

COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE UPDATE TO FEBRUARY 18, 2026 (8:30 a.m.)

Correspondence

- (1) February 7, 2026, regarding “Fw: West Vancouver Sewage Grinder Pumps - February 09 Amendment Bylaw #5441 2026”**
- (2) Old Growth Conservancy Society, February 11, 2026, regarding “OGCS AGM on Wed, Feb 25 at 7 PM”**
- (3) February 12, 2026, regarding “Re: METRO VANCOUVER "What A Mess"”**
- (4) February 13, 2026, regarding “Dogs on the Seawall.”**
- (5) 2 submissions, February 13 and 17, 2026, regarding Proposed: Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 4985, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 5394, 2026; Zoning Bylaw No. 4662, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 5395, 2026; and Development Permit 25-012 (6085 and 6093 Marine Drive) (Referred to the February 23, 2026 Public Hearing)**
- (6) 3 submissions, February 17, 2026, regarding Pay Parking**

Correspondence from Other Governments and Government Agencies

- (7) J. Valeriote, MLA (West Vancouver-Sea to Sky), February 11, 2026, regarding “RE: West Vancouver council meeting with MLA Valeriote”**

Responses to Correspondence

- (8) Staff Lead, Pay Parking Programs, February 11 and 12, 2026, responses to 3 written submissions regarding Pay Parking**

From: [Redacted] s. 22(1)
Sent: Saturday, February 7, 2026 3:57 PM
To: Mark Sager, Mayor; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Christine Cassidy; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt; correspondence
Subject: Fw: West Vancouver Sewage Grinder Pumps - February 09 Amendment Bylaw #5441 2026

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Sent: Saturday, February 7, 2026 at 03:25:03 PM PST
Subject: West Vancouver Sewage Grinder Pumps - February 09 Amendment Bylaw #5441 2026

Dear Mayor and Councilors:

Re: February 9, 2026 Council Meeting and Amendment Bylaw #5441, 2026 Concerning District Owned Grinder Pumps on Private Property

We are a household that has one of the 150 DWV owned sewage grinder pump installed on our property.

We wholeheartedly agree with [Redacted] s. 22(1) February 06, 2026 submission to you regarding the DWV owned grinders pumps. Specifically:

1. The District needs to confirm that it is responsible for tracking its own ownership of the pumps, as it has all of the documentation, including the sanitary utility maps.
2. Servicing is the only charge the homeowner is willing to pay, and the rest, including materials, parts and equipment cost, are the responsibility of the District.
3. We are asking our Mayor and Council to delete, both item 3.5.2 from Appendix C, and item 6.1 from Appendix A (the Servicing Agreement), from Amendment Bylaw #5441, 2026.

Yours truly,

[Redacted] s. 22(1)

[Redacted] s. 22(1)

West Vancouver [Redacted] s. 22(1)

Homeowners with DWV Owned Grinder Pumps

From: Alan Bardsley [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2026 9:20 AM
To: Mark Sager, Mayor; Sharon Thompson; Scott Snider; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Linda Watt; Peter Lambur; correspondence
Cc: Sue Ketler; Jill Lawlor; Corinne Ambor; Lee Wright
Subject: OGCS AGM on Wed, Feb 25 at 7 PM

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I'm pleased to invite you to the OGCS AGM on Wed, Feb 25 at 7 PM in the Kiwanis Great Hall. Parking at Kiwanis is limited. Nearby parking is available at the West Vancouver Recreation Centre or on streets such as Gordon or 21st. Doors open at 6 PM for socializing and snacking.

OLD GROWTH CONSERVANCY SOCIETY
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2026 7:00 PM
Kiwanis Great Hall, 999 21st St., West Vancouver
Social Hour 6-7 PM – Pizza and snacks provided

AGENDA:

Approval of Agenda

Adoption of Minutes of February 26, 2025 AGM

Directors' and Treasurer's Reports

Election of Directors

Presentation by Dr. Jeff Sayer: *The values of small protected forests - What is needed to protect them*

Adjournment



Dr. Jeff Sayer, Professor, Faculty of Forestry, UBC.

Dr. Jeffrey Sayer is an ecological scientist with long experience in natural resource conservation. Jeff has worked both in practical conservation organizations and in universities in Europe, Australia and Canada. Jeff headed the Forest Conservation Program at the International Union for Conservation of

Nature and later was the founding Director General of the Center for International Forestry Research. Jeff is currently a professor in the Department of Conservation and Forest Sciences at the University of British Columbia and is researching drivers of long-term change in tropical forest landscapes.

Alan Bardsley
OGCS President
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West Vancouver, BC

Please do not redact my name or address when publishing this.

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2026 9:28 AM
To: premier@gov.bc.ca; ken.sim@vancouver.ca; DNV Input; Mayor; Mayor Linda Buchanan; Mayor and Council - DNV; mayor@surrey.ca; correspondence; mayorea; Lynne Block; Lisa Muri; Mike Little; David Stuart; Bowinn.Ma.MLA@leg.bc.ca
Cc: newtips@globalnews.ca; Brent Richter; nlaba@nsnews.com; jseyd@nsnews.com; News NS
Subject: Re: METRO VANCOUVER "What A Mess"

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To ALL,

This is my quick update if you all are still following NSWWT. I have been posting [REDACTED] s. 22(1) quite a bit as it captures more readers than my email messages.

For anyone who is not a Monty Python's fan, I will invite you to watch the Dead Parrot Sketch about the Norwegian Blue albeit it is really not about the parrot. I have used the reference in my recent posts because of the absurdity of blatant, insistent dishonesty exhibited by everyone involved in NSWWT as they are all avoiding addressing the issue directly (kind of like Michael Palin in the sketch).

Last night, I posted under this discussion [REDACTED] s. 22(1). This particular news article and others really signify why we need to kick all the part time unqualified elected officials out.

I had been working on some major construction sites in [REDACTED] s. 22(1) before my retirement. Outside Asia, it is hard to find any larger size construction sites. Their common threads are large construction offices filled with people who do little other than serving their typical bureaucratic machine inside. Interestingly, no one would likely not be able to find accountability as they are all serving building a facade. What is my point then?

All I have been seeing is the addition of site offices along West 1st if you have not noticed. Please also note the site offices are usually built well before they place the first shuffle in the ground!! The meaning of all these additional office spaces is...."guess what" serving this bloated and corrupted bureaucratic machine.

Meanwhile, we just had another councillor mouthing off that we should have experts running the project.

Welcome to the Dead Parrot Sketch!!

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

On Dec 18, 2025, at 8:00 AM, s. 22(1) wrote:

Good morning, Mr. Premier,

I have stopped writing as there has been little to no listening from anyone I have previously addressed. However, I have heard encouragement to do more mouthing off from folks I have run into over the past weeks including lunching with an old friend yesterday.

As we are closing out 2025 and welcoming 2026, there seems to have little to no leadership all the way up to the Office of the Premier of BC. All involved seem to be hiding their heads in the sand and hoping that all the issues will disappear as time passes. Regardless of what Metro Vancouver had done, it has become bureaucratic and ineffective at best (I will add "it is borderline corrupted")!! It is not a simple fix. Throughout my life, nothing will get solved without a proper accountable structure. Today, there are just people (too many people) populating the bureaucracy but there is fairly little identifiable and accountable structure that we can hold their feet to the fire. It needs to be completely torn down and rebuilt. Yes, a complete independent review of Metro will be at least a good step forward!!

It is not my intention to mix additional issues. However, the above is also true to all our local governments (under Metro Vancouver) as well. When questions asked, all we will get from the bureaucracy is deflection. Simple questions are often sidestepped with zero clarity. Further queries will be treated with silence. No one in the system will ever admit wrongs or faults as they are always right.

