WEST VAN MATTERS

2012 Ccl NOTES Dec 3rd, 10th, & Dec 12th; Calendar to Dec 31st+ (some to Jan 20) Budget • Waterfront • Rezoning WVFlorist/Walker • Hollyburn Lodge • PSB

~~~ A very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year! ~~~

- NO AGENDA till next year (comes out late Jan 10 for Jan 14 mtg)! Ccl Mtg Dec 12 was just for adoption == Lease/Sell Survey; Vive le Canada (MP May); from the EDITOR'S DESK; UPDATES & INFO (MHall; Amb tree)
- = CALENDAR to Dec 31+ Jan 20: CULTUREWATCH (Theatre; Art; Music; Opera)
- = HIGHLIGHTS DEC 10 (rushed out quasi-headsup b/c v busy as well as Mtgs/Survey)
- = HEADSUP 23A (Culturewatch; M-watch; keep the tree green)

= Ccl MTG NOTES:

- o Dec 3 -- Annual Reports: SAC Adv Bd and Gleneagles CC Adv Cmte; Rutledge Field seating; Gleneagles sound barrier; Budget 2013/Five-Yr Financial Plan; Arts Ctr; Amb Waterfront; PSB \$\$\$
- Dec 10 -- Battery Recycling; BUDGET; Coach Houses; WV Florist Rezoning; Walker Bldg Rezoning (no CBs recommended!); PSB Funding; Hollyburn Lodge Restoration Funding Strategy; rest of mtg tabled to Wed.
- o Dec 12 -- **PSB Funding**; 2013 Ccl Mtg Schedule (with Cmtes of the Whole, mtgs ev Monday!); **BUDGET**

= Ccl AGENDAs nope; next ccl mtg Jan 14

a NIMALWATCH (hippos/crocodiles; eagles; otters); INFObits (Port Mann Bridge; Death by Guns); PHOTOWATCH (45 powerful images 2012); ROYALWATCH (Queen's Christmas Msg); CPTWATCH (Hebron Reflections); PEACE?WATCH (Bibi's Chutzpah); BOOKWATCH (NYT Notable Books 2012; Ms of Cats; Book News); LANGUAGEWATCH (Ithkuil); SPELLINGWATCH; PRONUNCIATIONWATCH (000!); WORDWATCH (ostrobogulous); HERITAGEWATCH; MAIKU; SALMAGUNDI (Christmas Story by NZ kids; Landfillharmonic), QUOTATIONS/THOUGHTS/PUNS, JOKES

#### YOUR OPINION on 1300block MARINE DRIVE -- LEASE OR SALE ?

#### lease1300@westvan.org OR sell1300@westvan.org

**Email your choice (above), lease or sell.** If you have already done so, pls ask your family, friends, colleagues to do so. If we haven't lawyers/staff/personnel expert, intelligent, skilled enough to negotiate leasing, then buy other land from the money from the sale to replace thus maintaining our land bank assets! PLEASE, Ccl.

#### == Vive le CANADA ===

**Green Party MP Elizabeth May has just been voted Parliamentarian of the Year by her fellow MPs**. She is a 58year-old lawyer, divorced mother of one, stepmother of three, and author of seven books. This party of one works 12 - 16 hours a day, flies economy, has spent only 2/3 of her allowable personal claim, and has spoken in the Commons 146 times to Harper's 92. Absolutely incredible -- read all about her: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elizabeth\_May or read Barbara Yaffe's Dec 12 column:

http://www.vancouversun.com/technology/Barbara+Yaffe+Will+Elizabeth+tireless+work+translate+into+more+Green/7689292/story.html

#### === from the EDITOR'S DESK ===

Oh, as they say in the software industry (out of frustration I'm sure), there comes a time to shoot the developer and ship the product.

So here's the last newsletter of the year, cobbled together in fits and starts and with errors and omissions of course. As ever, pls point them out so the printed version and/or the version on the website is better. My best wishes for a very merry Christmas to all of you; and then for a very HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Isn't it great to be part of this beautiful cmnty!

## === UPDATES & INFO ===

#### > M Hall closed Dec 21 to 31 ?

Surprised to get **this notice early Sat Dec 22nd:** "*MHall will be closed for the holidays from Dec 21st to 31st.*" Inclusive? And strange the DWV homepage dates the notice as Dec 30 at last look. Further info has been added, indicating the Hall actually closed at noon on Fri Dec 21 and now that it will be open Monday Dec 31. Go figure. Later got two further notices (my abbreviations):

+"MHall will be closed for the holidays beginning Fri Dec 21; re-open on Mon Dec 31." Save a tree.

+"The MHall will be closed from Dec 21 (Noon) through to Dec 28, 2012 and will be open on December 31, 2012. Best wishes for the season and the New Year!"

Wonder why the closure was not announced at the last reg ccl mtg (Dec 10).....

Wonder why there wasn't a single unambiguous announcement.....

Wonder why the notice did not go out as a WebAlert.....

Ah. Ours is not to wonder why.....

on-line or subscribe to the email edition.

Read this



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westvan.org/2012-24

Edited by Carolanne Reynolds <EditorWVM@WestVan.org>

#### > Info on WV Recreation -- http://www.westvancouver.ca/Residents/Level3RecLp.aspx?id=28800

#### > Ambleside tree unlit

was asked why. Here's the reply from M Hall:

The motivating factor behind lighting the tree at 13th and Marine was the Ambleside Business Assn with assistance from the Fire Dept. My understanding from the Fire Dept is that part of the tree top has broken off and the tree is no longer structurally able to hold the star and lights. The tree is quite old, Dolly Cartwright mentioned that it has been there for a very long time. This year, two cypress trees were decorated on the South Lawn of the Cmnty Ctr.

#### > Chip Up at Amb Park entrance

Ambleside-Tiddlycove Lions Club: Jan 1 - 6; weekdays noon - 4pm; weekends 10am - 4pm; tiddlycovelions.com

## === CALENDAR to December 31st + === {Jan 20?}

All mtgs are at M Hall unless indicated otherwise. NOTE: shown are mtgs known at this date; often there are additions, changes, cancellations after WVM goes out. Check the DWV Calendar: http://www.westvancouver.ca/Calendar.aspx . Notices/mtgs/changes too late/early for an issue are sent to subscribers. [See mtgs etc in the Headsup notices sent between issues of WVM.]

### http://www.dundaravefestival.com

~ Dundarave Festival of Lights ~ December 1 to January 5 ~ Dundarave Beach ~

#### The True Spirit of the Season, the Best Spirit of our Community\_

From the exuberantly druidic steps of Morris dancing to show tunes and children's choirs, the Dundarave Festival of Lights

lets the best spirit of our community blaze out in the darkest time of the year. It gathers us together as neighbours and

friends in the pure joy of music. Christmas 2012 brings the Festival to celebrate West Vancouver's Centennial, offering four-

Saturdays of fabulously festive and free entertainment, from the Dundarave Christmas Fair on December 1st to the-

legendary Christmas Wassail and Bonfire Night on December 22nd. 100 trees for 100 years..... Donate!

- > M Staff days off so Hall closed? See Updates & Info.
- > M Facilities' hours: <u>http://westvancouver.ca/uploadedFiles/Recreation/Schedules/WVCC%2012%20holiday%20week%201.pdf</u> More info from WV Rec: <u>2012 Fall & Winter Leisure Guide</u>

and for a magical 2012 holiday season, see the: 2012 Holiday Happenings guide Park Royal's Holiday Hours >

New Year's Eve (Monday Dec 31) 10am – 5pm // New Year's Day (Tuesday Jan 1) 11am – 6pm

\*\*\* POLAR BEAR SWIMS ! \*\*\*

#### == Sunday January 6

The Brackendale Winter Eagle count is coordinated by Thor Froslev and Nina Rytter and is conducted by trained volunteers for The Brackendale Winter Eagle count is coordinated by Thor Proslev and Nina Rytter and is conducted by traned volunteers for scientific purposes. It is not open to participation by the general public but you can go out to count eagles or enjoy the amenities of the Gallery during the day as the count is returned throughout the day.
27th Annual Brackendale Winter Eagle Festival January 2013 A Great Lineup for January!
For details on all events please go to <a href="http://brackendaleartgallery.com/Calendar.html">http://brackendaleartgallery.com/Calendar.html</a>
= Tuesday January 8 ~ 7pm ~ Upper Lands Study WG

== Wednesday January 16 ~ 4:15 pm ~ Cmnty Website Devt WG

#### +++ WV MEMORIAL LIBRARY +++ http://www.westvanlibrary.ca

Closed Dec 24 - 26

#### **BEST BOOKS OF 2012**

West Vancouver Memorial Library Choice Awards!

What's the best book you read this year? Post your choice to our Art Gallery Wall display, Facebook page, or Twitter feed, and see what others have been reading. You could win an Indigo Books gift card!

The contest draw will take place Jan 2. Contest details: <u>http://www.westvanlibrary.ca/index.php?page=23</u>

#### = ESL BOOK CLUB

Do you enjoy reading stories and wish to improve your reading and conversation skills? The ESL Book Club meets **Tuesdays**, **10:30 - 11:30am**. Next **Jan 8 to Feb 26**.

#### = ENGLISH CORNER

If you wd like to practise English conversation -- develop skills, learn vocabulary, participate in interesting discussions, and make new friends, come on Fridays starting January 11 from 10 - 11:30am. For more info pls call Nadia Vargha Majzub at 922 5152. Facilitated by the Bahai Cmnty of WV in partnership with the Library.

#### = PHILOSOPHERS' CAFE

10:30 - noon Friday Jan 18 Join Moderator Randall MacKinnon on the third Friday of each month, from Sept through June for a discussion at a Philosophers' Cafe, part of SFU's Continuing Studies.

**Political Fundraising** Raising funds and hopes: What effect do party and special interest fundraising have on the US and Canadian democratic systems? Who benefits? Does anyone suffer? -- Admission is free; no regn required.

+++ WV MUSEUM +++ http://westvancouvermuseum.ca/exhibitions/current\_exhibition\_925 7295

## January 16 – February 23

**THE EDGE OF A SHADOW** -- The Paintings of Ruth Killam Massey **Opening Reception January 15 at 7pm**  ...our earth, our land is what we should cherish most, as humans come and go, but the land stays on." -- Arthur Lismer

Like the edge of a shadow, which Ruth Massey referred to as being "so eloquent", Massey's paintings express the ever-changing mood of the coastal landscape, using a distinct colour pallet and soft-edged brushwork. Hernando Island, where she had a summer home, was a favourite muse of Massey's and this is one place where her view that "the expression of mood in nature through its slate of vibrant inter-relationships" could be explored on the boundary between the sea and shore and the hillside and forest. Massey framed views of the ocean through piles of driftwood and windswept grasses and at times, turned her perspective inland to capture the interplay of light and shadow in the branches of a craggy tree or created by clouds passing overhead. The exhibition is a tribute and celebration of Ruth Massey (1924 – 2011) and the legacy she created over her lifetime.

#### +++ FERRY BUILDING GALLERY +++ http://ferrybuildinggallery.com ~ 925 7290

#### > January 8 - 20 -- Hungry Ghosts: Living in the Age of Consumerism -- Mixed Media

Opening Reception: Tuesday January 8 from 6 to 8pm = Meet the Artists: Saturday January 12 from 2 to 3pm +++ SILK PURSE +++ <u>http://silkpurse.ca/exhibitions/</u> 925 7292 -->open for contact but bldg closed for mntnce Dec 17 - Jan 8<---> January 8 - 20 ~~ "Above & Beyond"

My Artist's Corner [ http://myartistscorner.ca ] is a collective of artists living with mental health issues who embrace and promote art as a limitless tool for self-expression and as a vital tool for recovery. Above & Beyond explores the beauties of the natural world, specifically those linked to the theme of 'Galaxy'. We invite viewers to linger, observe, and immerse themselves in the colours, textures, and uniqueness of each painting. The lone naked eye is not capable of seeing all of the universe's bounty at once and we believe this idea can also be applied to MAC and the stigma against mental health. You cannot fully appreciate any person, place, or thing until it is given the time to be acknowledged and heard; only then will it reveal its true self.

#### The Opening Reception will be held Tuesday January 8th from 6 - 8pm

#### +++ KAY MEEK CENTRE +++ <a href="http://www.kaymeekcentre.com/on\_stage/events\_calendar">http://www.kaymeekcentre.com/on\_stage/events\_calendar</a>

Simplest way to get on email list, call 913 3634 (also for tix) or email tickets@kaymeekcentre.com

#### THEATRE K MAINSTAGE Henry and Alice: Into the Wild

**Henry and Alice: Into the Wild** 

Produced in partnership with the Arts Club Theatre **8pm January 10, 11, & 12** 

#### The hilarious sequel to Sexy Laundry

Those crazy kids from the Arts Club's smash hit Sexy Laundry are back! And this time Henry and Alice are camping sort of! Forced to examine their relationship in the tangle of the wilderness - including collapsing tents, uninvited guests, and their own particular style of alfresco "cuisine" - they just might discover how to survive a true mid-life crisis. Rated: PG 13 some language and situations Tix: Adult \$43 | Senior \$39 | Student \$24

\$5 Valet Parking is available for this performance at the 15th & Mathers Avenue entrance.

#### +++ ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BRANCH 60, West Vancouver +++ http://www.westvan60.com/

Office: 922 3587 Lounge: 922 1920 Fax: 922 2659

Monday December 31st: HAPPY NEW YEAR! \*Champagne at Midnight\* 7pm -- DANCE the night away with the John Shields Band

+++ WV CHAMBER of COMMERCE + 926 6614 + <u>http://www.westvanchamber.com</u> The Chamber's Annual Mayor's Reception, Hollyburn Country Club -- 6 - 8pm Thursday January 24

## $=== C \cup L T \cup R \in W A T C H ===$

#### \* THEATRE

+ ARTS CLUB -- 687 1644 http://www.artsclub.com

~ Granville Island Stage: *Ride the Cyclone* by Brooke Maxwell and Jacob Richmond Philip; Jan 17 - Feb 16

+ METRO THEATRE 266 7191 metrotheatre.com

Mother Goose by Johnny Duncan, various times from Dec 14 to Jan 5

Written in the true panto tradition with evil (Demon Distastely) and good (Fairy Nerd), heckled and cheered by the children, with good always coming out on top.

+ JERICHO ARTS CENTRE http://www.jerichoartscentre.com/

#### Queer Arts Society presents The Gay Mafia

Directed by David C. Jones; Starring Pearce Visser; Featuring The Bobbers

Things are going to get fabulously nasty as the Gay Mafia is thrown into turmoil when The Don announces his intent to step down. The Gay Mafia is a wildly fun and unpredictable comedy with music!

A popular late night hit in 2007 at the Waterfront Theatre the show has been expanded and now stars the award winning queer comedy troupe The Bobbers. Check out their website at www.queerarts.ca

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"Back in 2007, we were a small group of queer identified improvisers just trying to get some stage time. Since then we have played a festival across BC, had a TV series on Out TV and won an award from Xtra West for Best in Entertainment." says artistic director David C Jones.

Popular improvisational artist and Artistic Associate Director at the Vancouver TheatreSports Pearce Visser plays the Don and every performance features a diverse collection of six members. Only a battle of wits and timing will determine the winner.

