parking areas are lost as a result of future off-site development. In this context, an example might be the loss of the "temporary" 22nd Street parking location. In the Board's view, it is essential that a plan for additional parking areas be developed and implemented before others are removed.

It is important that steps be taken to circumvent a repeat of the crisis of the last few years - one which resulted in, among other things, a reduction in membership at the Seniors' Activity Centre.

If this process calls for involvement on the part of the Board or our management, we would be pleased to participate.

Yours truly,



Ed Collins
Chair, Advisory Board of the Seniors' Activity Centre

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