How much more money and time are we going to waste until we would wake up?

Mr. Premier and all, here is a simple question for you all. Can you identify an accountable structure in Metro Vancouver? If yes, why is it that the organization is so disorganized? If no, why aren't you taking actions? Either way, why are you taking no actions? In fact, ask all local governments if they all have an accountable structure consistent with the Local Governments Act....I already know the answer.

I do not expect a response or any responses from you folks although all my questions are very simple to answer. I will use this time to wish you all the best and Merry Christmas.

s. 22(1)

North Vancouver, BC

s. 22(1)

On Aug 9, 2025, at 10:15 AM, [REDACTED] s. 22(1) wrote:

Good morning Hon Block, [REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Before I give you my take on NSWWTTP, here is the thing.

If you go onto [Amazon.ca](https://www.amazon.ca) and look for a basketball, you will find them for less than \$20.

On GlobalNews last night, you now can get them free from vending machine in Surrey.

DO we have a basketball problem?

We don't.

If anyone wants to play basketball or soccer, they will find a way to play!!

This vending machine idea could only be another short lived fad pushed by some imbecilic "so called" professional.

Watching the news, it is just a way for a photo opportunity for Surrey local politician!!

You think about this for a moment.

For some \$20 basketballs, taxpayers have to either spend money on the vending machine or pay for all the periphery costs for installing and running them.

In no time, they would be all vandalized and replaced etc.

Even if they are all free, it will still be a way to syphon personal data which would be sold by the people running the apps and so on.

What is the real benefit for the aforementioned?

People today do not really want to think things through and get to the roots of problems.

The first thing is throwing money at it especially for public officials.

Now back to NSWWTTP, allow me to just say anyone who has some background in costing would be amazed by the professionalism exhibited by all involved in the project.

I have stated previously that only incompetency would explain the whole fiasco.

In Construction Cost Estimate (especially needed for project of this magnitude), a Class A Estimate would place the cost to be within 5-15% of actual cost.

One "reason" they did not use was fast tracking as this work has gone on for too long.

This simply implies no planning, no well thought out plans, were done. Spending even \$700M haphazardly is bonkers (over \$3.86B would make anyone's blood boil).

If we really wanted to demand transparency or accountability, we should absolutely demand a complete peer review of their competency.

That's my take on NSWWTTP and there is no other way about it.

With the way that our local governments not able to answer the simplest questions, we can only continue to do our best to make noises.

Transparency and accountability are just overuse adjectives that they do not fathom!!

Enjoy the sunny weekend.

TO GLOBALNEWS, we ran into Chris Gailus at Princeton and Osoyoos yesterday,

....please pass this onto him as our public officials lack accountability and competency as discussed.

s. 22(1)



North Vancouver, BC

s. 22(1)



On Aug 7, 2025, at 2:46 PM, Lynne Block
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West Vancouver-Capilano Constituency Newsletter

Summer Edition 2025



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A MESSAGE FROM MLA LYNNE BLOCK

Dear West Vancouver–Capilano Residents,

It is a privilege to serve as your MLA. This summer, I've continued to advocate for transparency, support local decision-making, and pursue practical solutions that reflect our community's needs. The conversations I've had with many of you at events, meetings, and through correspondence guide my work every day.

In the Legislature, I've been a strong voice for West Vancouver–Capilano, raising concerns about housing, transit, health care access, and education funding—always informed by the priorities you share.

I know rising living costs, housing pressures, health care waits, and growing demands on schools remain pressing challenges. Seniors want to stay in their homes, parents are searching for childcare, and renters face uncertain tenancy conditions. These issues require practical, balanced solutions.

I remain committed to standing up for our community—connecting residents with provincial services, offering responsive support, and advocating for solutions that reflect West Vancouver–Capilano's priorities.

As we enjoy the rest of this beautiful summer, I look forward to continuing conversations with you in the community. Your voices are at the heart of my work, and together we can ensure West Vancouver–Capilano remains one of the best places to live, work, and raise a family.

Sincerely,



Lynne Block
MLA for West Vancouver-Capilano
Official Opposition Critic for Education



KEY LOCAL ADVOCACY UPDATES



Balancing Housing Density with Community Priorities

I support increasing the availability and affordability of housing; however, growth must honour our community's voice and values. Housing is more than numbers- it's about protecting neighbourhood character, ensuring infrastructure keeps pace, and supporting families and seniors. Recent provincial housing density directives for Park Royal, Taylor Way, Ambleside, and Dundarave came with little consultation.

The province is sidelining local leaders and residents who've worked hard for balanced, sustainable growth that safeguards our environment and identity.

West Vancouver has a strong tradition of thoughtful, community-led planning. Projects like Cypress Village show the success of this engagement.

Together with Housing Critic MLA Linda Hepner, I'll continue advocating for strategies that prioritize community input, protect character, and deliver affordability supported by services.

Growth demands careful planning, transparency, and partnership.

[Read my press release here](#)

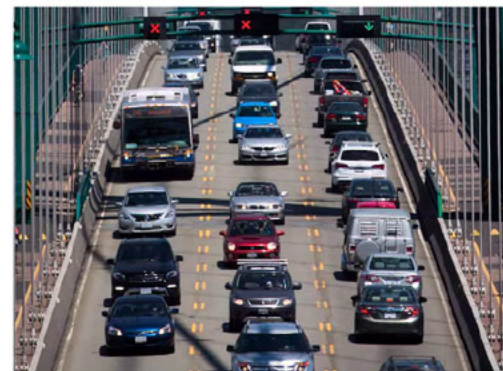
Fighting Traffic Congestion

Transit cuts and growing traffic congestion are making it harder for North Shore residents to get around safely and affordably.

A constituent shared how a five-minute trip to pick up their child from summer camp took three hours, with ambulances stuck beside them, sirens blaring.

This is a public safety crisis. Emergency vehicles can't do their jobs.

I am advocating for the immediate implementation of traffic solutions at critical bottlenecks, the acceleration of Bus Rapid Transit for the North Shore, effective planning for a new bridge, and strong provincial leadership to unite all stakeholders.



[Press Release on Density](#)



Demanding Transparency on the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant

I am raising concerns about the cancellation of Metro Vancouver's independent review of the North Shore Wastewater Treatment Plant project, which has now reached an estimated \$4 billion- well above the original \$700 million budget.

The key issue is that Premier David Eby and the provincial government have yet to use their authority under the Local Government Act to call a full public inquiry. As taxpayers, we deserve transparency and accountability. It is important that the government acts promptly to provide clear answers on this complex project.

Working closely with Critic for Municipal Affairs Tony Luck, I am pushing for clear communication and full accountability. We must restore public trust through transparency for future infrastructure projects.

[Read my press release here](#)

Supporting Property Owners Navigating Short-Term Rental Regulations:

As of May 1st, the provincial government introduced a new licensing system for short-term rentals. This change has created delays for many British Columbians looking to offer vacation options close to home.

In the District of West Vancouver, this issue is highlighted by challenges related to the Heritage Revitalization Act (HRA), which allows communities to preserve heritage homes by offering special permissions. To save these homes, West Vancouver created local regulations permitting certain heritage properties to be rented as short-term rentals. These local rules are often out of alignment with the new provincial licensing system.

My office continues to engage with local authorities and the Ministry of Housing to provide clear guidance for property owners. We advocate for balanced regulations that protect housing supply while respecting residents' rights to responsibly use their properties.