8pm Weds Jan 2 - Sat Jan 12; Preview: Jan 2; Note: No evening performance on Sunday Jan 6

Sunday Family Matinée: 4pm Jan 6; Tix \$12 (\$2 of every ticket donated to Out In Schools) Tix: \$20 (\$15 concession); call 224 8007 x 3

#### + WATERFRONT THEATRE

- ~ The Wizard of Oz www.carouseltheatre.ca (no times given) Dec 7 Jan 6
- ~ Canadian Improv Games improv.ca/regions/lm-bc Jan 14 27
- + FIREHALL ARTS CENTRE 689 0916 firehallartscentre.ca
  - Medicine by T J Dawe; (varying times) Jan 3 13
- + SFU Woodward's sfuwoodwards.ca
- *Here be Dragons* Jan 10 12; various PuSh festival productions; pushfestival.ca **Jan 15 Feb 2** + **THE CULTCH** 251 1363 thecultch.com

DON JUAN by Moliere; Blackbird Theatre; 8pm (plus matinees) Dec 26 to Jan 26

\* ART

+ VANCOUVER ART GALLERY http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/events\_and\_programs/calendar\_of\_events.html Coming Exhibitions: for details: <u>http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the\_exhibitions/upcoming\_exhibitions.html</u>]

~ NB: VAG Mbrs receive 20% off admission to the <u>Royal BC Museum in</u> Victoria when you show your Gallery Mbrshp card. For more info contact Member Services at membership@vanartgallery.bc.ca or 604 662 4711.

<u>EXHIBITION</u> James Hart: The Dance Screen (The Scream Too) -- November 2012 to January 2014 In late 2009, artist James Hart began designing this large-scale sculpture and began carving the work in 2010. This ambitious project brings together many of the principal animal figures from traditional Haida stories, especially creatures that depend on salmon for their survival. Read more: http://www.vanartgallery.bc.ca/the\_exhibitions/exhibit\_hart.html

- \* MUSIC
- + OPERA PRO CANTANTI procantanti.com at Cambrian Hall Norma by Donizetti, **7pm Sunday Jan 6**; Nabucco by Verdi, **7pm Jan 13 and 20**
- + VANCOUVER OPERA SOCIETY vancoco.ca

Die Fledermaus by Strauss, Hyatt Hall (843 Seymour); Jan 4 and 5

- + EARLY MUSIC VANCOUVER 732 1610 <u>http://www.earlymusic.bc.ca/CA-CalendarOfEvents.html</u>
- <u>o Festive Bach Cantatas for Christmas</u> -- The Bach Cantata Project: the tradition continues Sunday afternoon 3pm Dec 23 at the Chan Centre for the Performing Arts at UBC ~ Marc Destrubé, music director
- o Molti Strumenti: Baroque Concertos for Strings & Winds [Victoria Baroque Players] January 11 Friday 8pm | pre-concert introduction at 7:15 -- Christ Church Cathedral, downtown Vancouver
- o Perchance to Dreame: The Golden Age of English Music

January 18 Friday 8pm | pre-concert introduction at 7:15 -- Christ Church Cathedral, downtown Vancouver January 20 Sunday 3pm | pre-concert introduction at 2:15 -- Kay Meek Centre Studio Theatre, WV

- + VANCOUVER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA ~ Info on the season: <u>http://www.vancouversymphony.ca</u>
- o Salute to Vienna ~ <u>2:30pm Tuesday January 1</u> at the Orpheum ~

**The Strauss Symphony of Canada** with the **VSO** -- Dancers from the **Vienna Imperial Ballet** (Austria) Welcome the New Year with Salute to Vienna, patterned after Vienna's world famous "Neujahrskonzert", returning for a glorious 18th season with a fresh, new program. A festive New Year's concert, featuring a brilliant new cast of musicians from the VSO, and stellar European singers and dancers in beautiful costumes. A light-hearted blend of popular Strauss waltzes, polkas, and famous operetta excerpts from Die Fledermaus, The Merry Widow, and more -- something for everyone to enjoy! For more info, pls visit www.salutetovienna.com.

#### o The Sensational Midori! ~ 8pm Sat Jan 12 and Mon Jan 14 at the Orpheum ~

**Repertoire -- Wagner:** Tristan und Isolde: Prelude & Liebestod;

Shostakovich: Symphony No. 1 in F minor; Brahms: Violin Concerto in D Major\*

Midori<sup>\*</sup> captivated the world as a child prodigy unlike any other. Now and an artist of sublime maturity, she makes her longawaited return to the VSO to perform the Mount Everest of violin concertos.

#### + Vancouver International Song Institute

#### Winterreise: Winter Journey

Wednesday, January 2 at 7:30pm Roy Barnett Recital Hall, UBC School of Music (6361 Memorial Rd) Immerse yourself in Schubert's monumental song cycle performed by Early Music Vancouver favourite Colin Balzer, tenor and Erika Switzer, piano with commentary by Dr. Richard Kurth.

#### Tickets \$20 at <u>www.brownpapertickets.com</u>.

**Please join me at Schubert's monumental song cycle** Winterreise – Winter Journey performed by two celebrated UBC alumni home from Augsburg and New York for the holidays.

Colin Balzer, tenor <u>maierartists.de/colin-balzer-en.html</u>; Erika Switzer, pianist <u>erikaswitzer.ca</u>

Schubert's **Winterreise** is a masterpiece and this is an excellent opportunity to hear two wonderful artists -- both are very talented musicians making names for themselves throughout Europe and North America. And they both began their formal training at UBC!

I hope you will join us at this very special event, the proceeds of which will go to <u>support the student scholarship</u> fund for the 2013 VISI summer institute. It will be a very special occasion.

To learn more about Winterreise read at

http://theoryofmusic.wordpress.com/2009/07/18/english-translation-of-schuberts-winterreise-poems-by-w-muller/ Lloyd Burritt

#### +++ HEADSUP SECTION +++

#### >>> NB: if you subscribe, these come out before events; put in WVM later === HIGHLIGHTS -- of Dec 10 ccl mtg +

#### Herewith:

1. Mtg info in case you're interested and wd otherwise miss something. Someone's got to take some interest and/or responsibility for the DWV Calendar -- the residents' guide to being informed and involved.

2. NSh Health Survey

3. Ccl mtg tidbits (and mtg added 10am Wed Dec 12th originally for adoption of the budget but since ccl mtg adjourned before all agenda items completed and one had been deferred to Dec 12th). Interesting juxtaposition that one motion (about a small increase in FAR) refers to \$750K for CAC, an another (from 1.44 to well over 2.0) recommends paying nothing.

and

of course: Qtn/Tht/Pun {moved to end of newsletter}

PS -- just in re KMC <u>A Cottage Community Christmas</u> 8pm THURSDAY December 13

Features a special pre-show performance by The Gleneagles Ch'axáý Elementary School Choir.

\$5 Valet Parking for this performance is available at the Mathers Avenue Entrance and the WVHS book <u>Cottages</u>

to Cmnty will be on sale at KMC this month while the play is on.

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> First, reference was made to the **Upper Lands Study Review's first mtg** -- today at 7pm at the Hall (it only appeared on the DWV Calendar sometime on Monday so I asked if there were guidelines as to how long before a mtg it shd appear so residents know when a mtg is; not enough just to say mtgs are open to the public).

> Although the October mtg of the Website Devt Grp was on the Calendar, the Dec 6th one was not (and still isn't when I looked just now). Mbrs not on its webpage; a second consulting company referred to by CC in Reports not mentioned anywhere on the whole DWV website; at least they've changed the name.

And the TransLink mtg today isn't on the Calendar either! So, in case you're on the route and you're interested: from: <u>http://www.westvancouver.ca/Level3.aspx?id=41946</u>

#### TransLink Open House to discuss proposed route changes to 251 and 252 buses

December 11 2012 TransLink is hosting an open house to discuss proposed route changes to the 251 and 252 buses that would reroute and convert them to two-way service with connections to the higher frequency 250.

Where: West Vancouver Memorial Library, Welsh Hall When: Tuesday, December 11 from 4 – 7:30pm. More Information: <u>http://v.gd/translink</u> & <u>http://v.gd/251\_252</u>

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North Shore Survey - Vancouver Coastal Health

{ from: <u>http://www.westvancouver.ca/Level3.aspx?id=41702</u> }

Vancouver Coastal Health is asking **residents of North and West Vancouver, Bowen Island, and Lions Bay** to fill out a survey, either in person at public sites with our surveyors, or online here, between **Nov 23 and Dec 16**. Questions [center] around household characteristics (food security, dwelling type), neighbourhood characteristics (community belonging, transportation), socio-demographic characteristics (employment status, ethnicity), individual health and wellness (stress levels, mental health issues). Results will be used to tailor health services for local residents so that we can ensure they are getting the services they need most.

People who complete the survey will be entered in a draw for prizes such as an iPad. -3- • North Shore Surve

<u>North Shore Survey | Vancouver Coastal Health</u>

#### WV COUNCIL MTG LAST NIGHT (Dec 10)

= Agenda was amended to add 15.1 (but mtg didn't go that far)

= Interesting delegation (with slides) from WVSS Recycling Club re Battery Recycling Program

= in Reports:

TP: Upper Lands mtg tomorrow {listed above}; Library Xmas hours extended

CC: encouraged public to attend Website Devt mtgs {see above; wasn't on Calendar}

NG: looking fwd to staff report on well-attended HBay Spirit Trail consultation; Sop will be LCAC ccl liaison next year ML: M&Ccl hv bn invited to a Menorah lighting ceremony on Wed at 6pm

MAB: Ch of Commerce

Sop: Operation Red Nose

Mayor: enjoyable Christmas lunch at Srs' Ctr last Saturday

= DVP 6298 Wellington increased roof ht (b/c of a 'mistake') approved by Ccl (whereas denied by BoV b/c not a hardship) Sop, such a wag, suggested someone give the architect a tape measure.

{Wish I had a nickel for every 'mistake' that resulted in more height or whatever. One of the funniest was a well-

known architect who said he 'forgot' the elevator equipment on the roof wd mean a height higher than permitted.} = **Michael Koke, now Acting CFO b/c Nina goes on leave Jan 1st for nine months**, gave an overview of the process for Budget 2013 wch received three readings (and will be adopted at the special mtg 10am Wed Dec 12). Sop asked questions about the Endowment Fund; other Ms looking at our Asset Mgmt; TP and NG referred to the commitment to a zero prop tax rate increase (kept); the Mayor quoted Bob Dylan: there's a hard rain a-comin'

= **The Coach House Discussion Paper** outlined process including a survey the Cmte of the Whole mid-2013; discussion ensued with questions about other options, Sop suggesting a referendum b/c it will affect all residents (and some will be unhappy at the change), others disagreed.

{At PQP I (WVM) offered to hold a mtg (in cooperation/coordination with other groups) to explore options

and get input, and suggested if the 'diversity' was planned for certain areas and the rest left with their

sgl-fam character/choice, it wd lessen alarm across the M and a referendum not needed.}

Rezoning Application for WVFlorist: a bit complicated. A change in zoning in 2008 (from C2 to AC2) altered the FAR allowed; now to go from 1.75 to 2.0 may require a \$750K Cmnty Amenity Contribution. Architect Karl Gustavson argued cd be accomplished without an OCP amendment. The Mayor (quite rightly) recalled the owner objecting at the time. CC asked what the diff in land value wd be from present to 2.0 but KG said he was not prepared to answer that but said Grosvenor was proposing 3.0. A claim was made that not going above 1.75 made Amb not economically viable hence the problems for biz there. MAB said in anticipation of higher going to be allowed, it does not encourage investment (or upkeep) and many are on six-month leases. Staff explained first reading so that a PH can be held Jan 21.
 The recommended motion saying CAC wd not be required for the expansion of, increased density, of the Walker Bldg at 1455 Bellevue took almost an hour and then was tabled. G Pajari walked through the regulations explaining that (given the Uplift) a Cmnty Amenity Contribution shd apply although they have a formula for residential and a lower one for a combination of residential with commercial. Amazingly, a couple of cclrs said b/c absent/omitted it didn't apply (intentional or oversight?) and even to pass it, and 'maybe' the owner wd provide some in-kind amenity later. Former cclr Shannon Walker touted the increased biz activity that wd result.

Strange no one complained about the resulting lack of parking.

MAB hit the nail on the head: if allowed, if the case, staff wd hv gone ahead and not come to Ccl with this recommended motion.

I was sitting there thinking of the precedent.

After hearing the uncertainty in cclrs' comments, the Mayor made the sensible suggestion it be tabled (and staff come back with information/a report). Will be on the ccl mtg agenda in Jan (14 or 21).

= Another hot item: the PSB. Although a comprehensive explanation and several steps in the motion, there were many questions, in particular from CC. I just asked if Ccl still had options wrt 1300blk (Mayor said yes). G Pajari made some pertinent comments. The item was deferred to the Wed morning ccl mtg -- to CC's frustration b/c he has a legal hearing then (he's a lawyer) that morning.

{I'd guess that with only a simple adoption intended he felt he cd miss, but now that agenda will have something he

has strong views on, he'd want to go. The Mayor said they'd talk about it off-line; I wrote after the mtg that unless critical for the budget just table it again but to the first mtg in Tan the 14th }

unless critical for the budget, just table it again, but to the first mtg in Jan, the 14th.} Let's see what happens.

= Earlier the Mayor had announced he wd not go beyond 10pm but then stated since the folks for the **Hollyburn Lodge Restoration** had been waiting all evening, shd have that item. Brent remarked that some felt after waiting 20 years, three hours wasn't much (and wd be worth it). Some concern about funding from CC and ML but after debate finally **passed**.

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{and of course I'm a supporter of restoring this heritage asset, the only surviving ski lodge on the NSh.} = The Mayor was kind enough to allow me to speak at PQP (signed up at the beginning) and then Scenery Slater who then indicated she wanted to speak.

Briefly (omitting a couple of points b/c mtg in effect over), besides what I referred to earlier, I asked b/c of some anomalies wrt the Website Group (last mtg not on Calendar, names not on webpage, no mention anywhere of a second consulting company though CC referred to one, etc); congratulated re Budget, and wished Merry Christmas.

Scenery asked about a balloon or pole showing height of Grosvenor's proposal; Mayor said re pole they were deciding who wd hold it.

{UPDATE: At the DRC mtg, a mbr pointed out although said to be an eight-storey bldg, b/c of higher than

normal ceilings, the proposed building is the equivalent of 12 storeys}

= Rest of agenda dropped; presume continued on Wed or waiting to Jan 14.

#### NB: rushed to get this out asap to you so: E&OE

## === HEADSUP 23A: This Weekend + Tidbits -- 15 December, 2012 3:30:53 AM PST

#### [compiled Th/Fr Dec 14]

A little over-loaded with three ccl mtgs in ten days plus a Design Review Cmte on Grosvenor and Walker Place. Some imminent events, WV tidbits, Fire Safety, with Qtn/Tht/Pun at end. WVM shd come out next week with the three transcripts.

Christmas shopping with extended hours and even free valet parking at PkR. Patronize your local shops too! Good time to take note and tell Ccl where more parking is needed so most convenient for you.

#### CULTUREWATCH

Vancouver Welshmen's Choir Christmas

Dec 14 Friday 8pm at Centennial Theatre 984 4484 or centennialtheatre.com

#### KMC -- A Cottage Cmnty Christmas

Dec 14 Friday 8pm, Dec 15 Saturday 2 and 8pm; WVHS's book on sale at KMC **Dundarave Festival of Lights** 

see full details: http://www.westvancouver.ca/Level3.aspx?id=23044

Tomorrow Dec 15 Saturday 12:30pm

Hear the Pacific Spirit Choir spreading Christmas cheer singing in the rain at the foot of 25th in Dundarave

-- carol sheets for you to sing along!

#### **Gingerbread House Decorating**

Dec 15 Saturday 11am - 2pm -- PkR South, Ctr Court Santa's helpers will host our second gingerbread house decorating session; show off your decorating skills. FREE Be sure to arrive early, as there are only 300 gingerbread houses available.

