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The Corporation of the District of West Vancouver
750 -17th Street
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Dear Madam Mayor and Council,

Re: Westmount Road

I have just obtained a copy of the letter from Mr Dozzi dated September 16 responding to my letter of August 24 which had the wrong return address.

I understand that some of the councillors are not comfortable with comments from the tax payers on this issue, but I would like to point out that it is the voters right to provide comment on the actions of council and it is councils duty, as our elected representatives, to listen to these suggestions and act in accordance with the wishes of the tax payers.

There are still remain some unanswered questions and one overriding question that need to be addressed by Mayor and Council.

I really do want to have council address the question of enforcing the law with regard to speeding on Westmount Road. Even if the "calming devices" do the job, and this has yet to be proven, of slowing the traffic on Westmount the people that would have been speeding there will still speed on other streets in this Municipality. So what have we achieved if we do not enforce the law in the manner it was originally supposed to have been enforced. This question of policy needs to be answered by council. I would like to have confirmation that council's policy is to have our Municipal police enforce the traffic laws of West Vancouver and that the Chief of police has been so instructed.

I understand from Mr Dozzi's letter that the speed on Westmount has reduced very slightly (6.6% in the Eastbound direction and 2.3% in the Westbound) as a direct impact of the "calming

devices". This is contrary to my experience. In fact I think they have added some extra dangers to pedestrians and cyclists. Mr Dozzi failed to give me answers regarding the following questions:

1. Details of the two fatalities he mentioned in his July 14 letter.
2. What was the justification for spending funds on a round about at the intersection of Rockview Place
3. How are the snow ploughs going to manage around these obstructions
4. What was the total capital cost of this work and what has been budgeted for the on going maintenance.

If you really wanted to slow the traffic down on Westmount, the most effective and cheapest solution would have been speed bumps if you are not prepared to have our police force do what they should be doing and enforcing the traffic laws in the Municipality.

To my view this does not protect all of us in West Vancouver, there are better things the money could have been used for and it gives the wrong impression to drivers in West Vancouver especially our new drivers. They see nobody enforcing the laws so they do not honour red lights, stop signs, no entry signs parking etc.

Yours truly,