Press Release on WWTP

Housing and Annual Rent Increase Concerns

Like many communities across the province, housing remains one of the most pressing issues in our riding. One of the most common concerns we hear from constituents is around Annual Rental Increases (ARI) and how these impact affordability—especially for renters, seniors, and those on fixed incomes.

Our office regularly assists residents with:

- Unreasonable rent increases
- Evictions
- Disability-related housing accommodations
- Navigating the Residential Tenancy Branch (RTB) for dispute resolution
- MLA Block has also pushed the government to review the ARI issues in the legislature this past session

We continue to advocate for stronger renter protections and increased investments in affordable and seniors' housing to ensure that everyone has a safe and secure place to call home.

📞 Residential Tenancy Branch:
1-800-665-8779

🌐 [Visit the RTB Website](#)

Healthcare and Seniors Concerns

Seniors have given so much to our communities and deserve to age with dignity, safety, and independence. My office is proud to support seniors and their families by providing hands-on help with:

- Accessing long-term care and home support
- Navigating benefits and tax credits
- Securing disability and accessibility programs
- Connecting with local social support organizations

I continue to advocate for seniors' rights—focusing on tenancy protections, healthcare access, and financial security.

We've met with numerous seniors' groups and toured local residences including Inglewood, Westerleigh, and Amica. We also take part in Kiwanis seniors housing initiatives and regularly sit down with the West Vancouver Seniors Centre and community partners to plan for the future.

I've hosted coffee chats, meet and greets, and community forums, to hear directly from seniors—listening to their priorities, concerns, and ideas.

Supporting Education in British Columbia

As the Official Opposition Critic for Education, I regularly meet with school boards, educators, and parents to address urgent strains on our schools. I've had productive conversations with both West Vancouver and North Vancouver school boards focusing on long-term planning and the challenges facing our education system.

Some of the key challenges include:

- **Funding gaps:** Many districts lack adequate funding to support growing classroom and program demands.
- **Staff shortages:** Ongoing teacher and education assistant shortages leave many student needs unmet and reduce available supports. The 2025 BCTF survey shows 86% of teachers report increased class sizes, 88% face teacher shortages, and 87% say there aren't enough education assistants.
- **Support for diverse learners:** Over 80% of teachers say students with special needs do not receive sufficient support. I am pushing for increased funding for the Supported Child Development Program to help children with extra support needs fully participate in daycare.
- **Safety concerns:** Rising violence in schools, teacher burnout, and a high risk of educators leaving the profession demand urgent action.

I continue to advocate for increased, targeted funding; hiring more educators and assistants; enhanced resources for diverse learners; meaningful curriculum review; and practical measures to improve safety. Every student deserves a safe, inclusive, and well-supported learning environment.

BCTF 2025 Survey

The 2025 BCTF survey highlights significant concerns among teachers regarding inclusive education, mental health support, and chronic underfunding in British Columbia's public schools.



BCTF 2025 Survey

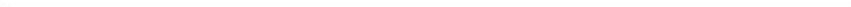
Community Spotlight

This summer, our community came alive with vibrant celebrations- from Canada Day and farmers' markets to youth awards, cultural festivals, and senior expos.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to the volunteers, local businesses, and organizations whose dedication makes these events possible.

Our office was proud to be part of the connection this season brought. We hosted booths at the West Vancouver Cultural Festival, the Ambleside Farmers Market, the Seniors' Activity Centre, and the West Vancouver Community Centre, and held meet-and-greet events at local libraries to hear directly from residents.

We also toured local food banks and rehabilitation centres, met with business leaders, and had productive conversations with the Mayors and Councils of both West and North Vancouver.



Resources & Contacts

Government Services

BC Ombudsperson

☎ 1-800-567-3247

🌐 bcombudsperson.ca

Service BC

☎ 1-800-663-7867

🌐 gov.bc.ca/servicebc

Service Canada

☎ 1-800-622-6232

🌐 servicecanada.gc.ca

WorkSafeBC

☎ 1-888-621-7233

🌐 worksafebc.com

ICBC Claims (Lower Mainland)

☎ 604-520-8222

🌐 icbc.com

Federal Representatives

Patrick Weiler, MP

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☎ 604-913-2660

Jonathan Wilkinson, MP

North Vancouver

✉ jonathan.wilkinson@parl.gc.ca

☎ 604-775-6333

Libraries & Recreation

Capilano Library

☎ 604-987-4471

🌐 nvdpl.ca

West Vancouver Memorial Library

☎ 604-925-7400

🌐 westvanlibrary.ca

West Van Recreation Centre

☎ 604-925-7270

🌐 westvancouver.ca

Local Governments

District of West Vancouver

☎ 604-925-7000

🌐 westvancouver.ca

District of North Vancouver

☎ 604-990-2311

🌐 dnv.org

City of North Vancouver

☎ 604-985-7761

🌐 cnv.org

Community & Non-Profit Resources

Harvest Project

☎ 604-983-9488

🌐 harvestproject.org

Hollyburn Community Services

☎ 604-987-8211

🌐 hollyburn.ca

Lookout Shelter – North Vancouver

☎ 604-982-9126

🌐 lookoutsociety.ca

BC SPCA (West Vancouver)

☎ 604-922-4622

🌐 spca.bc.ca



Resources & Contacts

Disability & Accessibility Services

BC Disability Benefits Helpline

☎ 1-866-866-0800
🌐 gov.bc.ca/disabilityassistance

North Shore Disability Resource Centre

☎ 604-985-5371
🌐 nsdrc.org

North Shore Connexions Society

☎ 604-984-9321
🌐 nsconnexions.org

Community Living BC – North Shore

☎ 604-981-0321
🌐 communitylivingbc.ca

North Shore Stroke Recovery Centre

☎ 604-984-3470
🌐 northshorestrokerescue.com

North Shore Deaf Children's Society

☎ 604-986-1511
🌐 deafchildren.ca

North Shore Therapeutic Riding Society

☎ 604-984-7331
🌐 northshoretherapeutic.com

Housing & Tenancy Support

BC Housing

☎ 604-433-2218
🌐 bchousing.org

Residential Tenancy Branch

☎ 1-800-665-8779
🌐 gov.bc.ca/landlordtenant

Tenant Resource & Advisory Centre

☎ 1-800-665-1185
🌐 tenants.bc.ca

BC Civil Resolution Tribunal

☎ 1-844-474-9770
🌐 civilresolutionbc.ca

Childcare & Family Programs

Child Care Subsidy Service Centre

☎ 1-888-338-6622
🌐 gov.bc.ca/childcaresubsidy

North Shore Neighbourhood House

☎ 604-987-8138
🌐 nsnh.bc.ca

Family Services of the North Shore

☎ 604-988-5281
🌐 familyservices.bc.ca

North Shore Child Care Resource & Referral (NS CCRR)

☎ 604-985-7138
🌐 nscr.ca/child-care

Capilano Community Services Society

☎ 604-988-7115
🌐 capservices.ca

North Shore Community Resources

☎ 604-985-7138
🌐 nscr.ca

Healthcare & Seniors' Services

HealthLink BC

☎ 811
🌐 healthlinkbc.ca

PharmaCare

☎ 1-800-663-7100
🌐 gov.bc.ca/pharmacare

Medical Services Plan (MSP)

☎ 604-683-7151
🌐 gov.bc.ca/msp

West Vancouver Seniors' Activity Centre

☎ 604-925-7280
🌐 westvancouver.ca

North Shore Community Resources

☎ 604-982-3302
🌐 nscr.ca/seniors

Hollyburn Family Services

☎ 604-987-8211
🌐 hollyburn.ca



Keep Cool This Summer

Stay safe during heatwaves by visiting these local cooling spots:

West Vancouver Memorial Library

1950 Marine Drive, West Vancouver | 604-925-7400

West Vancouver Community Centre

2121 Marine Drive, West Vancouver | 604-925-7270

West Vancouver Seniors' Activity Centre

695 21st Street, West Vancouver | 604-925-7280

Ambleside Park and Pavilion

1200 Marine Drive, West Vancouver | 604-925-7270

West Vancouver Recreation Centre

2121 Marine Drive, West Vancouver | 604-925-7270

NVPDL Library - Capilano Branch

3045 Highland Blvd, North Vancouver | 604-987-4471

For additional cooling centres during heat advisories, visit the District of West Vancouver website or call 604-925-7000.