The St Roch II -- Dec 16 Sunday 2pm Talk and Book launch, presented by KCMP Inspector Ken Burton

at the Maritime Museum 257 8300 vancouvermaritimemuseum.com Laudate Singers

#### Dec 16 Sunday 2pm (St David's United, WV) and 4pm (St Andrew's United, NV) laudatesingers.com

Sleeping Beauty -- Hendry Hall until Dec 16 northvanplayers.ca

Lions' Gate Sinfonia -- Dec 17 Monday 7:30pm; Sinfonia's Suite Christmas with guest host Jurgen Gothe and dancers from Pro Arte at Centennial Theatre 984 4484

Musica Intima

Dec 17 Monday [no time given] "Home for Christmas" at WV United, 731 6618 musicaintime.org also on Friday Dec 21 at Christ Church Cathedral

Dear Santa -- Vagabond Players (521 9412) are putting on this Norm Foster play

at the Bernie Legge Theatre in New Westminster until Dec 23;

A Child's Concert in Wales Concert -- PAL Theatre (685 9930) palvancouver.org until Dec 23

#### MUNICIPALWATCH

>>> As you know, the Dec 10 mtg was terminated before completing the agenda. The rest was done Wed morning (Dec 12); all passed including the adoption of the Budget (Five-Year Financial Plan) after a citizen's questions and input including echoing Ccl Cameron's concerns expressed on Monday night (but he was not able to attend the Wed morning mtg).

>>> The Design Review Cmte mtg on Th Dec 13 went from 4pm to almost 9pm! Fascinating. Only three items on the agenda. No surprise Grosvenor's proposal (1300blk) took the longest (over two hours?), then the expansion of the Walker Building (called Walker Place), followed by infill at 2074 Fulton (Hollyburn Mews the precedent). It was very informative and interesting hearing comments and suggestions by such professional ppl (mbrs).

## KEEP THE TREE GREEN

(courtesy of Fire Dept)

December 14 – Pass by any West Vancouver fire station in December and you'll notice a prominently displayed Christmas tree out front. These trees go beyond typical holiday decorating — they are part of the "Keep the Tree Green" campaign, which is designed to remind people about fire safety during the holidays.

The campaign kicked off December 1 and runs through New Year's Eve. For each day without a fire, an ornament will be hung on the trees; on days with fires, no ornament will be hung. A holiday season without any fires would translate to 31 ornaments on the trees. The visual effect of the trees is to make the public aware of the need for good fire safety during the holidays.

The potential for fire increases over the holidays as people typically spend more time indoors celebrating the season with candles, lights, and decorations.

To prevent a holiday fire this year, firefighters recommend these tips:

- Decorate with flame-retardant or non-combustible materials.
- Ensure that candles are located well away from combustible materials. Never use candles to decorate a Christmas tree.
- Wrapping and decorations can be highly combustible and should be kept away from heat sources.
- Discard gift wrap/boxes with garbage, recycle where appropriate; do not burn them (or trees) in the fireplace. Use only those lights which have been tested and labelled by an approved testing laboratory.
- Don't overload electrical circuits or extension cords.
- Always turn Christmas lights off before leaving home or going to sleep.
- Be sure to buy a fresh Christmas tree. Water it daily, discard it as soon as it appears dry or as needles begin to drop. If you have any questions about the campaign, please call West Vancouver Fire & Rescue at 925 7370 or e-mail your questions tomjames@westvancouver.ca

#### File Photo Attached {removed from newsletter}

Photo cutline: Lieutenant Marcia James, Inspector Brian Stopfer and Captain Geoff Graham of WV's Fire Prevention Team wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

{\* hey, why not buy a live tree and plant it? your place or a park (w/ permission or along the hwy)?}

## === COUNCIL NOTES Regular Mtg Monday December 3 ===

{best efforts! time stamps so you can listen to that part of the actual mtg if you want. }

#### 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order.

#### 2. Approval of December 3, 2012 Regular Council Meeting Agenda

- adding November 19, 2012 Council meeting minutes to Item 3;
- adding to Item 10, [5-Year] Financial Plan Bylaw No. 4743, 2012;
- adding to Item 18, Item 18.2
- 3. Adoption of November 19, 2012 Meeting Minutes -- Minutes to be provided on Friday, November 30, 2012.

Nov 19, 2012 special ccl minutes and that the regular ccl minutes be withdrawn and be presented at the Dec 10 mtg **REPORTS** [7:04]

#### 4. Reports from Mayor and Councillors on Boards, Committees, and Working Groups

Mayor: start by thanking the Lee Family

Lily Lee Spirit Room; Bob Lee, made a generous donation to the Cmnty Ctr

awaiting erection of the sign

#### Sop: last Friday, start of first night of Operation Red Nose by Rotary

I'll be doing my duty for Ccl including NYEve

MAB: finance symposium

discussion highlight of the day

17 speakers, 16 were [men]; suggest have more balanced

ML: Metro Region Finance symposium

last Saturday Mayor and xxx decorated tree in Dundarave

magnificent display by many groups TP: Spirit Trail workshop Wed Dec 5 from 6 to 8:30, coming out West, HBay CC: won't repeat Fin Symposium, save my comments

NG: LCAC six residents; look at homes

feedback, approve or not to keep that nbrhd in same character it is; two in last two weeks; six applications thank you to those mbrs esp to Jim Carter; diff to keep things on track

a great cmte to work with

myself MAB TP to NV ? hall wrt proposal NSh-wide food network: local food charter

Mayor: thank Barbara Brink; arranging that from the Lee family, hope will be repeated

[7:10]

5. Development Variance Permit Application No. 12-042 (2115 Inglewood Avenue) (File: 1010-20-12-042) PowerPoint presentation to be provided.

At the Nov 5 reg mtg Ccl rec'd the report dated Oct 25 re this DVP Applic and set the date for consideration for Dec 3. Reports received up to and including November 29, 2012:

| NAME:                                                             | DATE:            | FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:          | #   |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Development Variance Permit No. 12-042<br>(2115 Inglewood Avenue) | October 25, 2012 | November 5, 2012 / December 3, 2012 | R-1 |

Written Submissions received up to and including November 29, 2012: None

#### GB: DVP for prop on SLIDE; indicates variances

understand Ccl's monitors are not working so you've been supplied with copies odd shape of parcel {it's a triangle}

setback variances eg one requires 3m and asking for 1.8m applicants here if questions PRESENTATION BY APPLICANT CALL FOR PUBLIC INPUT -- none NG: top of p 2, raised mgmt plan this home was not going to be targeted 50% waste reduction something we're hoping support and why are they not meeting that? GB: a target we presented; a package we're supporting Metro regmts; this is a target. MOVED: THAT all written and verbal submissions be received for information. THAT the **DVP** to allow for the construction of a new two-storey house with basement, be approved. CARRIED Mayor: Ccl monitors are not working so will have to make do? Sop: why? Mayor: they're not working Sop: shd know why Mayor: technical glitch Sop: xxx [7:15] 6. 2012 Seniors' Activity Centre Advisory Board Annual Report and 2013 Work Plan (File: 0115-20-SACA1) PowerPoint presentation to be provided. RECOMMENDED: THAT the report dated Nov 15 from the Mgr of Cmnty Recreation, be received for information. AMooi: introduce Mr Brian Hahn and our Jill Lawlor **BH: SLIDES** adjusted our mbrship expiry date to {annual anniversary, ie not calendar year to Dec 31st} 3500 mbrs, 72% live in WV; 15% xxx fastest age group growing is 55 to 64 23,000 bowls of soup last year reputation for keeping seniors active; 1700 participants in fitness [more on SLIDE] 900 progs offered throughout the year: billiards to card games; always something for everyone challenge to meet needs of challenge in demands; upgraded the mission statement special events for mbrs' 100th birthdays (one last week, a couple next year) flea market the major fundraiser; will be held in April fraud seminar; intimidating to go down to police stn so now can come to Srs' Ctr for service enhancement work with Sch Dist; sch choir coming next week launching an info campaign re board: we have ten applications for three positions this year Cclr X: Q xxx parking, mbrs? BH: cd handle another 1000 three cycling groups and need to add another one BH: HSch students; write stories MAB: xxx; thx Sop: I'm too young to go there of course CC: how many mbrs? [7:27] 7. Gleneagles Community Centre Advisory Committee 2012 Annual Report and Work Plan (File: 0116-20GCCAC) PowerPoint presentation to be provided. Mayor: don't think mic is picking up v well {Susie who?} SLIDES we like to share our plans grown to 18 mbrs [listed] western civic site officially announced as a cmte of Ccl earlier this spring great family and youth progs dance club for youth, grades 6 and 7; Gr 8 dance in Sept; Family Fun night need for a cmnty garden; opened on Earth Day ten vrs old in 2013; planning thank Ccl for their support and Cclr Lewis as its rep Sop: always intrigued with events that go on out there do you feel out there that you're out of place? Ans: don't know what you mean Sop: isolated speak for entire WV Ans: don't feel we're isolated get some mbrs xxx other Ans: attract kids from across M to dances nbrhd plus outreach wd like to invite you out some time ---TP: xxx; just outstanding; excellent; taking ownership; youth focus has been fantastic these cmnty ctrs do work and build on one another CC: I live a block from here go to pottery classes out there, and kids

a few family nights; xxx touch on notion a white elephant in the early years, attendance was lower describe your prog and services are both cmnty ctrs generate large \$ from their progs Ans: a lot of growth; Susie said xxx also great success with with weight progs great success family progs -- 200 drop of kids and they go out to dinner CC: you'd like more out there? X: always room to grow MAB: access by youth to cmnty ctrs, huge support; access to two cmnty ctrs is fantastic have you found transportation is an impediment? Ans: progs with Gleneagles Elem Sch so latch-key progs, just walk over some partnership progs, carpool from other schools and come over pick up from Srs' Ctr ML: hard to believe ten years; just remember it being built and the controversy you talking about the ctr, the evolution of the ctr; thank all the ppl on the board with the biz assn, the linkage to the golf course and Larsen Stn; clubhouse, recent renovation date night the skateboard park -- probably the best on the NSh work has been excellent; my pleasure, thank you for coming THAT the report dated Nov 15 from the Mgr of Cmnty Recreation, be received for information. Mayor: am sure looking forward to visit from xxx 8. Rutledge Field Spectator Seating Proposal Update (File: 2160 03 AMBL1 09) Presentation to be provided. [7:39] AM: fully funded by Field Hockey Club; max of 300 spectators SLIDE Supported by DRC; open house, info in NSN; letters to residents in the area needs approval from Ccl; {staff} Ian Haras and John Wong here to speak/answer questions Sop: a phased situation? covers come later? Ans: CORRECT Sop: four pillars standing Ans: covers support the roof; final still has to be worked out Sop: concrete and some storage DRC reported weak/will leak; told things put there no problem; ... water? Ans: wrt structure/storage, intent kept away from elements; not waterproof hidden from view, the intent CC: Qs from ppl who have written in; good to have them aired and addressed in public xxx; query, longer comment period rather than just a week; has come up before two or three weeks advertising to pay for this, seat sponsorships; advertising signs? Tim Harrington from Field Hockey: volunteer, been involved since 2007; passion about that; now following through with the icing on the cake advertising not the word; looking for signif donors; plaque to acknowledge donors naming rights same mold (\*see LANGUAGEWATCH below) as established with the field itself wdn't call it advertising, call it recognition roof is not designed; columns chosen b/c versatile, open to options [7:46] that's why chosen more cost effective to do it at this stage re leaking, we're trying -- storing nets, cones, items to keep the field clear don't want uniforms to be stored there; bone dry is not what we're looking for CC: not large advertising signs, ackn ppl who'd donated, small plaque TH: acknowledge who's been involved CC: intention to have much larger events; 300 large capacity -- much larger events? TH: v glad you asked that question; why the drive and desire since 2004, NSh HSchs have won [7:48 to get numbers] xxxxxx 4 Collingwood an average of five NSh players have received scholarships at least 12 to 15 playing for Cdn universities six players on the 'nation' players and the jr nine these players all started and honed their skills in WV reason we were able to raise \$1.5M and donors for the spectator seating -- a reward so ppl/donors have a place to watch yes, we are hoping to host a provincial quite exciting; crowd usually 300 ppl good chance a local team will prevail; not had an opp to host one yet; a cpl of exhibition plays on our field our field is top class and one of the top in Canada not going to be happening ev weekend, but once or twice a year, see it as positive ppl come, stay, go shopping -- what's wrong with a bit of fun CC: so your answer is yes; sorry, I'm a lawyer, want to make sure Now, why concrete? permanent and inflexible; not environmentally desirable as a metal structure TH: certainly durable; no mntnce; metal you have to paint

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v flexible, more so, than steel; designers have done a nice job CC: can't move it TH: that's the intent; want to be there for a while; wanted secure storage steel cd hv bn an option; wd hv been more costly, has to be custom-made; warm suitable place; the two effective DRC had similar questions but in the end found it was interesting and well done think it was the right decision for mntnce and cost; we can manipulate it NG: seating structure is 89ft long 22xx 9ft hi ... not to exceed 4?m -- wch Ans: 2.4 metres high NG: so 9ft TH: had xxx; more storage underneath; less ht, less impact; was lowered to seven rows the 2.8m, the fence is 3.6m hi so structure was [7:56] NG: you're confirming max 9ft high? TH: sure, that's accurate IHaras: doesn't include the columns NG: I too have concerns about the concrete and non-permanent concrete one of the more unfriendly materials we cd build with, eg wood TH: not true, they recycle concrete now Mayor: those comments if and when we get a motion on the floor ML: I too think this is a fairly hideous xxx [7:58] xxx; what started out was quite attractive; not sure I like corrugated metal roofs; shd hv bn glass look at this concrete thing waiting to/for tagging on a Sat eve; think you cd do a better job what Amb xxx it's a mini Swangard; not attractive; don't want to see this walking along; can do a better design job echo comments from others; not v creative showed great creativity putting this together lose if not %x? [8pm] MAB: note time pressure re funding TH: am optimistic funding will not be an issue but it's taken, well started in 2011; will be confirmed before moves forward model for the turf field, demonstrating funds there; confident same process will be worked out with staff until we know what we're doing, hard to say here's the funds MAB: are you considering something that is retractable? TH: probably cost prohibitive MAB: doesn't have to be electronic TH: where design flair comes into rise and run of a bleacher -- whether out of steel or concrete is a xxx something will make us proud; first class field and wanna stay; intent can't afford to put a roof on now so been deferred Mayor: 100-year tradition in WV, standing, watching in the rain, sharing the pain; xxx I wdn't want to be the one to go up to Pat McLeod and say not as xxx why require covered seating when others don't? TH: hoping in the future Coq, Surrey, have built some xxx seating; almost small stadiums, we're not shooting for that see others and wonder why can't we do that. Mayor: hoping to get a motion TP: residents [NSN] front page, see trees planted so soften; a bit of a compromise for nbrs across the street IH: as staff we did look at that; south side of MDr, smaller trees so see Sop: just as you want a wine bar on the beach, WV for years; with my own kids xxx have a xxx terrific DRC a bit cold at first; sits across the field with trees, will work out why wdn't it be safe? wind factors, wheelchair areas, DRC to move ahead, pillars were a concern but were explained Mayor: perhaps a motion on the floor [Name, public input] TH: believe I've had my three minutes Mayor: shd join Ch of Ćommerce CC made the motion: that 1. The Rutledge Field Spectator Seating Project described in the report dated October 30 from the Mgr of Parks Operations and the Mgr of Facilities and Assets, be approved and that; 2. Council direct staff to provide assurances from the WV Field Hockey Club, to the satisfaction of the CFO, that all applicable costs associated with the design and construction for the Spectator Seating Project be the responsibility of the WV Field Hockey Club, and that the Club provide proof that funds are held in trust prior to commencement of the project. Is mntnce by FHClub or District? {good question} IH: see it as a partnership {bad answer -- what proportions? better still, approx cost!}

TP: second

CC: not convinced the superiority of concrete but you've done more work on this and DRC believed it

if the FHC wants to build, it shd be something they're willing to maintain FHC come up with money themselves but leary of District taking on xxx I'm supportive of its being built but maintained by the Club; want to add that to the motion {good idea, being careful with taxpayers' money} Sop: friendly amendment or another motion? TP: a huge cmnty asset; field hockey and soccer not put on the doc at the beginning b/c wanting to make sure this proj was on time and on budget good and healthy access; cmnty facility use increased and for ppl my age; this is for hi sch students; level they shd hv access to concrete if gone through all the processes then mntnce is minimal storage is huge; brought it down; potential to soften it suspect soccer happy to have seating there are some pretty hefty fees for the benefit, and the partnerships created to xxx; confident a success for the cmnty fine-tune some issues for the nbrs; absolutely supporting this NG: supporting sports, field groups; a bit confused -- for soccer? Ans: IT IS NG: just never seen it Ans: SAT AM NG: not another on the other side field hockey v popular at the moment; concern with this v permanent structure; sports come and go when I was in HSch -- wind surfing and no one does it any more 20 - 30 years hope ppl drive by twice a day, agree with Cclr Lewis, getting an institutional feel, area how cut off expanding and expanding; tough time with this decision MAB: drove down there; a fantastic field but looks horrid, those little bleachers got to have some seats and 300 not overly ambitious this is about inviting the cmnty to come standing in the rain; sitting is bad enough, but xxx do hear residents, bleachers, so wd encourage you to have some sort of cover if I were living across from a field, I'd feel pretty good mntnce issue, Cclr Panz addressed: we charge fees so they pay for it already {they pay user fees but doubt that covers mntnce; get numbers!} I'll be supporting and thank you to the groups bringing this here to us; what I see is a necessity to a field {and all those votes.....} watching that high calibre of hockey ML: I supported this from the get-go and will this evening but I'm not impressed sorry, if that's the DRC the best they can come up with, I'm sorry about their [8:18] tin roofs and going to get tagged and know how much it costs to remove v supportive of the concept of seating but think we can do a better job than this CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY [8:19] 9. Update - Removal of Sound Barrier and Trees at Gleneagles Elementary School (File: 1785-01) RF: asked to xxx original was wrt terminus of the hwy; number of years ago, nbrhd concerns; studies, best hwy ramp according to our research, cd not find why the wall was not constructed there by elem school, cash contribution; taken down, civility concerns staff working with nbrs and stakeholders this is just a status update so staff just asking for receipt John McMahon here if questions Mayor: so just receive the report and no further action? RF: yes Sop: many years back, long process [many] involved barrier to prevent noise for chn no one taking any resp for noise abatement not there; find that rather sad taxes ... that corner ... open xxx; chain-link fence, loose on the bottom what's wrong with someone xxx closure to the nbrhd; ev turning a blind eye to this Mayor: have public to speak so if a specific question; debate when motion on floor CC: am I correct that there is no agrmt in writing? governing construction? RF: staff understand a sum of money, prov Min gave to Sch District; that contract was taken by the Sch Dist to facilitate construction CC: did Sch Dist sign a contract to build a fence with MoT? where, how? RF: not to my CC: remarkable; residents want a 40m fence on the N side of the prop, seems a minor, reasonable request \$5K per m? since friends built for a tenth of that! {great that CC looked into this -- hwy robbery!} Mayor: \$\$\$ McMahon: original estimate was \$4500 also looking at other motions CC: it's a Montreal-sized contract; if paid X they got taken to the cleaners; xxx this figure is ridiculous!

#### {You go, Craig! the Montreal reference a nice touch....}

MAB: so a wall can be rebuilt at no cost?

RF: originally the sound fence was much longer

the sch trustees, [how] want to have policy; open window for safety and that is still their preference understand how imp for the cmnty, agreeing sound fence from tip of site to edge of parking lot so that it might address some of the sound from the hwy exit and the roundabout but not the disembarking? traffic up the ramp McM: one RoW is on District prop

MAB: on blvd

McM: yes

MAB: this is both a visual and an auditory [barrier]; you've only looked at the auditory one McM: yes

MAB: auditory blocking; staff haven't looked at the visual

Mayor: only considered the auditory

MAB: purpose of the sound study wd be?

McM: depending on material \$100K or

if not going to address the prob wd you like to put one up?

by putting in a wall that doesn't address the sound issue xxx; no point putting in a wall if not auditory

MAB: you're not experts; but if you stand on one side and say something it will be muffled

TP: can all agree about Ferry Service; MoT gave the money to the Sch Dist not WV

RF: my understanding

TP: so the Sch Dist took the wall down, now we have to take this on?

Mayor: Dist trying to facilitate though not xxx [8:32]. Michael Evison

Ev: didn't intend leading off this debate; wrt the wall, this isn't about whether the Dist shd engage in a xxx; it's righting a wrona

xxx; spending another \$10K not xxx; ppl build a wall ev day; bridge is diff; xxx

Cclr Cam agree -- We've been duped

spoke ; \$487 a metre, not \$4500; dble for engg purposes

recognize a mistake has been made; put it back in the budget or do it next year

John/Don? UmbaLuback (sp?): Rosebery, nbr of Elem

thank you for your attn to this; on spring break our nbrhd changed substantially; many signed petition requesting sound barrier be put back in place

one of the WRA mbrs recalls a court order, thought it was BCF presented a cheque for \$400K and the Sch Dist decided to use some of that to install the sound barrier as well as triple glazing in the school and upgraded ventilation to mitigate concerns re sound; not what we'd like to pursue, enjoy outdoors

Cclr MAB's question appropriate; well known decibels and ..... when removed

McM's remarks surprising -- I thought Sch Dist had agreed to have it back on their prop

Sop mentioned chain link fence, also openings 2ft hi, and saw chn playing near there today near opening that drops down to MDr; so Sch Dist position that 'safer' baffles me

caught in the crossfire between BCF, Min of Transp, District's Engg group, SD45, and Ccl

thank cclrs who've visited the site

Mayor: no motion on the floor

TP: will move what's in front of me:

THAT the report dated Nov 23 titled, "Update - Removal of Sound Barrier and Trees ..." be received for info This doesn't really help us

#### wall needs to be put back in place; best way to do it

if we get some funding, maybe go back to Sch Bd and go halfway

school and nbrhd impacted on a daily basis; shd do our best to come up with a solution

not sure we'll be responsible for sound barriers throughout the Dist; this is unique; hope come up with a path forward

Mayor: for or against?

TP: just to receive

CC: propose an amendment: Dist write a letter to sch bd pay half ..... cost us about \$20K; Sch Dist's prob, they've bungled with nbrhd

#### Sch Dist put in the most

ML: longest motion

CC: my amendment is to contact Sch Dist and offer to pay half

Mayor: just vote on receipt and then another motion

ML: but what concerns me there are so many xxx

#### originally runs up along the side of the hwy; noisy; speed muffled it was also supposed to stop pollution -- explain to me how since from hwy above; probably the most illconceived

coupled with another cost downloading to the District concerns me

wd be okay with sharing if it'll make a diff but just to put something up that doesn't really make a diff

I'd like some substantial quantifiable data before we embark on this

NG: I just can't believe how much I'm agreeing with Cclr Lewis tonight!

[laughter]

ML: As the Mayor said earlier, it's good to see you come to your senses

[laughter]

NG: but he apologized for that shortly thereafter, several times third to last paragraph from our staff

our role limited to facilitating this matter, simply out of the kindness of our hearts doing that b/c residents came to us prob is with Sch Bd, not with us; staff do not recommend expanding the District's responsibilities my concern xxx; imagine if the Sch Bd took part of our prop vou've got to backwards; residents shd be going to Sch Bd, writing to the Trustees, this is a Sch Dist problem MAB: not helpful to play the blame game {hm; she was on the Sch Bd and even Chair..... so why not enlighten us?} technically -- if it weren't for the Dist putting in the roundabout came in... xxx {head shakes} Mayor: xxx clarify this point McM: when we were doing the roundabout, we did not do xxx? Sch Dist took xxx of the work being done there MAB: I stand corrected combination of the roundabout and the wall have affected the nbrhd xxx; item no 1 is taking down the wall; of 9 items; cumulative issue if motion to look at costing will support that Mayor: xxx MAB: whatever goes forward must be documented Sop: can remember BCF \$500K around HBay, including Ron's Walk {HBay person in gallery: NO} you can imagine the landgrab; concern was toll gate near school so they moved it further up the hill wall put in for noise abatement ask staff to see if any arrangement can be made -- if land worth \$20 xxx xxx; xxx; at least keep going Mayor: so receive the report then CC: will save but residents is strange to their ... Sch Bd is doing nothing; to send them to Sch Bd is a fruitless journey; wd leave them out to dry as Ccl shd look after our citizens; led to a situation shdn't be asked to tolerate anything we can do to facilitate we're not going to fix, not pollution; by landscaping and wall, we'll improve do we want to spend \$10K to study it? I'd rather spend \$20K and solve it Ccl use moral suasion to get Sch Bd to xxx Sop: hear, hear McM: justification re sound study; originally the report recommended if a wall were to go in it shd go on the ramp, not where it ended up; that reason if wall down there, wd it actually solve the prob noise coming from hwy ramp CC: lineal metres of a wall there roughly same as at the school or will it be a lot longer? I will make the motion McM: not sure Mayor: if prob comes from the ferry terminal and the traffic leading out of the terminal, HBay, is staff telling us there's absolutely no chance of MoT money being available to address this issue? [8:52] RF: that has not been confirmed; perhaps shd have identified there are a bunch of initiatives and actions we're still working on to continue ... proper sound wall; simply don't have an answer with MoT Mayor: productive mtg with MoT re Ansell Place and Seascape; xxx motion carries unanimously (receipt) CC: don't accept any responsibility? if funds from xxx ..... don't want to offer money if Sch Bd [move] direct staff to explore, sound issue cd be mitigated xxx Mayor: direct staff to explore ... with Sch Bd CC: I wd support that Mayor: Ms Scholes, did you capture that? xxx CC: xxx Mayor: Mr McRadu ask Sch Dist and MoT to come before Ccl so we can hear all three {good suggestion, Mr Mayor -- or from CAO?} Čam/Sop [8:56] CARRIED Mayor: not turning our backs as some others, as been done by other bodies in WV {hm; yes... wch ones pray tell?} **10.** [5-Year] Financial Plan Bylaw (File: 1610-01) Information to be provided. Mayor: couple of ppl to speak to this NL: 2013 - 2017; xxx since beginning of Nov; three presentations to employees; two presentations to cmnty open forums; ~50 residents common theme: BCF, facilities renewal, more detailed info for facility costs... major issues: facilities, roads, PSB [9:02] CR: Good evening, M&Ccl. Carolanne Reynolds, Editor WVM

Thank you for the early process for the budget and for your efforts to keep the taxes down.

- To raise revenue, last week I suggested considering a maintenance levy for users of municipally-owned

buildings since infrastructure is one of the major questions we're dealing with.
To keep expenditures down, may I recommend some out-sourcing.

= You may also wish to think about selling lanes in blocks where the residents agree.

> Staff remuneration is over 80% of the budget. Are there not four mbrs who wish to address this factor? From 2011's figures -- last year --, we see some are underpaid and some are overpaid (many well over \$100K, with at

least six over \$150K and the highest \$224K) when compared with comparable training and experience with the private sector.

o How much over 2011 is 2012's pay amount?

**o** How much cd be saved if there were a pay freeze for 2013, esp given the prov govt's policy has been zero? During this time there cd be a thorough review of pay levels, esp to raise those below the private sector.

We treasure our municipal staff and strive to make their compensation fair -- even though many in the population have found their income static or lower in recent years.

Thank you all again for your efforts for a zero tax rate increase -- if that's in the latest version presented tonight. Thank you

Mayor: thank you. Mr Roach

Dave Roach: this year a pleasure to be part of the consultation process; it's been good

plan before you small changes to 2013 draft; since no report in public domain today

wonder if we cd get some small update ... by email

4.36% increase in taxation being proposed, increase over 2013, so 2014 is 4.36% higher fees and charges 2% higher

Licences and Permits 5% higher, that's on top of the 25 - 30% increase scheduled to take place in 2013 principle outflows: operating div expenses up 1.6% (2014 higher than 2013) in the plan; transfer to the Infrastructure Fund is up 26.9% (2013 to 2014) and wonder if we cd get some background on that and the reason for it

when I look at the bylaw, part three of the bylaw says repeal the bylaw 4717, 2012, and think this is going to cause you some legislative probs

2012 is not finished yet

CFO says she intends to amend the bylaw 4717

you have an item on agenda tonight (13); Exp and Sale of M land; rec 3 is staff report back with a budget amendment for 2012

if you look at the Cmnty Charter section 173 and section 191, I think what she ought to do is remove part three of the bylaw, just stroke it though, and that will solve some legal probs you might have in the light of...

Mayor: thank you; Ms Leemhuis xxx

NL: had hoped earlier in years but sensible what she suggests

recommend first reading recognize that assumption xxx

May be here next Monday?

DR: I'll try ... repeal Pt 3 ...

Mayor: ... got that?

MAB: motion read first time

CC: xxx CFO ... repeal part 3

MAB: this will do that

Mayor: Carries unanimously [9:08] **11. Art Centre Update** (File: 0510-13)

BL: xxx here; to bring up to date; funding for the ongoing work

Mayor: Mr Ev has signed

Ev: don't feel need to

Mayor: enough said

MOTION THAT Council receive the Dep/CAO's report of December 3, 2012 for information.

Mayor: exciting work

**12.** Ambleside Waterfront and Village Centre Public Engagement (File: 2195-01)

Jeff McD [text kindly supplied, my bolding]:

This is an exciting time as we move forward with **public engagement and consultation on Ambleside Waterfront and Village Centre Activation.** 

This is one of Council's five priority areas and we have drafted a plan for public engagement on these important projects on the waterfront and in the Village centre.

In a report to you in October, you directed us to draft a plan for public engagement. It's attached to your report as Addendum B.

Let me go over the engagement goals. They are [to]:

• [Seek] public input on the draft waterfront plan and specific implementation projects based upon the guiding principles and the Village Centre Strategy.

**Refine the proposals based on specific public input** to ensure the projects align with the community's aspirations for the waterfront the Ambleside Village Centre.

**Identify budget impacts** to that you, Council, I can make informed decisions about how to move forward with implementing these projects.

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• **Present the public input to Council** so that they understand public preferences.

Our tactics are as follows:

• Conduct a **statistically significant telephone survey** to get feedback on the various projects and their prioritization.

Use the telephone survey to **direct residents to a secure online survey. Access is limited to only those residents identified in the telephone survey.** 

• Make the same online survey available and open for any and all to respond to. Drive traffic to it through advertisements in local newspapers.

Launch social media campaign to promote the participation and raise awareness of the projects.

**Host three community information sessions** (January/February) with stations for each project, District staff acting as hosts and engaging at stations, and post-card [sized] individual surveys on each project at each station.

• **Develop project boards for each of the major potential projects** on the waterfront for posting in Municipal Hall, the library, and the Community Centres.

Sop: support what you're doing

made ref in both re public ownership of waterfront

public ownership will not be complete until we purchase the remaining props

not public ownership until we set in motion a doc, waterfront is dedicated park

fear, a request to zone it commercial; now residential; parts a mixture

how bring about that piece for x, that for y, spend millions of dollars and then come back to be something other than park!

park; limits bldgs go down there

Jef McD: I'll ask Mr Sokol to answer

Sokol: exact xxx

come up with the direction we want to go; come forward with proposal and wording

Sop: so not your intention entire park

Mayor: intention to ask public; public land owned by the public; ask them what they want to see on their land Sop: cd be a thousand things but we're obligated....

not going to be filled up with ?commercial?