Ambleside Farmers Market
Sunday, August 24 | 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Ambleside Park

Stop by our booth to say hello, ask questions, and learn about local issues and programs.

Coffee Chats

Watch for invitations to meet with me in your neighbourhood. These informal gatherings are a chance to share your feedback, concerns, and ideas directly.

Get Involved

Want to volunteer or support community initiatives? My office can connect you with non-partisan local opportunities that suit your interests.

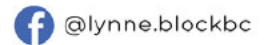
Stay Connected

Your input shapes the work I do at the Legislature and here at home. If you have questions, ideas, or need assistance, please reach out anytime. Together, we will continue to build a vibrant, safe, and prosperous West Vancouver–Capilano.

Share with your friends!

If you have friends or family living in our riding who would like to be added to our mailing list, please have them email us at lynne.block.mla@leg.bc.ca, and we'll be sure to keep them updated.

WEST VANCOUVER CAPILANO CONSUENCY OFFICE	604-981-0050
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From: s. 22(1)
Sent: Friday, February 13, 2026 2:14 PM
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Subject: Dogs on the Seawall.

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Hello.

I walk the seawall most days and have observed the following.

Ever since dogs were permitted to be on the paved walking area of the seawall, one has to keep a sharp lookout so as not to step in dog waste. Instead of just looking at the view, now one has to spend a lot of time also looking at the ground. This morning I counted 7 places to avoid stepping between 18th Street and 24th Street on the seawall. To be fair, some of those seven places were where people had already stepped in and tracked the waste, but none the less, not somewhere I would want to step in either.

Most of the dog owners I would say have their dogs leashed and pick up after their pets. I would even say that I don't think the vast majority of the offending owners are even aware of what Fido is doing. They are too busy either chatting with their friends or looking at their phones to notice.

A big part of the problem in my opinion are the retractable leashes. The owners are chatting away with their friends and Fido can be 25 feet or more behind them. I see this on a regular basis. No wonder Fido can relieve himself without the owners having the slightest bit of a clue.

And looking at Amazon 26 and 32 foot leashes are widely available.

From the dog owners perspective, I can see where it is nice to be able to walk their dog on the seawall. Years ago I had a dog. I found that when the dogs were in the fenced off dog run portion of the seawall, especially a narrow portion, a confrontation often occurred when 2 dogs came head on and had to get past one another. So I can see where they would prefer to walk with their dog beside them.

I would propose that the extendable dog leashes no longer be permitted on the seawall and see if that solves the problem. Failing that idea, I would propose going back to how it used to be with dogs prohibited from the human paved walkway portion of the seawall. It would be nice to go back to having it the clean walkway it used to be. I don't think anyone, dog owner or not, likes stepping in dog waste.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter,

s. 22(1)

West Vancouver, s. 22(1)

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From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
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Hello,

My name is [REDACTED] s. 22(1) and I have lived in West Van for just over a year. I would like to add my opinion on the proposed development at 6085 and 6093 Marine Drive.

At this stage in my life I can afford to live in a detached home in West Van but that was not always the case. If there were alternatives to detached homes in West Van I may have been able to move here sooner while my family was younger. On the other end of that, when I am older, I may want to downsize, but there are limited options in West Vancouver outside of aging apartment buildings predominantly located in Ambleside.

I think this area of Marine Drive could also use a bit of a freshen up and some upgrades which I believe this project would bring. To live in an affordable home near Seaview trail and the golf course seems like something we are missing in the region and would benefit multiple demographics.

I hope that in addition to this project, other tasteful and well thought out developments are considered to enable additional diversity to our great City.

Thank You,

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)
[REDACTED]
West Vancouver, BC

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 7:29 PM
To: correspondence
Subject: 6085 marine drive townhouses

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Dear West Vancouver Mayor and Council,

My husband and I are both writing to you today to support the townhouse development on Marine Drive by Seaview Trail.

My family and I have lived in West Vancouver for decades. We raised our three children here who all went to elementary and high school in West Vancouver. My husband [wife] and I still live in a large home but as we're getting older, we're thinking more and more about where we might want to move as our needs change.

A large house comes with a lot of responsibility and we're thinking about when the right time is to move on. At the same time, I do not wish to leave the community where I have spent most of my life.

That is why I support these townhouses being built.

Townhouses are an important housing option for people like me. I could still live in a neighbourhood but in a house of a more manageable in size. They also provide an alternative for older residents who may be living alone and looking to downsize while remaining close to friends, family, their doctor, and familiar surroundings.

Not everyone's needs are the same. Some seniors want to stay near their children and grandchildren. Others simply want a smaller, more practical home within the community they know. Some might want to move into a high-rise condo and others want to stay in their neighbourhood. Developments like this, that are small in scale provide more options, which is what every community needs.

Those of us who are thinking about our future needs are the generation that have invested decades into this community. We raised our children here, all of our connections are here, and we started businesses here. We want to stay in West Vancouver if we can.

This is the kind of development I support.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Wear vancouver

From: Da Vinci's Home <davincisonbellevue@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 9:35 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Christine Cassidy; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Mark Sager, Mayor
Subject: The Negative Impact of Pay Parking in Ambleside Park on the Commercial Businesses and Services
Attachments: Council Meeting Feb 9 2026.pdf

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Dear Mayor and Council

Thank you for your time on Feb 9 2026.
I have attached my presentation for your reference.

sincerely

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Da Vinci's Home
1461 Bellevue Ave
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Concerns Regarding Current Pay Parking System

Dear Mayor and Council,

My Name is Christin Fernandes. I am speaking to you once again as the owner of Da Vinci's Home, a member of the Ambleside business community for over 30yrs, to express my dismay regarding the pay parking system implemented in the park. Effected business owners have repeatedly raised concerns about the negative impact this policy has had on our operations and the wider commercial area.

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June 2024

Mayor Sager advised:

PLEASE, DON'T WORRY TOO MUCH ABOUT THE PARKING SITUATION, WE WOULD NOT DO ANYTHING WITHOUT LOTS OF DISCUSSION.

And Councillor Cassidy emailed:

District Staff is consulting with Ms. O'Brien of the ADBIA to ensure a solution to the Pay Parking issue that benefits both the District and the Business area. The District is fully committed to ensuring a vibrant, financially successful business area. Please stay engaged as discussions on this matter proceed.

As Spring approaches, we anticipate a surge in park attendance. Since Sept 2025, experience has shown that many park visitors will continue to use free commercial parking, located mere steps away from pay parking, intensifying the strain on local businesses, already facing significant financial pressures.

As a personal example, my monthly rent s. 22(1). With staffing and all the other costs associated with running a business, my sales break even s. 22(1) ... and that's before I pay myself. Regardless of how hard I work, or how much I invest in my store, I won't remain viable if customers continue to bypass us, because they cannot find parking.

With respect, 'Survival of the fittest' is not a sound economic policy. Ambleside needs more than banks, gas stations, real estate and professional offices. Small independent businesses are essential to building a healthy, dynamic and welcoming community hub. Empty spaces do not impact the District's revenue stream, since landlords continue to pay the property tax, regardless. Residents will, however, take note as the heart and essence of Ambleside slowly gets hollowed out.

We ask council to PLEASE put the current pay parking policy on *Hold* and to work with the ADBIA, because, as community stakeholders, we need to be part of the solution. However, If Council has an alternate vision for how you see Ambleside evolving, please tell us now so we can plan accordingly and keep our options open, as leases come up for renewal.

I look forward to your response and a constructive dialogue regarding the future of parking and business support in West Vancouver.

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Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 7:33 PM
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Subject: Parking
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David Jones

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West Vancouver, BC

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And Business at 1445 Bellevue Avenue, West Vancouver, BC V7T 1C3



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Mayor Sager, I came across an email you sent me when you and I were on the ADBIA Board together in 2021. You said “You are right pay parking would kill small business in our community. This issue has been debated many times over the years!” Well, you were right!

I have spent over 10 years as a business owner and resident fighting for the parking in the Ambleside Business Area, the never ending attack on Ambleside Business Parking by the district has been exhausting.

In 2016, the District planned to close Argyle Avenue from 13th to 18th to build a “Spirit Trail”. I informed the public about this plan and collected over 4000 signatures from residents opposing this plan. The initiative was partially defeated but later that year, Argyle Avenue between 13th and 14th was closed for a temporary pilot project, it is still closed 9 years later.

Then, in 2019 the District planned to remove all the parking on both sides of Marine Drive from 13th to 25th to operate a B-Line Bus service. After a significant fight from businesses and residents this initiative was defeated.

On September 15th 2025 the district implemented pay parking in Ambleside Park causing substantial loses for Ambleside Businesses, and frustration from residents, now here we are.

Our residents cannot find parking in the Ambleside Business Area because it is full of park goers, sports families, employees and seawall walkers all avoiding the pay parking in Ambleside Park. It should be noted that the lack of any parking enforcement in Ambleside is also a major problem.

It is important that you understand that the relationship between the West Vancouver business community and West Vancouver residents is a

“symbiotic” relationship where residents benefit from the businesses, and the businesses benefit from the residents. When you remove parking availability from the business areas you are not only hurting the businesses but the residents who use these businesses and services. It might be a doctor’s office, dental office, cheese shop, framing gallery or a restaurant but they all need adequate parking to attract the residents, and our residents need the parking to use the businesses and services.

When an entrepreneur decides to locate in West Vancouver, it is because he or she believes the community will want the goods or services they plan to offer. They invest in our community, enhance it and make it a nicer place to live. They lease a space, build it out, hire staff, and invest their time and money and pay their taxes to make the lives of our constituents better and all they ask from the District of West Vancouver is sufficient parking for their clients, our residents.

A commercial area with inadequate parking is doomed to fail and for over 2 years I have been warning you what would happen if you implemented Pay Parking in Ambleside Park and what I warned you would happen, has, so let’s fix this problem!

Please postpone pay parking in Ambleside Park until such time businesses, sports groups, the ADBIA and the district have enough time to create a solution that works for all stakeholders and makes West Vancouver a better place to live.

West Vancouver’s Mayor & Council need to focus on solving problems not creating them.

From: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2026 9:41 PM
To: correspondence
Subject: Destination Parks - Resident Pass Appreciation

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Dear Mayor and Council,

I want to say how grateful our family has been since pay parking was first introduced with passes being made readily available to residents. Living in the Cedardale neighbourhood, my family viewed the pass as an incentive to get out and about in enjoying Lighthouse, Whyte Lake/Nelson Canyon, Whytecliff, Cypress Falls and Seaview Walk Parks.

With the introduction of pay parking at Ambleside Park, our resident pass has provided certain parking space before beginning our recreational, sporting or business activities on any day of the week.

I appreciate that modest revenues generated by those visiting and who, for the first time or finally, are contributing financially towards upkeep costs within our District.

Sincerely,

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[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

West Vancouver, BC

[REDACTED] s. 22(1)

From: Valeriotte.MLA, Jeremy <Jeremy.Valeriotte.MLA@leg.bc.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2026 3:47 PM
To: Scott Findlay; correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor
Subject: RE: West Vancouver council meeting with MLA Valeriotte

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Hello,

Following up on the following request for upcoming opportunities that MLA Valeriotte could attend a West Vancouver Council meeting in 2026 to provide a regional update. Is there staff member that I can connect with to help coordinate a date?

Best wishes,
Paige Calvert

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Constituency Office,
Jeremy Valeriotte MLA - West Vancouver-Sea To Sky,
Phone: 778 655 5768

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From: Valeriotte.MLA, Jeremy
Sent: Thursday, January 22, 2026 11:56 AM
To: 'sfindlay@westvancouver.ca' <sfindlay@westvancouver.ca>
Cc: 'mark@westvancouver.ca' <mark@westvancouver.ca>
Subject: West Vancouver council meeting with MLA Valeriotte

Hello Scott,

I hope this message finds you well. Reaching out to determine upcoming opportunities that MLA Valeriotte could attend a West Vancouver Council meeting in 2026. If you could please share a couple of dates for consideration, I can check against his calendar and confirm.

Warm regards,
Paige Calvert

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From: Engineering Department
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2026 2:08 PM
To: wrpurcell@telus.net
Cc: correspondence
Subject: RE: Request to Pause Pay Parking at Ambleside Park

Hello Bill,

Thank you for your email and for taking the time to share your feedback about the new pay parking program at Ambleside Park. It has been received by Council and forwarded to staff for response.

Council approved the introduction of pay parking at Ambleside Park as part of a broader strategy to help manage parking demand, improve turnover, and support the long-term maintenance of parks. Staff recognize that Ambleside Park is a unique location that serves multiple users, including beach visitors, sports groups, volunteers, and nearby businesses, and that balancing these needs is complex.

With respect to organized sports and volunteers, Council has responded to feedback from stakeholders in a number of ways. Most recently, Council directed staff to establish the *Community Partner Parking Pass* program that offers a significantly reduced-cost monthly parking permit for non-resident volunteers, coaches, officials and staff who regularly contribute their time to eligible local sports organizations. The pass was made available to organizations as of January 5, 2026, and is specifically intended to remove financial barriers for volunteers and staff whose dedication enables community sport to thrive.

Staff continue to monitor parking occupancy, impacts to surrounding commercial areas, and feedback from park users and organized groups. Adjustments have been made over time in response to operational observations and community feedback. The information will help inform any future improvements to the program.

Staff are preparing to report back to Council in the spring with an update on Ambleside Park pay parking implementation.

We appreciate you taking the time to share your perspective. Community feedback plays an important role in assessing how the program is functioning and where improvements may be needed.

Sincerely,

Steven Liu
Staff Lead, Pay Parking Programs
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From: Bill Purcell <wrpurcell@telus.net>
Sent: Monday, February 9, 2026 9:09 AM
To: correspondence
Cc: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; Nora Gambioli; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; Sharon Thompson; Linda Watt
Subject: Request to Pause Pay Parking at Ambleside Park

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To: Mayor Mark Sager and Members of Council

District of West Vancouver

750 17th Street

West Vancouver, BC V7V 3T3

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am a 55 year West Vancouver resident, and I generally *like* paid parking because finding a space is easier. I especially enjoy shopping and going to appointments in North Van more now because of that. I also enjoy *not* paying for parking in West Van, but as a long time member of the West Vancouver Field Hockey Club, I must say the unique nature of Ambleside makes this paid parking policy frustrating for many and, I think for the good of the commercial and recreational stakeholders, there needs to be an adjustment.