lost that, lose everything

NG: your report mentions a tel survey; separate from the cmnty survey we're already doing, expensive? JMcD: separate

NG: unfortunate

like about the postcards for surveys; used successfully last year with 1300blk and PSB

wd like to see, publicize the online survey; and to also publicize the xxx

TP: fully support what's on; no question we have invested millions and rightly so

my concern is sea rise; be responsible for decision in future

huge investment in our waterfront, the responsible thing to do; our foreshore speaks volumes to that

my wish in 2013 we do some work, whether with UBC students, re high water mark and sea level change over the next 30 years; looking at pretty major investments; not sure where it fits

[9:19] Sop made motion:

1. The report from the Dir/Planning and A/Dir/Communications, dated November 22, 2012, be received for information. 2. The District commence public consultation, to be based upon the consultation strategy contained in this report, and attached as Appendix A, on the Waterfront Plan and potential implementation strategies and projects for the Waterfront and Ambleside Village Centre.

Mayor: carries unanimously [9:20]

**13. 2012 Expenditures for Sale of Surplus M Lands, PSB, and Related Admin and Overhead** (File: 0500-01) MAB recused herself

Mark Chan: purpose of report re funds spent

to reach this stage on PSB

new budget; recently hired architect; to be presented at ccl mtg Dec 10

ML: I recommend

{why doesn't he 'move'?}

the report dated Nov 26 be received for information.

I further recommend

{move?}

the <u>2012 expenditures up to October 31, 2012 of \$266,078</u> be funded in a manner consistent with the funding approach previously approved by Council for these initiatives, namely through the net proceeds of sale of District-owned lands which are deposited in the Endowment Fund.

and finally, Staff report back to Council with a budget amendment bylaw to amend the 2012 District Budget. Mayor: In the interests of full disclosure, Mr Chan do you have the figures for 2011 and 2010 so we can tell the public exactly what we have spent to date?

MC: the amt for 2010 is \$301,821 and for 2011 is \$704,498.

Mayor: so we've spent \$1,267,000, something like that or \$1M271K?

MC: yes, Mr Mayor

Mayor: we want to make sure the public is aware we're keeping track of public money we're spending and always trying to spend it more effectively MC: absolutely, Mr Mayor

#### {was this duet rehearsed?}

Mayor: Discussion or call the question? Carries unanimously -- uh-- Oh, I'm sorry You come up so often you shd sit at the front

#### CR: I did sign when I came in

Mayor: I know, you know I have your --, that was my fault. I apologize for that.

CR: wrt this, and thank you for asking those add'l questions, it says on the motion re funding approach "previously approved" but presumably Ccl wd keep all its options open. What I'm thinking out is the PSB, b/c the last time I looked at that website, I haven't looked for a while, it did say several ways of funding it, not just an agreement of selling or leasing -- not been approved. So I just wanted you all to confirm you're keeping all your options open. You don't have to fund it the way it was mentioned before.

[9:25] Mayor: No, we're keeping all our options open, absolutely.

CR: tyvm

Mayor: Cd be named the Reynolds-Pajari Bldg if you want to step up

#### [laughter]

#### BYLAWS ADOPTED

- 14. Solid Waste Utility Bylaw No. 4740, 2012 (Solid Waste Utility Changes and Fees for 2013) (File: 1610-20-4740 / 1775-01)
- 15. Waterworks Regn Bylaw No. 4490, 2006, Amendmt Bylaw No. 4741, 2012 (Water Utility Fees 2013) (File: 1610-20-4741 / 1815-19) 16. <u>Sewer/Drainage Utility Fee Bylaw No. 4538, 2007, Amendmt Bylaw</u> No. 4742, 2012 (Sewer Utility Fees 2013) (File: 1610-20-4742 / 1765-01)
- 17. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (for receipt/info/approval)
- 17.1. 2013 Acting Mayor Schedule (File: 0120-01)
  - Dec 2012/Jan 2013 Cclr Sop Feb/Mar Cclr Gam April/May Cclr Booth
  - June/July Cclr Lewis Aug/Sept Cclr Cam Oc/Nov Cclr Panz.

17.2. Appointments of Ccl Mbrs to MetroV Board of Directors and Cmtes for 2013 (File: 0185-01)

1. The following appointments to the MetroV Board of Directors for 2013 be approved:

- Mayor Smith, and Councillor Panz (alternate);
- 2. The following recommendation for appointments to Metro Vancouver committees be approved:

Aboriginal Relations Cmte – Cclr Booth
 Finance Cmte – Cclr Lewis
 Utilities Cmte – Cclr Panz.

17.3. Appointments of Council Mbrs to Boards, Committees, and Working Groups for 2013 (File: 0115-01) the following appointments of Council members to boards, committees and working groups for 2013 be approved:

- West Vancouver Community Centres Society Board: Councillor Booth
  - Memorial Library Board: Councillor Cameron
  - Seniors' Centre Advisory Board: Councillor Panz
  - Audit Committee: all Council members

  - Awards Committee: Councillor Gambioli
     Community Grants Committee: Councillor Gambioli
  - Design Réview Committee: Councillor Soprovich (Alternate Councillor Cameron)
  - Gleneagles Community Centre Advisory Committee: Councillor Lewis
  - Lower Caulfeild Advisory Committee: Councillor Soprovich
  - Parcel Tax Roll Review Panel: Cclrs Gambioli, Lewis, Soprovich (Alternates Cclrs Booth, Cameron, Panz)
  - School Traffic Safety Advisory Committee (not a Council committee): Councillor Booth
    Youth Services Review Implementation Group (not a Council committee): Councillor Booth

  - Field Sports Forum Working Group: Councillor Cameron
  - Upper Lands Study Review Working Group: Councillors Panz and Cameron

  - Invasive Plant Species Working Group: Councillor Gambioli
     Coho Festival Society: Councillor Soprovich
     Howe Sound Forum: Councillors Panz and Soprovich
  - West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce: Councillor Lewis
  - North Shore Advisory Committee on Disability Issues: Councillor Lewis
- North Shore Family Court & Youth Justice Committee: Councillor Gambioli (Alternate Councillor Cameron) North Shore Emergency Management Office: Councillor Soprovich
- North Shore Substance Abuse Working Group (formerly Task Force): Councillor Lewis.

17.4. North Shore Emergency Management Office (NSEMO) Report regarding Integrated Partnership for Regional Emergency Management (IPREM) All Hazard Integrated Regional Concept of Operations (File: 0180 16) the report dated Nov 9 from the Director, NSEMO be received for information.

17.5. 2013 Age-friendly Community Planning and Project Grants Application (File: 2620-13)

#### MOVED

1. Ccl authorize the submission of a grant application to the UBCM Srs' Housing and Support Initiative program of \$20,000 to fund the NSh Age Friendly Initiative - "Seniors Connecting Seniors for Healthy Living"; and that

2. Council authorize the project to proceed, subject to confirmation that full funding is available. 17.6. Gleneagles Community Centre Advisory Committee Revised Terms of Reference (File: 0116-20-GCCAC)

#### THAT the revised Terms of Reference as attached to the report dated Nov 15 be approved.

#### 17.7. Correspondence List (see link on electronic agenda) (File: 0120-24)

#### Council Correspondence Update to November 16, 2012 (Noon)

Referred for Action

(1) Hollyburn Heritage Society, November 15, 2012, regarding Hollyburn Lodge

(Referred to Chief Financial Officer for consideration and response)

Received for Information

(2) Five Hole For Food, November 15, 2012, regarding "Five Hole For Food – November 2012 Update"

(3) A. Conradi, November 15, 2012, regarding "Ambleside Renewal- 1300 Block Marine Drive"

(4) November 16, 2012, regarding "New pulsating wireless radiation?"

Responses to Correspondence

(5) Dir/Planning, Nov 13, response to EcoUrbia Network, re "Overview of EcoUrbia's Proposal for a WV Cmnty Eco Ctr"

(6) Director of Engineering and Transportation, November 14, 2012, response to S. Slater, regarding "Traffic"

(7) Manager of Parks Operations, November 15, response regarding "No to proposed spectator seating at Rutledge Field"
 (8) Mgr of Parks Operations, Nov 15, 2012, response to M. and N. Bowman, regarding "Rutledge Field Spectator Seating" Council Correspondence Update to November 23, 2012 (Noon)

Referred for Action

(1) North Shore Family Court & Youth Justice Committee, November 16, 2012, regarding "DWV Delegation" (Referred to Municipal Clerk for response)

- (2) L. Ward, November 19, 2012, regarding "Drainage problems 445 North Oxley Street/District property"
- (Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response) (3) Hollyburn Ridge Assn (HRA), Nov 22 re "HRA Proposal to integrate 7 DWV cabins to Hollyburn Heritage Cabin Cmnty" (Referred to Director of Parks and Community Services for consideration and response)
- (4) M. Carter, November 22, 2012, regarding "Spending"

(Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)

Received for Information

(5) October 30, 2012, regarding "Ambleside Farmers Market"

(6) 10 submissions, dated November 18 – 22, 2012, regarding Marine Drive Development

(7) H.Y. Louie Co. Ltd., Nov 15, re Fresh St. Market at 1650 Marine Drive – Opening Postponed Until Early January 2013 Responses to Correspondence

- (8) DirEngg, Nov 16, response to R. Wyckham re "Spirit Trail from John Lawson Park to Dundarave, A Key Ingredient in the Reinvigoration of Ambleside" (9) Director of Planning, Lands and Permits, November 20, 2012, response regarding "Cel Towers"

## Council Correspondence Update to November 27, 2012 (4:30 pm)

Referred for Action

(1) R. Richards, November 23, 2012, regarding "Wasteful expenditure" (Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response) (2) R. Richards, November 26, 2012, regarding "2013 water rates"

(Referred to Director of Engineering and Transportation for consideration and response)

(3) United Home Automation Ltd., November 24, 2012, regarding "A call to stop making obsolete brand new homes" (Referred to Dir/Planning for consideration and response) (Atts available for viewing in Legislative Services Dept) Received for Information

- (4) Committee and Board Meeting Minutes West Vancouver Memorial Library Board October 17, 2012
- (5) Union of BC Municipalities, November 20, regarding "Local Government Contract Management Committee Meeting"
  (6) Island Pacific School, November 24, 2012, regarding "Thanks for Bus Help"
  (7) 3 submissions, dated November 25-26, 2012, regarding Ambleside Development Revitalization
  (8) 2 submissions, dated November 26-27, 2012, regarding 1300 block of Marine Drive

- (9) Village of Belcarra, Nov 26, regarding "Kinder Morgan Emergency Response Plans Oil Spills Into Burrard Inlet".

#### 18. OTHER ITEMS

Ccl has requested that the following correspondence be brought fwd for discussion, and may propose a motion if Ccl considers that further action is required.

# **18.1. October 30, 2012, regarding "Ambleside Farmers Market**" CC: will make brief; last session in Oct; raised also with me potential solutions; 14th St worked quite well; if Grosvenor site not av, too small

presume we can guarantee not construction

not much bathroom space, walking along, not in FBG

a mbr of the Amb Biz Assn [upset about] number of food carts

spoke to other biz and felt 3 hrs a week [not a prob]; will draw ppl

so xxx

Mayor: so this letter will be referred to staff

ML: terms under wch xxx food cart sales operate

BL: establishing the Farmers' Mkt in the long term, approp we look at; long term

Sop: that was my concern; BC-grown, arts and crafts

expansion, is that xxx? we too will have food carts; if ev xxx comes along wants to expand something on a Sat and Sun, point is if it gets out of hand, it gets out of hand

Mayor: staff coming back to Ccl

## Sop: read the letter too and spoke to Cclr Lewis too

Mayor: always good that two cclrs agree

NG: xxx; recently received a letter from H Y Louie

pushing to open before Xmas but due to unforeseen issues, pushed to January 2013; thought public shd know that; hoping for Jan

Mayor: turkey? you'll be happy to learn the British Butcher [Shop] has just opened up {yum}

## **19. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

# NAME?: petition from all the nbrs Mayor: hold you to three minutes

Ans: applied and received Variance Permit in 2010; huge struggle; inspection currently xxx; set of plans did not comply with bldg code; still not getting

Planning ...

{??? can't hear} asking Ccl, saying not the way to do biz; investigate and see what went wrong final xxx on the house deficiencies, don't believe there are; what are these issues? briefly [holds up MAP]; address in red are ones in blue backing on v confusing nbrhd; some lots do not have access my house is the grey one here, yellow -- these go in front to access 100% support this is wrong, get it fixed; asking Ccl to consider the proposal Mayor: thank you for that; will read the literature at some point in town Ans: this house is difficult to visualize paper; reasons it had to be built this way Mayor: anybody else? Bruce McArthur: sitting back listening to the sound fence engg, look into sound fence for the truck brake stall -- - eventually erected a short barrier maybe some research into how that was established Mayor: thank you for that suggestion 20. Adjournment [9:39]

## === CCL MTG NOTES Monday December 10 ===

#### 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order.

2. Approval of December 10, 2012 Regular Council Meeting Agenda

adding to Item 6 one written submission;
 adding to Item 15, Items 15.1 – 15.3;

3. Adoption of Minutes

November 19, 2012 regular Council Meeting; and November 26, 2012 special Council Meeting.