It seems to me that there was perhaps a lack of meaningful consultation, and as a result and unfortunate unintended consequence; a majority of the community turning against what should be a welcome policy change.

On many days, parking lots at the beach and sports fields sit largely empty, while the adjacent commercial area is congested and parking is scarce. This is frustrating and discouraging for residents, and very harmful to the Ambleside business community.

It also unfairly targets sport groups who provide a vital service to the community. As a member of West Vancouver Field Hockey Club it makes no sense to have some members paying steep (and changing) rates for their practice or game while West Van residents are exempt. We should all be treated in a fair and reasonable manner. The WVFHC, as I'm sure you know, draws players from West and North Vancouver. We, as club members and North Shore residents, are proud to have developed the biggest and most successful field hockey club in North America. Of course our players, from ages 6 to 80, welcome clubs from all over the lower mainland, for games, and many of our member players come from North Vancouver for practices and games. You are probably aware that the result is hundreds of people looking for free parking in the nearby residential and commercial areas. If you haven't received complaints from nearby residents and businesses, you will, loudly and soon.

Our club also depends on volunteers and part-time coaches who travel from across the North Shore. These individuals are now expected to pay in order to volunteer—an unreasonable burden and one not

imposed by any other field hockey club in the region. Rutledge Field is the only municipal field hockey pitch in Metro Vancouver with paid parking, and this is already discouraging participation in games and events.

Ambleside Park's unique location—combining a beach and sports fields and adjacent to a commercial district—demands thoughtful, collaborative planning. It is concerning that such a significant change was implemented without consulting the groups most directly affected.

As this is an election year, I think it's a perfect time to show the thoughtful leadership you have on many other policy issues, by listening and responding to community needs. I urge you to immediately pause paid parking at Ambleside Park until proper community consultation is completed and a fair, workable plan is in place.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your ongoing service to the residents of West Vancouver.

Sincerely,

Bill Purcell

1070 Aubeneau Crescent

West Vancouver, British Columbia V7T 1T5

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From: Engineering Department
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2026 1:34 PM
To: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Cc: correspondence
Subject: RE: Bellevue Parking

Hello [REDACTED] s. 22(1)

Thank you for your email and for taking the time to share your feedback about the new pay parking program at Ambleside Park. Your correspondence has been received by Council and forwarded to staff for response.

The introduction of pay parking at Ambleside Park was intended to better manage high seasonal demand, improve turnover, and reduce long-term congestion associated with beach and waterfront use. The objective is to encourage availability and access, not to discourage visitors from supporting local businesses. Staff are monitoring parking patterns on Bellevue Avenue, Marine Drive, and adjacent residential streets to better understand possible spillover effects.

Enforcement in time-restricted areas is ongoing, and operational adjustments are made as needed to support turnover and access for businesses and their customers. The District's Bylaw Services team is actively monitoring the Ambleside business district to support turnover and ensure compliance with posted time restrictions. Enforcement presence and patrol patterns are adjusted based on observed conditions and community feedback.

Council also recognizes that ease of payment is important, particularly for seniors and those who may be less comfortable with mobile technology. Pay stations are available in key locations, and staff continue working to ensure signage and instructions are clear and accessible.

Staff are preparing to report back to Council in the spring with an update on Ambleside Park pay parking implementation. Feedback received will be considered as part of the program's ongoing evaluation.

Thank you for taking the time to share your perspectives. Community input remains an important component in assessing how the program is functioning and where improvements may be appropriate.

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From: [REDACTED] s.22(1)
Sent: Saturday, February 7, 2026 6:46 PM
To: Mark Sager, Mayor; Christine Cassidy; ngambioli@westvancouver.ca; Peter Lambur; Scott Snider; sthompson@westvancouver.ca; Linda Watt; correspondence
Cc: [REDACTED] s. 22(1)
Subject: Bellevue Parking

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Dear Honourable Mayor Sager and West Vancouver Councillors,

I am writing as both a North Shore small business owner and [REDACTED] s.22(1) resident of Ambleside in addition to having been born and raised in West Vancouver.

The parking situation on Bellevue in the Ambleside area has become untenable and we are seeing Ambleside small businesses continue to suffer from people not being able to park anywhere close to their business.

As a small business owner, I can't begin to tell you the challenges small business owners have faced since Covid. From post-covid economic slow down, the increased cost of living, extremely high rents and property taxes, high inflation and now lack of access as the result of parking policies

Bellevue has always been a challenge to park on as people park there to walk the seawall or enjoy Ambleside Beach but now that Ambleside Beach has pay parking, people are parking more on Bellevue and Marine Drive and staying much longer than 1 to 2 hours. The many times a day I drive down either Marine or Bellevue, I have not seen any parking enforcement to give people tickets who are staying longer than they should. Making one area pay parking but not others does not make sense as it pushes people to find free parking blocks away. As well, seniors struggle with pay parking these days from the extremely awkward parking payment machines to parking apps, it's beyond many of our senior's technical abilities and causes stress. All of these issues are a result of West Vancouver's recent parking policy decisions.

Record numbers of long-term small businesses have and are going out of business across Canada and in BC due to the challenges mentioned above. We know statistically that small businesses are the backbone of the Canadian economy and bring local jobs and money invested directly back into the community they are present in. Poor policy decisions and lack of economic development by local governments are piling on the already brutal challenges we face and may be the nail in the coffin for some of our local businesses. Ambleside can be a sought-after shopping destination and I want to see more boutiques, gift stores, speciality food markets, galleries and coffee shops as opposed to banks, currency exchanges, mail salons and medi spas. We need character in our West Vancouver Villages and West Vancouver should be doing everything they can to support small business especially as we do not have an industrial tax base or very large commercial tax base. We know that industrial and commercial taxes add much more to the annual budget for much less service use than residential property taxes so which are policies such as they pay parking at Ambleside Beach and lack of parking enforcement on

Bellevue, Marine Drive and the side streets not being enforced to ensure everyone can get access to our local small businesses?

We love DaVinci's, Graydon's, Romantique, Leslie Jane, Aburi Market and the other local businesses and want to see them not just survive but thrive.

Your prompt attention to the parking situation is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

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From: Engineering Department
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2026 1:36 PM
To: wvcs2019@gmail.com
Cc: correspondence
Subject: RE: Did we elect a council or ImPark?

Hello Nigel,

Thank you for your email and for taking the time to share your feedback about the new pay parking program at Ambleside Park. Your correspondence has been received by Council and forwarded to staff for response.

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From: Wvcs2019 <wvcs2019@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 9, 2026 9:31 AM
To: correspondence; Mark Sager, Mayor; Linda Watt; Scott Snider; Christine Cassidy; Sharon Thompson; Peter Lambur; Nora Gambioli
Subject: Did we elect a council or ImPark?

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Mayor and Council,

The West Vancouver Community Stakeholders recently conducted a survey asking for feedback on pay parking.

First and most importantly, 97% of the responses came from West Vancouver residents, so this is very much local feedback. Survey results attached

Here's what we heard:

- Only 22% support pay parking in destination parks
- 92% do not support a \$5.50 rate in any of our parks
- 80% do not support pay parking in Ambleside Park at all
- 76% do not support expanding pay parking into Argyle, John Lawson Park, or Dunderave Park
- 81% do not support pay parking in commercial areas at all
- 66% feel parking should be free for residents
- The remaining 34% would prefer an annual pass, a reduced fee, or one consistent rate for everyone

The message from the community is pretty clear. There is strong opposition to both the current pricing and the idea of expanding pay parking into neighbourhood parks and commercial areas. People are especially concerned about Ambleside Park and the spillover impacts this is having on nearby streets and local businesses.

We understand the District is looking for ways to manage parking and generate revenue, and we're not saying those conversations shouldn't happen. But this feedback shows that the current approach doesn't reflect what residents and community stakeholders are asking for.

We're asking Council to slow this down, take a step back, and work with residents, businesses, and community groups before moving any further.

No engagement, Just Payment..... Welcome to West Vancouver

Thank you for taking the time to read this and for considering what the community is saying

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Pay Parking in Destination Parks has collected 156 responses

All responses Question 1: Do you live in West Vancouver? Question 2: Do you support pay parking in West Vancouver destination parks? Question 3: Do you support the current rate of \$5.50 per hour? Question 4: Are you a member of the Destination Parks?

Question 1 has 155 answers (Radio buttons)



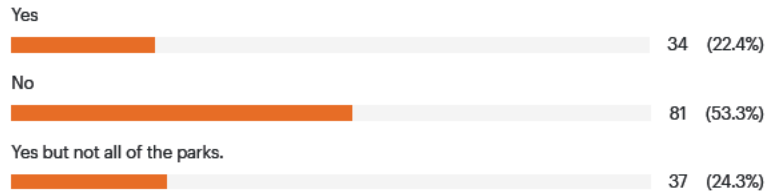
"Do you live in West Vancouver? "



Question 2 has 152 answers (Radio buttons)



"Do you support pay parking in West Vancouver destination parks? "



Question 3 has 153 answers (Radio buttons)



"Do you support the current rate of \$5.50 per hour? "



Question 4 has 154 answers (Radio buttons)



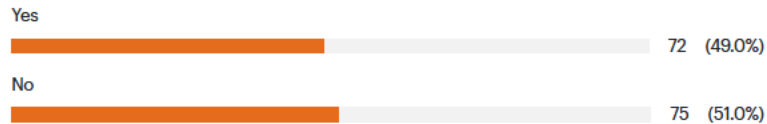
"Do you support pay parking in Ambleside Park given the concerns from community sports organizations about the impact on youth teams and organizations from outside the District having to pay up to \$5.50?"



Question 5 has 147 answers (Radio buttons)



"As of November 1st, the District lowered the rate in Ambleside Park to \$2.50 until May 31st. Do you support this lower rate in Ambleside Park of \$2.50 per hour all year long?"



Question 6 has 150 answers (Radio buttons)



"Do you support seasonal paid parking in our destination parks (example: free November 1st to May 1st)?"



80 (53.3%)

Question 7 has 156 answers (Radio buttons)



"Do you support expanding paid parking on Argyle Avenue, John Lawson Park and Dundarave Park?"

Yes

37 (23.7%)

No

119 (76.3%)

Question 8 has 154 answers (Radio buttons)



"Do you support paid parking in the commercial areas of Ambleside and Dundarave?"

Yes

30 (19.5%)

No

124 (80.5%)

Question 9 has 149 answers (Radio buttons)



"Which approach do you prefer for paid parking in our parks?"

No charge for residents.

99 (66.4%)

Reduced or nominal hourly fee for residents.

2 (1.3%)

Annual pass for residents.

28 (18.8%)

Same fee for all users.

Question 10 has 77 answers (Open text)

"Comments or suggestions:"

s. 22(1) said:

"Residents pay enough taxes. A lower parking fee for all out of district people should be put into affect for parks. "

s. 22(1) said:

"I do NOT support paid parking in West Vancouver's parks other than Whytecliff Park where some visitors tend to spend all day there, which is annoying to everyone. Families from specific cultures or ethnicities get there early in the day and stay all day, occupying picnic tables all day long. It's not fair to other park visitors who might like to use those tables! Pay parking should definitely be in effect there. More importantly, the day-long use of the limited supply of picnic tables should somehow be discouraged. Non-residents of West Vancouver are at fault here.

I do NOT appreciate the "trick questions" in this survey, especially the last question, which assumes that we DO accept paid parking. "Which approach do you prefer for paid parking in our parks?" This kind of trick question shows a dire lack of respect for public opinion. How dare you ask these trick questions? It's an insult to the intelligence of residents and the public!!!! WV City Council also asked these kinds of trick questions when they mandated the plan for West Vancouver. It's underhanded and morally corrupt!"

s. 22(1) said:

"It's a money grab and is ruining the community. WELL DONE"

s. 22(1) said:

"I think \$5.50/hour is outrageous for parking. There are a lot of people who can't afford to pay for entertainment and the parks are a way to get outdoors with their kids. If parking has to be charged then make it affordable, ie \$1.50/hour and charge for parking on Marine drive and Bellevue as well. North Van has adopted pay parking on Lonsdale and the side streets but the cost is very reasonable."

s. 22(1) said:

"FIRST HOUR FREE! What's wrong with you guys!? See what NVan did and do the same...why do we have to be different?"

s. 22(1) said:

"one of the things I like most about West Van is the free Parking. It's just so upscale and once of the nicer things in life. In a busy metropolis, it's part of what makes west van nicer than the rest! "

s. 22(1) said:

"I live near Dunderave park and object to being the only residential street with pay parking. "

Unknown contact said:

"Pay parking is part of the WEF 15 minute city plan...once another 10,000 people are "dropped" on native land at Park Royal and on private property in Ambleside [Village by the sea]...cars will be banned... and you will be on the bus or on a bicycle...WEF tell you what there doing...you will own nothing and be happy...and eat the bugs..."

s. 22(1) said:

"As a North Shore, if not a West Van resident, I view the increase in cars all over greater Vancouver with dismay. But is turning the municipalities into giant parking lots the way to go? Maybe if the revenue goes towards buses, trains and ferries? Thank you."

s. 22(1) said:

"First of all it's a source of revenue for the municipality, and it will be expanded as they and council see what it brings in. In North Vancouver as in other cities there is paid parking in many commercial ares but the first half hour is free , that seems to be a reasonable compromise. I don't see why given the number of keen by law people we have that we need to hire a parking authority to supervise over due parking. And most importantly the app used should work for the user/driver not only the parking company. The teething problems of the Impark parking system are well known and very annoying."

Resident said:

"Why all the fuss about Ambleside when very little, almost none, was made about other parks to the west. Seems like money talks again."

s. 22(1) said:

"You are killing Ambleside Park. With the taxes we pay, parks must be free. Part of our heritage"

s. 22(1) said:

"Our common welfare should come first and depends upon unity we need to think about the bussiness, sports, older people, children residents os West Vancouver and visitors"

s. 22(1) said:

"Strict enforcement of over 2 hour parking in business area. Hire any age by law officers"

s. 22(1) said:

"Paid Parking has increased parking congestion in residential areas. It is not a good thing."

s. 22(1) said:

"I hope the elected officials start listening to their voting public. Some make all kinds of suggestions and promises before becoming elected and then once in office seem to deviate from those promises."

s. 22(1) said:

"Paid parking was an "own goal" by WV council.
It is way past time for councillors to focus on reducing significantly the fat in city staffed programs. Watch any of the road, sewer or water projects. How many staff, how many actually working vs observing? How many flag people? How many hours workers sit in their vehicles? Size and newness of city fleet? Tax per household has passed the point of affordability especially as house prices flatten and decline. "

s. 22(1)

"rate should be lowered to \$1.50/hr"

s. 22(1) said:

"Pay parking has just pushed people onto the streets or parking lots. Eg Fresh Street market."

s.22(1) said:

"every action has an equal and opposite reaction"

exactly where did the council think the cars will park, for a fee or for free"

s. 22(1)

"Keep parking FREE for residents - we already pay the highest homeowner tax in the Lower Mainland, have a high percentage of older and mobility limited residents who have difficulty locating payment machines. Governments at all levels seem to be simultaneously demanding more while providing less - as an example, I have noticed that in our area, roadsweeping has been discontinued, and thus streets are littered with debris which has laid there since last November!"

s. 22(1) :

"Answer -WV city hall should cut all salaries by 20%.