#### DELEGATIONS

#### 4. WV Secondary School Recycling Club regarding Battery Recycling Program (File: 0055-01)

Mayor: welcome, Club

{Joanne and Jessie, two of 24 mbrs} Joanne: thank you; some background; aim for WV to become {best?} in Canada why? heavy metals; keep out of landfills; can leach; cadmium causes cancer; slide presentation collect and educate; imp to recycle batteries; zinc and magnesium taken out founded last Christmas; spreading awareness, pictures 1750 lbs of batteries; need a stable recycling xxx WV .29% of recycling in Canada but .13% popn container like this Jessie: lazy, ppl can just recycle downstairs schools; chn passionate about saving the envmt; cooperate with other schools pick up batteries ev week Joanne: Map of where we collect; SLIDE showing where we cannot reach (above Upper Levels and some coloured areas in WV) Main ppl we cannot reach: "working class in single house", {exactly what she said (slight accent); listened a couple of times to get} "they will not have chn and mainly they will not shop in WV" have more apt mgrs open up to us; "the mgr think not presentable" recycled cardboard box in lobby orange one from Home Depot; need more promotion material Permission: spreading awareness letters regarding our location, in particular to all apt mgrs put our website on District website; permission for reg info booth at cmnty ctr and the Library NSh be a common battery colln area Everyone do a little, help a little CC: think it's wonderful what you're doing one of the best presentations, you finished with a list of what wanting us to do provide to us in writing TP: when did you start? Ans: last Dec, so 11 mos TP: can't wait for next year; as a cmnty, work to do to get from 1.9 to 2.3 Ans: see a battery container and just put it in there TP: we have stewardship groups and work with our staff mgr Mayor: did notice our staff making notes so can respond to some of your requests DepCAO: happy to take list and make actionable NG: something for our new mgr of sustainability next year, huh? We take it to the Library [7:16] Mayor: passes unanimously and xxx 5. Reports from Mayor and Councillors on Boards, Committees, and Working Groups TP: first mtg of Upper Lands tomorrow night, open to public

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See Mr McArthur in the audience Public has received complaints re hours at Lib during Christmas so have extended them CC: mtg of Website WG last Thurs; two consultants: one doing structure and other design {have read the webpage and the October mtg notes and there's no mention of a consultant for structure, but then the mbrs aren't on the webpage and the Dec mtg is not on the DWV Calendar, and......} sort lively discussion; groupings -- how citizens group and items we have on website; info as process goes forward there's opps first of all anyone can attend, on website and opp to test drive the website imp public get involved; won't know unless cmnty gets involved NG: last Thurs attended Spirit Trail HBay consultation; spirited disc; 60 ppl there, into ten diff groups surprising consistent results from all the groups; look forward to staff report in new year Some of the cclrs will be switching I've been on LCAC for past year, Cclr Sop will be taking over and I'll be taking over for the Invasive Plant WG ML: M&Ccl hv been invited to a Menorah lighting ceremony on Wed at 6pm sure find it informative, and enlightening (HAHA] MAB: Ch of Comm [7:21] Sop: through Dec, Operation Red Nose -- call and we'll drive Mayor: have Cclr Sop drop you off at your door last Sat, Christmas lunch at Srs' Ctr Sunrise, xxx, xxx, Mulgrave Choir entertaining 6. Development Variance Permit Application No. 12-072 (6298 Wellington Avenue) (File: 1010-20-12-072) At the Nov 19 reg mtg Ccl received the report dated Nov 6, and set the date for consideration for Dec 10, 2012. Reports received up to and including December 6, 2012: Nov 6 Report for Ccl Consideration Nov 19 and Dec 10 Written Submissions received up to and including December 6, 2012: None to date SSch: one submission received today GB: SLIDE showing proposed addition proceeded to construct it and then discovered a mistake xxx [7:22] Bd of V declined; economic hardship not considered a hardship SLIDE showing wch support applicants, the Brocks are present ML: didn't see any letters in opposition Sop: maybe someone will give you a tape measure PRESENTATION BY APPLICANT CALL FOR PUBLIC INPUT TP made the motion: all written and verbal submissions be received for information. I want to say BoV by the books this is unfortunate; happened last year so happens from time to time {hm, oh my, hm, I wonder why.....} xxx ... lots of trees remain app ppl being a little more sensitive CC:... letters writing in is remarkable this is amazing; a good deal of good will in the nbrhd not the fault of the applicants; see no basis -- see clear hardship maybe see the BoV commended with amt of consultation NG: similar to Cclr Cam's; impressed by letters am sure you'll be able to have some great nbrhd barbecues Sop: spoke to xxx [7:29], he's upset house sitting higher than the rest MAB: truly believe it was an accident; owners ended up with less ceiling think they've done everything right the DVP wch wd allow for an increase in the maximum allowable building height so that a roof constructed on the existing house can be retained, be approved. Mayor: carries unanimously 7. [5-Year] Financial Plan Bylaw No. 4743, 2012 (File: 1610-20-4743) The proposed bylaw received first reading at the December 3, 2012 regular Council Meeting. Mayor: Mr Koke, your moment to shine {wonder why there's been no mention he's taking over from the CFO (Nina Leemhuis) who goes on leave of absence January 1st.} **MK: budget book;** wd like to run through process allowed to spend for one-time issue discussion at open house; CFO gave out budget book in Nov; FCmte discussed BCF

Nov 13 presentation; Nov 14 and 21st two budget open houses; Nov 26 most recent version -- this has the adjustment of \$800K [7:32] xxx

three internal discussions by staff

Dec 3 first reading; hope 2nd and 3rd readings tonight and adopted Dec 12 more than confident met our obligations 2014 - 2017 forecasting estimates: PSB, facilities systems renewal as well as roads and transportation a few changes from the original budget book; you've all recvd these \$814K for renewal -- from Lib Budget; removal of rlwy crossings \$300K adjustment re salaries WVPD reduced xxx funding for those expenses 2014 - 17, included in bylaw added \$750K ea year for new construction \$1.1M increased: fees and charges by 2%; licence and permits 5%; TWay lease 4% per year Div 1.25% for salaries and steps capital plans prepared by staff Sop: p58 re Endowment Fund; other civic facilities yet EndFund has not commitment MK: funding toward EF; the actual balance will be \$25M; holding \$ from Wetmore Prop Sop: it's rev sources Mayor: just goes to [7:37] Sop: but it says to 17 MK: not using NL: in 2013 we're not proposing to use funds at this point budget amendment any spending out of the EndFund has to come before Ccl? NL: always CC: tonight a request for staff re PSB; oh, sorry about that TP: looking back since 2010; want to be clear in operating; increase for taxpayers re utilities; concern going fwd Mayor: you have a crystal ball, Mr Koke MK: xxx; intend to do a lot of work for 2013; intend to to do a lot of modelling CC: on p 57, levies by other govts, increase of ~20% {&???} TransLink and Metro over years MK: straight flow-through so doesn't have an impact CC: but on [what they pay]; \$2.5M increase MK: partly driven by capital requests; adjust the rates as to the reqmts CC: possibly acctg changes but goes from [7:41] from x to y 2015 a hell of a lot more work than rev two years MK: that 's correct CC: same -- infrastructure, seems to fluctuate quite a bit but just the nature Mayor: discussion? ML: questions first? CALL FOR PUBLIC INPUT [7:43] Mayor: no mbr signed up ML: Ms Scholes, wd you like this all at once or in three bullets? MClk: clauses can just be moved in one motion ML: I recommend {he means 'move'} that the Five-Year Financial Plan, Bylaw 4743, 2012, be amended at second reading to provide that it is effective January 1st 2013 , and that the 5Yr 4743, be read a second time as amended, and the FYFP be read a third time. Once again work done, public/FCmte mtgs [etc, the process], we have landed on a budget we can be proud of imp to note in a 5-yr in reality years 3, 4, 5 are best guesstimates ... change over time v supportive of this doc Sop: thank you and congrats to Ms L and the whole time; incredible job NG: I asked staff to best of their knowledge about other jurisdictions other Ms, the annual anticipated tax increase 1.75 to 6% -- ours will be a [net?] zero almost all Ms before end of year and adoption Jan to Mar ours this week is a historical moment; thx to staff a year ago all elected, many of us on platforms of fiscal efficiency and effectiveness and this budget shows we've made excellent progress [7:45] MAB: congrat staff and thank cmnty; relatively smooth process did introduce an add'I planning tool, priorities; they did act on that hope to next year movement on core services review; going to the cmnty on some questions around that for staff's use, some key indicators, take some measurements; excited about that while we did maintain a zero..... we did go into this with a \$2M surplus wch is a 5% there was no reason, given we had a surplus I do have -- going to cmnty; plan for facility/facilities system a plan \$79M over next 20 years -- ought to ask how pay for that operating up 5%, cd maintain b/c rev up comfortable with this budget and look fwd to future and being more strategic TP: I have never supported zero in the past; some concerns; will support it tonight; have to ask how we do renew our facilities in July but think wise to defer it and get good feedback b/c it's substantial concern of xxx [7:49] ackn a few things: our labour costs, we're coming off Olympic increases of 4%; still a legacy showing up but not

for next five years last resort envmtal position, posted, has been vacant for some time key this is across all depts so not sort of issues we had up on the mtn in July what does this look like five years from now -- deficiencies and deferral \$6M taken out to get zero xxx; surplus from building; will be change implemented by capable staff; binder; wise decision as Cclr Lewis likes to say every year staff getting better and better Most Ms looking at our Asset Mgmt thank you, well done, I will support Mayor: [will be] short -- Bob Dylan said it best; there's a hard rain a-comin' this is not the time to be raising taxes xxx ev govt... we're rightly having our cloth to fit our means. 8. Coach House Discussion Paper (File: 2515-02) {GB and SM gave background, definitions re coach house vs infill; SLIDES} [7:58] See westvancouver.ca/housing welcome other opps second quarter, cmnty survey Sop: glad this is working forward when you talk about alternate forms, is this the only form you're looking at? SM: coach houses are a singular time and based on a direction from Ccl the paper speaks to diff types; also speaks to others as rental housing and more as xxx [8:01] so discussion in the cmnty may be more than coach houses Sop: others may be as legitimate as a coach house on Jefferson there are two units connected by a heated xxx look at others -- this will be a broad stroke wanted to ask you if in your view, a referendum question Mayor: Ms Boyle GB: coach houses are one way; disc with cmnty will inform directions coach houses typically wd not go to referendum; not an expert but in my experience never seen it handled that way the example on Jefferson is excellent this, can you go further, and that's what it's about Sop: don't know what but if effect on nbrhd character Mayor: Ms Boyle is not an expert on referendums so that's hardly fair MAB: explain -- coach, laneway, granny flats GB: all those terms fit in the larger term, infill housing if you are simply using the density you already have on your prop, called coach if expanding, then infill demand where ppl move; demand is outstripping supply for certain forms of housing do want to hear from cmnty Ev in this cmnty shd be participating in this process cmnty engagement process imp; do use ask staff to look to 21st century modes of accessing cmnty whether that be website or social media there are groups who don't have the time to come out to these events; tied to their computers know you have a tel survey planned, useful on the PSB a lot of residents we like to hear from ??? Mayor: not sure of your question GB: can assure you we'll be meeting with the xxx beyond the x forum [8:07] CC: will do together; move 1. The Discussion Paper, attached as Appendix 'A' to the report from the Mgr of Cmnty Planning and the Sr Cmnty Planner, dated Nov 30, provide the basis for cmnty engagement on coach houses; and 2. Staff report back to Ccl, at a Cmte of the Whole mtg in mid-2013, on the results of the engagement process, including possible directions supported by the cmnty. Cclr Booth alluded to this ... young under 34, 86% moving away; attached? housing; moved b/c cd not find something suitable in cmnty; xxx reason why our apt bldgs chockful real need for diversity of housing types; do not have an acceptable housing xxx we have spoken to the public; applaud staff more dialogue however we have spoken to the public: cmnty dialogue, old wishing to downsize xxxx and xxxx special needs, assisted living clear need and desire by our cmnty for more when we did a survey Synovate, heard clear support for more housing options, more affordable, 1100sf coach/infill houses on existing lots, not just sec stes last page of the report: we move forward referendum has no place in this sort of discussion; clear need

not engaging in endless study and prevaricating

{since prevarication is akin to lying, don't think that's really the word he means}

#### staff shd be commended

p15 bring to cmnty's attention

process needs to be efficient and clear

go through with out? years and tens of thousands of dollars status quo will x; that will be a failure

redistributing FAR

if elderly couple 2000sf lot, permits 5Ksf instead of selling to a devpr -- wd be disruptive to the character -- they'd have the option to put in a coach house

retain nbrhd character; retain residents, enable them to age in place, stay with families

prudent; staff moving in a great direction

process -- hope by mid2013 staff wd report but also here's how you go forward, xxx certainly before this Ccl ends TP: good work so far; [8:15]

issue with the missing middle but fully supportive

Sop: disagree with you on the referendum

350 units Onni; sec stes [all M]; xxx in Brit Prop, xxxx; xxx at Kiwanis; and decision at PkR two towers, FN 9000 [units] my point is if we establish not only the coach house, alt forms of housing, it's going to have a direct impact on this cmnty

neg responses from Vanc and NV; horror stories from xxx re infill [8:17]

?as Mab eve have say ?

wd like to see b/c of impact, see a referendum; if 100 units over five years, okay xxx some are not going to like it

last year highest new bldgs in history

wanting to live and die in their own home; bedroom cmnty; character for years certainly know imagery

intro of coach houses, if public wants it, that's fine

explore to full xxx; to do any less wd be irresponsible

NG: thank staff for this, was expecting next year

agree with Cclr Cam pretty well all; look forward to cmnty engagement

ML: the purpose of this evening is to start the journey

a whole lot of commentary now I don't find productive; hear public

xxx; xxx putting biases on the table.

[8:19]

9. Rezoning Application No. 12-050 for 1821 Marine Drive (West Van Florist) - Proposed Zoning Bylaw No. 4662, 2010, Amendment Bylaw No. 4736, 2012 (File: 1010-20-12-050) GB: increase allowable FAR from 1.75 to 2.0

#### SLIDE re location

rezoning sep from Devt Permit

future locn; current owners no intention of being the devprs of the prop

owners came b/c C2 replaced by AC2 xxx

did they lose density -- overhead prepared by Karl Gustavson showing how cd to previous zoning

FAR of 2 reasonable; one assumption 2 to 3 storeys on MDr (prev guideline)

the question before you is, is this reasonable to move forward with 2.0?

wd a CAC apply?

wd at time of Devt Permit, based on 2 and formula currently in the bylaw if tomorrow, that wd be \$750K

#### indexing so two years hence a diff amt

Karl G here to answer any questions

KG: Ms Boyle has made most of my points

the applicants long-standing biz, just asking for a reasonable xxx on the prop

purpose to re-establish the density lost in 2008 when C2 to AC2

hv done a lot of work in this cmnty and know

conclusion 2.0 is achievable; does not require an OCP amendment

simply asking an increase in density 2.0 --> AC2

this prop falls into category of max ht of 35'

1.2' bigger wd be 47ft and two storeys; xxx when analysis done hardship CAC -- know great struggle -- ev devpr came with a diff

didn't anticipate 1.75 to xxx doesn't work

Harringtons seeing interest in their prop at 2.0 +

think this will become a problem

\$750K signif amt of money

potential ... ; asking you to look at it carefully

ML: AC2 in 2008 any particular reason waited till 2012 to come forward

this is unusual and almost prepackaging the sale for the prop making it more attractive to the purchaser b/c know what can build or new owner wd hv to ask

odd, certainly unique KG: long 2008 loss of value

been working on this for a year and a half Mayor: do recall owner felt he was being downzoned at that time {yes, true; I remember also.} **CC: what wd be the diff of the land value from present to 2.0** 

{v good question.

In fact it shd hv bn in the staff report!

The intention or practice is/was that for proposed changes, the Uplift amt shd be given.

(The Uplift applies to the increase in the land value. Higher density of course increases the value b/c of what can be built.)}

KG: not prepared to answer that

{Wonder why not, hm?

As an architect he obviously knows. Obviously, admitting the increase in value wd not help his

argument, however.

Why wdn't staff step in and say or why not ask staff???}

from 2008 at 1.75 nothing has happened; Grosvenor is 3.0 recognize there's a problem with the plan; seems this wd be reasonable CC: 1.75, and 2.0 failure? KG: loss of devt potential CC: ecic viability; not asking about viability; nil at 1.75 but totally at 2.0?

{he caught that return}

KG: has been interested at 2.0 Sop: sounds like a bit of a sales job to me

{he lobbed that one too}

prior to mtg 21st, why are we doing first reading? GB: first reading before public hearing Sop moved:

1. Zoning Bylaw ..., for property located at 1821 Marine Dr attached to the report from the Sr Cmnty Planner and the Mgr of Cmnty Planning dated Nov 29 be introduced and read a first time; and

[unanimous] 2. The M Clerk be directed to give statutory notice that a **Public Hearing** is **scheduled for Monday January 21** CC: wondering about 1.75 not and 2.0 [8:33]

wonder if approach on a case by case basis or Amb

GB: asked applicant to demonstrate potential of lost density

did; if others came forward wd all same

this xxx is a good one xxx

have we got it right, density we're looking at?

CC: so your answer is you're going to look at that?

Sop: recall the owner at that time; upset he got caught; many small bldgs cd come forward odd prop that needs a bit of a look

you know Ms Boyle/Booth? there are bldgs and many years and not going to change; this prop shd be looked at look fwd

MAB: have a look at this as part of the larger picture

tenants in the more dilapidated parts of Amb

landlords sitting on their props six-month leases; waiting to find out [height, Grosvenor]

what makes it economically appealing

6mo leases do not encourage investment or longterm

that's why more than we can ever use in nail salons and xxx [8:37]

Mayor: it'll be coming back Jan 21st PH; motion carries; anybody want to speak to that? no one, will call question

*{didn't catch who against; will have to check minutes when they come out for Jan 14 mtg}* Mayor: don't need a motion; Ccl interest in what's going on; will be coming back with suggestions look at what we have currently in place for Amb [8:38]

**10.** Applicability of a Community Amenity Contribution for the Rezoning and Development Permit Application No. 12-059 for 1455 Bellevue Avenue (File: 1010-20-12-059) RECOMMENDED MOTION (was tabled):

THAT the proposed rezoning and Devt Permit for the Walker Building, advance in the devt approval process based on a CAC not being applied where additional floor area for office space is being created.