A tax revolt rebellion is coming.

s. 22(1)

Unknown contact said:

"It is healthy for a community to go out to their local neighbourhood parks, stores, shops, restaurants and coffee shops. This facilitates a happy community with a strong bond. However, the thought of having to pay for parking in your community, irrespective of the amount even, is a huge deterrent. I find that my family avoid the struggle to find free parking or going through the pay parking (and watching the clock). We just travel a little further to more "user-friendly" locations or just stay at home.

Moreover, the parks seem to stay the same, whether there is a parking fee or not. I think our parks are reasonable as is anyway. So, why the extra income and having to appoint another official?"

s. 22(1) said:

"Evidence supports that businesses are suffering due to those who wish not to pay for parking in the parks using street or residential spaces instead. Who gains ? Is crushing business more important than parking fee profit? Evidently!
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Resident said:

"How much of the \$\$ collected by the parking levy actually end up in the Muni's coffers? The text in the WVCS email doesn't specifically state whether the amount collected are gross dollars or if they are net to the Muni. The \$5.50 must include a cut for Impark and there also is a 29% Translink parking tax that must be included. How much of the total collected actually reaches the Muni? "

s. 22(1)

"No paid parking anywhere at anytime. We need to encourage possible clients to shop in West Vancouver and not go to Park Royal for free parking. Free parking is our only advantage to compete with Park Royal.

Last question is wrong and should have said I do not want any paid parking in any park or area in West Vancouver."

Unknown contact said:

"The only way to fix the problem is to charge for parking everywhere including parks, commercial streets and lots as even without pay parking in the parks it is difficult to find parking in Ambleside or Dunderave. That way everyone is treated equally, municipal revenue is up, and visitors from outside WV may not stay parked all day in the parks, opening up spaces for residents to use the parks they pay for. "

s. 22(1) said:

" I live s. 22(1) , people park there all day to take buses, there is no time limit , making it difficult for residence or visitors parking so I support a restricted parking bylaw..."

Unknown contact said:

- "1. Use the Passport app like City of North Van - reasonable cost, keeps parking spots turning over & easy to use.
2. Pay Parking should be the same rate in the parks and the commercial districts.
3. STOP free parking for residents in parks and commercial areas. This makes West Van sound unwelcoming & elitist and is likely costly to administer.
4. Institute an Annual Parking Permit for residents who want to park for more than 3 hours on the street throughout West Van. In my neighbourhood of West Van, we have to pay about \$28 per year to park in front of our house overnight. Use City of North Van model.

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s. 22(1) said:

"My family lives in North Vancouver. Pay parking is ridiculous to visit Ambleside and walk the sea wall. Even more ridiculous when festivals or events are taking place. Business owners also suffer consequences. "

s. 22(1) said:

"Reduced rates for non residents"

s. 22(1) said:

"Increase the areas of paid parking immediately and continue with free parking for WV residents given we pay for the maintenance through taxes. I support exemptions on a case by case basis. "

Unknown contact said:

"I would like to see paid parking only in Lighthouse Park. The current situation in Ambleside and Dunderave is bad, especially for local businesses. The muni has created a problem, not solved one."

s. 22(1) said:

"I do not support paid parking in West Vancouver.

We are lucky to have lovely parks and walks and I think everybody should be able to enjoy free parking."

s. 22(1) said:

"First hour free-helps merchants.2nd hour onwards 2.50/hr with W.Van residents exemption. Manage with app similar to N.Van Passport app"

s. 22(1) said:

"There is paid parking everywhere around Lonsdale now so we are not doing anything that is not done elsewhere. We need to get paid when people come to our WV parks and leave their garbage, use our supplied doggy bags, etc. You have to pay to park on streets in other areas so people need to get over it. Sports teams - well WV residents either have their annual pass or get reduced rates (I agree with that either way) and the visitors have to pay or they can walk or take the bus. Or they can go somewhere else. Shoppers will get used to it."

Unknown contact said:

"There should be no charge for residents of West Vancouver period. If the City wants to assist local businesses with foot traffic, they should be enabling customers to have places to park without charge. If not, consumers will go down the road to Park Royal where parking is free. The small local businesses will lose out to large chain's that could care less about community etc. Keeping in mind the Park Royal shift will create even more chaotic traffic issues to get on and off the NS from the Lions Gate Bridge. Gov't must understand that every action has a reaction whether its immediate or down the road and it seems current admin's at both Prov and Mayoral level often forget this simple rule of thumb.

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s. 22(1) said:

"We would like to support local merchants in Dundarave and Ambleside. and feel that charging for parking will mean that people will go to Park Royal where parking is free.

"

S. said:

"Lighthouse Park has improved immensely since paid parking but I think the rate is too high, Seaview has not improved, Ambleside and Dundarave street parking is nearly impossible on fair weather days so residents have to shop on other days. If one has a doctor/dentist/physio appointment (who don't have designated parking) one might be hooped. Not fair on the elderly, halt and lame. Council needs to sit down and THINK again

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s. 22(1) said:

"I dislike paying for parking anywhere."

s. 22(1) said:

"I do not support paid parking anywhere in the Ambleside area. Especially Ambleside Park. It is a sports and recreation space and as we encourage people of all ages to be more active, paid parking becomes a deterrent for many. I also live in the Ambleside area very close to the park will limited parking on my street as it is. Paid parking only encourages people to find "free parking" on these residential streets. Paid parking does not affect residents in the area equally. The closer you are to the park the higher the chance you will not be able to park in front of your own house. So all taxpayers are NOT treated equally. The farther up the hill the less likely it is that people will park there. We only have to look at the impact of parking on residential streets during major events at Ambleside. Concerts, cultural events, Harmony Arts Festival (all terrific events). I expect parking issues during these times but if this is yearly or seasonal long parking issue then that presents a problem for local residents and businesses. I did say yes to the question of pay parking in Smbleside being \$2.50 an hour ONLY because if it is inevitable that pay parking stays, I truly believe that \$5.50 is far too high. I think \$2.50 is better but too high. \$2.00 an hour would be more reasonable. "

s. 22(1) said:

"Maybe pay parking for lighthouse park in summer but it's a slippery slope with their foot in the door of " free revenue". Just another form of taxation inflicted upon the commercial retailers. "

s. 22(1) said:

"More people. Same resources. Paid parking ensure a steady rotation of business patrons. Many studies exists and city of Vancouver has paid parking pretty much everywhere. It is unpopular, just like taxes, but necessary, effective and fair.
Steam ahead and disregard sentiment. Beautiful parks deserve to be preserved for residents and visitors alike and we can't make more of them. "

Resident said:

"Parking should be free to residents and all additional income for parking to support improvements and maintenance of parks. Maybe even just all of it goes to waste water treatment plant. Money should be clearly directed toward specific items not just general revenue for city"

s. 22(1) said:

"Of course residents want more paid parking to keep the riff raff away. North van people don't have the resident reduction on parking at parks in North Van. Why do we feel so superior here in west Van? "

s. 22(1) said:

"I would support the type of pay parking where I could add to the parking fee on an app for things like professional services ie; doctors office, physio, hair salon which takes 2.5 hours. There should be a maximum stay of 3 hours but start with a choice of one hour at 2.50. "

s. 22(1) said:

"Revenue is small compared to the District's total budget. And it will affect parking availability at businesses and services. Now they are talking about hiring a person to administer this. What a waste!"