GB: SLIDE, called Walker Place (late 80s) fairly signif renovation adding 14K sf increase is nec; [SLIDE] shows the height Staff has not yet completed the full review of this prop; just this part to ensure ev has the same understanding re CAC policy recognized scale, reflect size of project but to OCP and objectives ecic activity vital to revitalization speaks to ecic revitalization Amb Vision Strategy AC1 and AC2 and had density bonusing built in highest rate charged for resid only proj and lowest for resid comm; no rate for all comm

{that's what you get with biz ppl on a cmte; I always suggest and fight to have ratepayer/resident representation -- and sometimes successful!

OTOH, it is reasonable commercial as the third category be lower still -- but not get off scot-free! There is Uplift after all.}

key component of revit; stimulus from ofc the applicant is present to address Ccl IMayor: welcome back, Ms Walker

[Former Cclr] Shannon Walker: our architect discovered to our surprise CACs do not apply to commercial bldgs done a little bit of research and CACs don't apply to any commercial projects anywhere in MetroV

{Sorry, but NOT TRUE. GP's research found that eight of the 14 Metro Vancouver municipalities apply CAC policy to commercial bldgs. We are perturbed by the attempts to mislead Ccl, the misinformation, and the "creative" use of language in Ms Walker's presentation.}

#### so it wd set a precedent

also not charged on renovations, this isn't a newbuild; it's an enhancement, and expansion on our current bldg you've all been in the building; 25 years old, starting to fail

assessment done yr and a half ago, got to go through some major renovations: to fix the envelope, to replace mechanical systems....

8 mos ago approached by a tenant, want to move from downtown to NSh; wants 10Ksf; can't get that in WV; only soln b/c want to be in our bldg, is to expand.

opp to bring in a new ofc with 50 to 60 ppl, spending money in our cmnty, and for the retailers on Bellevue and MDr, so imp

we've calculated what the Uplift in prop tax to the District will be ~ \$100K a year

#### {oops! that's NOT what Uplift is! Uplift is the increase in value of the land as a result of upzoning. Any increase in tax revenue is not called Uplift.

figure pegging \$1-200K from ppl spending money in the cmnty, restaurants, and retailers...

{let's see. Say 50 ppl spending \$150K = so each spending a little over \$3K each a year on Bellevue and MDr? and if shoppers can't find parking, how many \$ not spent?}

huge start in revitalization of Ambleside, and since I know it's this Ccl's commitment to see something happen in Amb; this project is key

opp that doesn't come along v often

read quote from a city planner in Vancouver

wrt CACs on ofc we have not been taking any; the Bentell project on Thurlow, the ofc component on Telus Garden, the Credit Suisse devt, and the Oxford devt have all been approved by Ccl with no CACs payable.

#### {Sorry; just not true! GP has bn doing the research and will present \$s in January. Briefly, \$millions!}\_

quite frankly we're v happy and lucky to just have the added job capacity and tax base and I think that says it all on the process of the CAC evaluation

I'd love to get into the debate on the rezoning, but I know that's not my place any more, but I certainly wd be happy to sit on that WG

b/c it's time, and to your point Cclr Cam, if you want to see a shovel in the ground, if you want to see something happen, Ccl has to take a stand and say we're committed to Amb and we're going to support the retailers, the servicers [?], and landlords in the nbrhd to get things done.

thank you [8:45] Mayor: sounds like you're campaigning

[laughter]

SW: no, I'm not

Mayor: conclude your presentation? b/c someone to speak

George Pajari: Thank you very much, Your Worship.

Mayor and Council.

My name is George Pajari and I live at 2545 Queens Avenue.

With respect to this matter of Community Amenity Contribution, I urge Council to move Option 3 of the staff report and deny the application to waive CAC.

I'll remind Council that your policy states "the value of the amenity being provided shall reflect a percentage of the increased value of the land" [Section 2.5 of DWV's Public Amenity Contribution Policy #02-80-303] It mentions nothing about exemptions for business.

It says nothing about the policy only applying to certain types of buildings and not to others.

It clearly states that amenity contributions "shall reflect a percentage of the increased value of the land". And let's take a look at what's being asked for.

The developer has a building that currently has an FAR of 1.44. This already exceeds the maximum already permitted for this zone. The report is misleading when it states that the maximum is 1.75. If you go back and read the AC zoning bylaw it states the maximum is 1.0 but, in certain circumstances, it may be increased above 1.0. So this building is already in excess of the maximum that Council wishes to see, except in extenuating circumstances. And they are asking to increase it from the already 1.44 to 2.16. This is a 50% increase in the density of this lot. The land, just the land under this building, under its current zoning, is worth almost \$8 million. So it is not unreasonable to suggest that with prime waterfront commercial land that if you increase the density by 50%, the value of the land alone might go up by 50%. So we're looking at a requested increase in density worth up to \$4 million.

And so what is the recommendation in the report?

That there be an amenity of, say, 75%? 50%?

No! The report suggests you give it away.

\$4 million dollars [worth of bonus density] for nothing!

And how did they arrive at this astounding conclusion?

Because buried in the zoning bylaw it provides a formula for amenity contribution based on square footage for residential, and for mixed residential/commercial. But there is no formula for entirely commercial buildings. One might think that if there is no formula, then the other part of your policy applies, the part that says you look at how much the land value increases and you base your amenity on that and not on square footage.

But no! Your report says, no formula -- no amenity.

Isn't that like walking into Future Shop and seeing a big-screen TV without a price tag and walking out the door with it because it's got no price tag, it must be free.

So I ask you to reject the application and that you ask staff to meet with the applicant to come up with a fair amenity contribution. It doesn't have to be money, I think some of the comparisons made in the presentations to other situations in which no money was turned over where not necessarily reasonable as other contributions of a non-financial nature were made, which is perfectly acceptable under your policy.

But please stick to your policy which says if you are giving up millions in Uplift {CBs}, you'd like something back for the community. So option 3, deny the [application].

Thank you very much. [8:49]

CC: seems to me CAC policy doesn't speak to diff land use

GB: correct; doesn't mention

{CC catches it; GB doesn't put in her report}

CC: GP took us through ... ; looks like policy you can read into it what you want

{One reader commented: The policy is less than three pages long. Planning staff not clear?}

AC2, calculation is contained

GB: zoning bylaw deals with AC1 and AC2

CC: 100% comm not mentioned

GB: correct

resid highest rate, mixed comm a lower rate; so clearly consideration given to land use CC: presumably comm lesser

#### {eminently reasonable}

when AC1 zoning was passed; was there a consideration behind 100%

when something is absent in law, it was an oversight or intentional?

GB: wish I cd quote from a report

the consistency in devt and planning; land uses and revit???

those things all fall together; 100% wd bring jobs and xxx

CC: confirm other Vanc and Ms charging?

GB: afraid I'm not, wd hv to do a survey

{another good question -- why survey not done? they only asked Vancouver a specific question. Took me over 15 years to get a DWV Ccl to admit there was such a thing as Uplift. One of the examples I used was in fact from Vancouver. They gave me an instance in wch they charged 110% for CBs (Cmnty Benefits). Surprised, I asked why. They said b/c Uplift applies only to the resulting increase in the value of the land and this devt was in hte millions so they wd make a lot on the actual structure. FYI, the percentage I suggested in WV was 75% -- a reasonable amt in my view to be paid to residents. The devpr wd have to pay the full amt to buy the property with the upzoning, so devprs are still getting a 25% discount and taxpayers/residents get some recompense for permitting/agreeing to the upzoning..... Sound good to you?}

TP: ask the applicant if there's a CAC, whether jeopardize the project

#### {what a leading question: gimme gimme}

SW: taking off facade not same revenue for ofc; not ecic uplift for the landlord

{er, um, not the question}

trying to keep our tenants in biz during renov xxx; rain screen technology chance to retrofit the building; enhance and make it more sustainable solar panels, piping so down back lane for M ... ; enhancement **TP: any conversation around in-kind amenities? solar etc above what we expect?** SW: we've tried to reach out [electric] car charging; car charge in the back of the bldg; still an option; bike racks gain in sustainable **time, some things have to happen in Amb; given the zoning, v difficult** Sop: xxx go fwd to the applicant? GB: wd defer to SWalker SW: don't know what the xxx wd be GB: \$750K

{is \$750K the magic CAC amt this week? WVF is only going from 1.75 to 2.0 and GB said the CAC amt wd be \$750K The Walker Building is 1.44FAR now (1.0 is allowed presently but can go to 1.75 in certain cases) however this increase is to 2.16FAR -- a 50% increase! Not only is it a much greater upzoning than WVF, strange to mention the same CAC \$ amt, but also even

SW: then we wdn't do it

ludicrous to recommend NO cmnty amenities!!!}

{implied blackmail? In any case, if they don't think purchasing the extra density is worth it, then unwise. Shd not expect simply to be given a gift, paying the community/residents nothing. OTOH, seems reasonable that the formula be something like 3X for residential, 2X for resid/comm combined, and 1X for commercial -or something similar.....}

Sop: since 2008 bn a v unique building, one of the most modern; that's public amenity to some degree what I see, see in future; space in front takes away space from the owner see any in-kind ? SW: streetscapes opp surrounding the bldg, and in the back lane (cd hv bn enhanced) participate in streets head ofc for 25 yrs, wd like it to be for next 25 years; something v special to live and work in WV cd rent out ev day; one of the lowest rates in LM we don't have; easiest way to attract ppl Mayor: being asked to go to

{if THEY choose!! (ie Ccl). Aren't WV's biz taxes about the lowest in the Lower Mainland? (Belcarra's are lower, but they're so v tiny.)}

GB: yes Mayor: perfect MAB: does the CAC speak to new rather than renovations

{Some consider calling a 50% increase in density a "renovation" is a creative use of language :-)}

GB: interesting question; new rather than redevt; so may be gap in zoning

{Well, I guess Does seem to indicate that that doc was not completely or properly designed/written....}

{rather bold request!}

MAB: am in favour of revitalizing Amb

{we all are! that's not debatable -- it's what kind, how much, and paying residents a proportion of the increase in value being granted.}

do believe best use of existing land within the OCP; tolerance for add'l density Walker ofc bldg prob'ly the nicest of bldgs we have; not surprised the report spoke to fairness, whether downzoning? compelling for sure not as clear on, looking for further from staff whether CACs are applied in Metro to comm props not clear on new vs reno when rezoning granted? that increases density there's a [9:04] xxxxx local govt and a devpr unfortunately not a lot of historical context; CAC not all that clear {Not clear? but not rocket science -- the policy is less than three pages.....} if it was intentionally excluded what was the rationale; as a lawyer I wd have liked to see not b/c of x, y, and x ??? so have to guess wch leaves me uncomfortable need more info; not convinced it shd be applied Sop: agree with MBooth a policy not more than 3 to 5 years; whether the policy spells out ev amenities came in about the time of the zoning my hopes staff wd enlighten us with this possible look at in-kind solns, wd help in future; sure we're not clear on this policy hy seen devts in the past with diff formulas have upset me this one comes along and no xxx CAC benefit is ofc space, design, xxx does that make up for money? this Ccl with three or four new, that policy spells out NG: confused; you two moved and seconded, so now against, not clear Mayor: don't need to be clear :-) NG: ? CC: hear Booth requesting a variance, asking add'l information Mayor; read Mayor: as written; recommended NG: b/c I didn't get my questions in earlier a compelling argument for many reasons; intellectually and otherwise difficult haven't thought about it as long as we need to what about a precedent? compelling for this locn; owners perhaps willing amenity later {???} floodgates GB: first -- dealing with Amb; from a broad policy; standard approach for the thinking have that sort of consistency as in the case of Grosvenor rest of Amb; certainty was the approach haven't surveyed the other Ms; certainly something we can bring forward

#### {why not done in preparation for Ccl's (obvious and easily anticipated) questions?}

or proj allowed to go forward and next xxx??? to Ccl NG: interested in some arguments ... re land value GB: xxx Mayor: one possible -- table?

{another good suggestion to break the logjam}

Sop so move CC: second? ML: xxx couple while interesting to know about other Ms we have an applicant wants to make xxxxx you have told us CACs do not apply to xxx {hm... were you listening? -- didn't the developer tell you that, not staff?}

whether or not that's approp is a discussion for another day issue, to provide some clarity whether this applies and I haven't heard that it does that being the case; I don't know why we wd not pass this

#### {ML wants to give away increased density free??? In any case, MAB will clarify why}

the bigger challenge will be around change the roles is another discuss playing by the rules this CcI by default or omission, but they are what they are {er, um, they're NOT playing by the rules -- if they were, they wdn't need a rezoning, would they? in any case, what's Ccl's interpretation or will???}

Mayor: reality is... not [sure?] **several spoke and all request further information** Mayor: xxx SSch: xxx Mayor: do you want to speak to tabling motion? Sop: opening out ... that's approp **rather table and have info; rather than turn it down; tabling will get back as quickly as poss** xxx; maybe answer Mr [Pajari?] SSch: xxx ML: debate on SSch: can we debate on tabling?

{interesting; she says can; a recent change b/c previously as soon as tabling was moved, it was just the vote, no discussion allowed.}

CC: ML sensitive some but the amt of time I wd prefer to have ackn to comm space has to be thought xxx need a break for comm builders totally without doubt, merely gone and done what the policy says

#### {of course}

no shenanigans about the request; better practice to have a policy change or not, make it clear; policy we have is totally inadequate new vs reno -- adding floors new, paving? a reno adding density -- obviously a new bldg <u>adding signif density</u> <u>better practice to come forward with a clear policy and then vote</u> mindful of the policy <u>confusing talking about in-kind if proponent willing to do that</u> {isn't that a big IF? how many owners wd willingly pay/give money over to M?} compromise in-kind or in dollars; totally acceptable soln {maybe so, but surely negotiated -- and in public} don't want to put this off but case of getting clarity

not against the concept of this proposal or giving comm a break, but shd do in a logical motion {yup!} Mayor: on tabling TP: not opp earlier opps for in-kind; in light of the ecic benefit but we're not exploring that at this situation lot of issues don't have to do; longstanding biz leaders in xxx brought that fwd [9:21]

Mayor: I'm not going past 10 o'clock MAB : [want to?] hear some clear staff wd not have brought this to us if it were clear

#### {nailed it! Exactly. Wd just have proceeded, no question, no choice b/c policy}

this is just interpreting; staff bringing to us, tells me there isn't clarity, that's why if clear we'd have DP

{yup!}

TABLED

Mayor: give staff some direction for January xxx [9:24] **11. Public Safety Building** (File: 0500-01)

RECOMMENDED: THAT

1. The report entitled "Public Safety Building" dated Dec 3, be received for information.

2. (a) The budget for soft costs for the PSB for Nov and Dec of \$165,000 (excluding HST and as set out in Appendix 1 to the report dated Dec 3) be approved, with **funding to be provided in a manner consistent** with the funding approach previously approved by Council for the PSB project, namely through the net proceeds of sale of District-owned lands which are deposited in the Endowment Fund.

(b) Staff report back to Council with a budget amendment bylaw to amend the 2012 District Budget. 3. (a) The budget for soft costs for the Public Safety Building for all of 2013 of \$3,645,000 (excluding HST and as set out in Appendix 1 to the report dated December 3, 2012) be approved, with funding to be provided in a manner consistent with the funding approach previously approved by Council for the PSB project, namely through the net proceeds of sale of District-owned lands which are deposited in the **Endowment Fund.** 

(b) Staff report back to Council with a budget amendment bylaw to amend the 2013 District Budget. 4. Staff report back to Council in early 2013 with a 2013 budget for hard construction costs for the PSB after a demolition and construction schedule has been prepared by the design team for Council approval.

5. Notwithstanding Ccl's approval on July 23, 2012, of a \$36M target budget for the PSB project, Staff report back to Ccl periodically to request Ccl approval for specific funding releases for each major phase of the project.

6. While the District has confirmed that the entire PSB can be funded through one or a combination of: the Endowment Fund; land sales; other internal financing; financing from the Municipal Finance Authority; or tax. Staff report back to Council in 2013 with a recommended funding source for Council approval for the entire PSB project before entering into any construction contracts and commencing construction.

Mark Chan: made substantial progress; after selection process has engaged Dialogue Architects and Pivotal Project Mgmt for the PSB

They, Staff, and external experts will start on design process

Report sets out background, roles, budget info, funding release, and process for reporting to Ccl and public will speak briefly on four items: the recommended motions; the funding release model; the public reporting process; and next steps.

#### funding for Nov/Dec and all of 2013 = \$3.8M

draw attention to recommended motion No 5 on p1 of the report, relates the funding release model notwithstanding Ccl's approval on July 23, 2012 of a \$36M target budget for the PSB, staff report back to Ccl periodically for specific funding releases for each major phase of the project.

Imp motion b/c even though approved and even soft cost budget tonight, staff cannot spend the total or soft-costs budget

staff must return, repeated in paragraphs 4.16 to 4.18 on p 11

recommends using UBC Properties Trust model; approval required for contracts with Dialogue and Pivot first funding request approved by Ccl in Nov 2012 for \$495K for soft costs up to the end of the schematic design phase After, staff will request a further funding release for soft costs up to the end of construction drawings and add'l funding releases for work thereafter

This stepwise approach as opposed to {a} one-time lump sum funding release approach is designed to enhance Ccl and the District's financial control, and transparency in the budget process

Recs 4 and 6 are also important

Motion No 4 provides staff will come back to Ccl in early 2013, with the 2013 budget for hard construction costs after a demolition and construction schedule hs bn prepared for Ccl's approval

#### Motion No 6 -- project can be funded through a number of options, staff will report back to Ccl in 2013 with a recommended funding source for the entire project before entering into any construction contracts and commencing construction Paragraph 4.19 explains staff reports to Ccl and public monthly

the Report will follow an established template and will provide an update on the status budget and timeline

Paragraph 4.20 sets up the next steps and the main next step if for the design team to prepare massing option; they will be presented to Ccl and the public in early 2013 in an open house led by the architects

The architects will then consider the input from the public, Ccl, staff, and users and devp a recommended massing option for Ccl consideration

We'll report back to Ccl monthly; the next report to Ccl will be in January, and monthly thereafter.

Mayor: thank you; have two mbrs of public wish to speak; does any mbr of Ccl wish to speak?

CC: concerned about amt of money budged, asked to approve for 2013 -- \$3.8M. We've already spent a bit over \$1M so far on the PSB, and we're being asked to allocate notionally, know we need to approve, but another \$3.8M wch put us \$5M into the project

[9:29] think it's fair to say -- suppose q rather than comment

why nec to approve elements past design \$815K; why nec right now to approve construction doc/admin; seems premature to allocate \$2.2M... \$300K ... seems premature to allocate \$2.5M

MC: over \$1M reference to report in last Ccl mtg; that report set out expenditures since 2010 on various initiatives including sale of M lands, and related admin and overhead

costs directly related to PSB on the order of \$200K to reach this approved stage -- one element of your Q and will speak to the others

the report recommends approval of 2013 budget and includes Nov/Dec 2012

that's so we can provide public with a full year budget; the approval of \$3.8M in no way authorizes staff to expend the entire \$3.8M or expend funds wrt creation of construction docs

approval is purely for the budget purpose

we're recommending using the funding release model (used by UBC Prop Trust), means authorization only for \$495K schematic design

after schematic design back for approval; and request approval for next phase, design devt; after that, approval for construction docs; a stepwise approach

#### reason not breaking into small pieces; consistent with overall 2013 budget; compatible approach

3rd, it's conventional and in line with industry practice as it is transparent... understand concern carte blanche therefore No 5

one last point: logistically challenges to break 2013 budget into each of the four phases; wd require an add'l three budget amendment bylaws, each budget amendment bylaw requires two ccl mtgs (three readings and adoption); this means it wd take an add'l one month each time to amend after getting approval for each funding release

Mayor: does that answer your Q?

CC: partially, but you'd have to come back anyway

propose wd only have to come back one time whereas if don't, hv to come back two times

{yup; he caught Chan's exaggeration}

Mayor: think Ms L is going to help us here

NL: one of the issues wit the PSB; we continue to move along in not a fragmented but for a continued

transparency perspective; at this point hv a clear direction; already a bit late b/c brought 2013 forward; we will be coming forward with a budget amendment

clear what the .... around that

[for public?] another level of transparency wch we haven't had to this point only b/c we haven't had clear direction we have now

CC: problem I have, is is it part of the workplan b/c it depends on how we proceed with the PSB, depends on revenue we have, from land sales, if that is the case, there's a sort of contingent element to it not putting the cart before the horse; financial obligations will impact ability to make other decisions clearly NL: think direction clear to move forward with PSB, functional programming schematic design, funding models coming forward

whether to move fwd with the project itself, we have clear direction from Ccl to do so

Sop: not the first time we've done this; came in on budget

[another case] came back when construction cost came back \$5M over

you've done an excellent job spelling out concerns

logically moving forward; into public process; well-researched, you've laid down for me several areas of concerns, answers to

look at infrastructure under the ground so we don't have to move gas lines and other things to the perimeter wch is costly

{thinking of Cmnty Ctr; resulted in higher cost}

#### when the PSB allows for an atrium and connection to this bldg

#### going to have to look for monies for this building...

#### bring in atrium and then what?

#### there are associated costs; going to have some financial feedback on that part

Mayor: that a question? do you want him to confirm that

Sop: want him to confirm what I said wrt the two questions I asked

Mayor: brief; we've got 22 min and we have two mbrs of the public

Sop: I was v short compared to--

Mayor: you've been wonderful, so let's just leave it at that

MC: point one is noted and we will be addressing that; pt two wrt atrium, yes we'll be looking at that and to potential works on this bldg, but as part of a separate project.

Mayor: any more questions for staff or can we hear from the two mbrs of the public. The first one is--

CC: I have one more question for staff

wch is the motion that Ccl made that approves going forward with the construction drawings? part of 2013 workplan **MC: Ccl has not made a motion to specifically approve proceeding with construction drawings** 

Ccl has made motions for staff to authorize/continue with design of the PSB

CC: on July 23rd we said take the next step in the planning process by issuing an RFP for an architect and proj mgmt -that's the last one I remember making a motion on

so that's my concern

NL: also needs to be broader discussion, not this evening, on process -- how construction will go forward natural progression is as Mr Chan has laid it out

Ccl has ability to ask questions and to delve into the details but in terms of getting direction of moving fwd; a motion ev step of the way, that wd be a v diff process from what we envisioned.

CC: I think we need to have a sober point at wch we start incurring costs in the millions to start with construction-type elements; design is one thing, I'm comfortable with that; it's when it turns construction it's a pivotal point, and I'd put construction drawings under that rubric

MC: we'll be coming back after the schematic design phase to ask for approval to proceed with the next phase of design devt \$815K, then constr docs at \$2.2M, and then const admin at \$300K.

understand concern about committing to the project; at this point \$495K before we commence any proj we will come back to Ccl and we will have sev cost estimates -- docs to you for your consideration

Mayor: okay now we have to hear from two mbrs of public. George Pajari -- but I see Carolanne Reynolds is also signed; and then Ccl if we want more debate on this, see mbrs of in the audience here for No. 12 who have sat patiently; if still unclear, we're going to have to table this one too; allow those re Hollyburn Lodge too

Go ahead, Carolanne; sorry, Ms Reynolds

CR: Sorry, I didn't know George had signed up.

I appreciate all the different qualifications Mr Chan's motion had. I had one of the same concerns that Cclr Cameron has mentioned in that if you haven't actually approved the 1300blk, there is a small, I guess you'd say, of uncertainty so the

only question I have for you tonight b/c you confirmed last week that you wd still have options wrt leasing and selling, or selling to them buy other prop whatever, with all of these motions, if it passes tonight, will you still have options whether lease or sale?

MAB: I'm going to recuse myself

[leaves]

Mayor: okay

I don't know where you're going with this, Ms Reynolds, we have an agreement, think we've said 50 times, we have an agreement in place with Grosvenor to sell the prop if Ccl rezones and approves the design. If that doesn't go ahead, we have lots of options, yes.

CR: Right. And several times at the public mtg June 20, cclrs said that they are completely open, they have not made a decision of what they're going to do.

Mayor: our minds are always wide open

CR: all I want to know is, do you still have your options?

Mayor: We always have our options

{Now you know. Told 50 times agreed to sell; then confirms still have options. (!)

So if open mind, leasing's still an option, hm?}

Mr Pajari [9:44]

George Pajari: I'll be very quick now owing to the time. I just want to speak to the issue of the funding model. As your Director of Finance has stated, the discussions of the finance funding model behind the PSB are yet to be canvassed fully and I don't think the community has had an opportunity to discuss this fully. I won't get into my two-minute presentation on why the funding model that we are sliding towards is wrong but I would ask that the funding part of Part 3 of your motion be deferred, in other words, if you elect to proceed with the recommended motion, go right ahead, but remove the part that says you're going to fund it this way or that way, until you have the report from Part 6.

In other words, **I'm very worried about an incremental decision on the funding model**. We're going to fund first \$400,000, then we'll fund \$3,000,000 this way, and we'll end up having funded the whole thing without having explicitly made a decision on the funding model.

So I'm asking Council to take the funding part of Part 3 and defer it until you have the report from Part 6, at which time I will come back and tell you how I think you should fund it. Thank you very much. Mayor: Always happy to hear that.... your advice Mr. Pajari.

*{See George's letter to Council at the start of the Dec 12 ccl mtg notes.}* Mayor: defer; know staff anxious; move or table

CC: I have legal hearing Wed

Mayor: tabled to Wed; motion carries

[9:46]

12. Hollyburn Lodge Restoration Funding Strategy (File: 0591-20-LODGE)

RECOMMENDED: THAT Council receive the DepCAO's report dated Dec 10, and that Council direct that \$150,000 be included in the 2014 budget specifically for Hollyburn Lodge Restoration.

Mayor: will be our last [item]

BL: will be brief; Don Grant reminds me bn waiting 20 years, so three hours not a problem

Report will to move forward, \$1M restoration, desperate need; there is \$100K in a legacy fund; look to fund that in 2014 the proposed construction year; fundraising year 2013 hence the request for the District contribution of \$150K to be funded 2014 but committed now

so \$250K committed roughly a quarter of the funding required to restore the lodge; continue in earnest with mbrs of cmnty and HHS, make sure successful

in 2013 ready for 2014

ML: if fundraising wildly successful, M's \$150K not nec

cd we amend this motion in a manner that reflects that?

Seems odd to me, we're going to go out and do fundraising and if raise \$1M from other sources, why wd District want to BL: full bench press

none of us wd mind that the recomm be amended to up to \$150K but that is a firm commitment, sealing on that ML: my point is, wd like to see more money raised so the draw from the M coffers is reduced

#### b/c if such a great idea, the public shd rally behind it and step up to the mark

starting to look like United Way, our cost of fundraising exceeding revenue we're bringing in

striving for success, amt go to taxpayer is minimized

Mayor: attacked from all sides

Sop: up there 50s and 60s, 70s and 80s, then in 1998--

Mayor: --what about the 30s and 40s?

Sop: wasn't there then; we started the campaign

Iola and Gordon Knight had black hair when we started this consideration; toured it recently; toured it in 1998, up there sev times

passion to take something of heritage value and move along with it; finally got to a consensus the District might receive this as a, what do you call it, Mr Leigh?

#### BL: a heritage asset

Sop: presentations of late; I think we shd go ahead; I know the money will be there

I'm cautious of spending money, as CcIr Lewis and anybody else; this initiative has been hanging around for years; timely, done all the cabin work?

Mayor: are you asking a question or making motion? Sop: gotta give a little plug here MAB or TP?: happy to put motion on the floor Sop: go ahead CC: got some questions NG?: happy to second it Mayor: let's get the motion on the floor first. Got a question? CC: yes. There's a \$1.5M est for restoration from 2006 -- washrooms, sprinklers, xxx; what's staff's best advice whether that still accurate? BL: \$1 to 1.5M; from a restoration to a rebuild; interest of Hollyburn Heritage Society is to strive for restoration on a night we don't do editorializing, I'll say hv had experience with (professional) restoration; and think this can be done mindful District has a cap, not to exceed; we'll work on that v diligently best info we have is that \$1M reasonable at the restoration, will be looking at that, coming back to Ccl asked to commit \$150K for 2014 so can carry this with Parks and District and Cypress; early biz platform CC: so in answer to my Q, \$1.5M still accurate or you don't know? BL: don't know CC: \$150K asked for, unclear; added to total cost of the building or spent on fundraising? BL: specifically to the bldg and to the beginning of the fundraising effort along with the \$100K; it wd result in \$250K committed for the beginning of the fundraising CC: 3rd Q; haven't seen any doc; wondering if staff or anyone done any work on a biz case we know our capital infrastructure not being maintained -- Mr Wong can speak to that; big bucks for that; concerned about adding another bldg to the inventory operating or biz costs? BL: historically Cypress Bowl has operated the cafeteria during the winter months looking at developing an operating pro forma, our own, with our own progs integrated progs with Hollyburn Ridge; come back with biz case and operating plan ... also restoration; will be delivered through 2013 year CC: last Q, if not raised will \$150K, those funds, come back to the District BL: specific use of the funds for restoration wd only be for that. if we not succeed; the District we be withdrawing its funding CC: presumably by a certain date BL: yes Mayor: need motion extend mtg, to finish only Item 12 CARRIED so we can continue past 10 o'clock get to the motion TP: direct up to \$150K included in 2014 budget specifically for Hollyburn Lodge restoration it's an unusual way to do this, 2014, but a long time; imp put something on b/c kickoff and wish them tremendous success ML: as written or modified to "up to"? TP: I can modify including "up to" DONE {Sop saying had seconded already} CC: voting against, don't have biz case; no updated construction cost; adding another piece to our inventory, not the right way to do it; don't have financials -- gotta make decision on clear financials; Ccl Panz says this is a key piece of the fundraising, with respect, don't believe it is believe the Dist can say will be supportive if proj gets close, already funds starting off, will succeed or fail on own merits not District's; whether District kicks in 10% -- not going to affect the success of the fundraising efforts Sop: that's your opinion Mayor: hold it now, Cclr G is next, then we'll to you NG: have to disagree with CcIr Cam on this one; issue is near and dear to my heart we're making a motion to add \$150K a year from now -- still going to debate the budget; then vote this will allow the group to go forward; to show our goodwill, for it to get going wish you the best of luck; it's about time Sop: I agree; a little bit of stimulus to get moving on this; how long are we going to have this hanging around? how much dedication of folks that have looked at something that's been a heritage value for years Don presented to us the history if you were up there; fundamentally to say some things we hold proud in this cmnty, one of them is the heritage value of some of these bldgs time to move on this if we see things, Cclr Cam, no good, they we can back off; report from Mr Leigh, front and centre ML: with friendly amendment; up to a \$150K; we actually are not committing money definitively in the 2014 budget; a function of deliverables review during that budget cycle period {mic off; can't hear} if not on track, the amt isn't \$150K Mayor: well, uh, just a minute, Cclr Booth MAB: I have to disagree with my learned friend over there; does send a strong signal to the cmnty that we support this proj I had a great tour only remaining ski lodge on the NSh from this era; is a treasure in the cmnty; sense that, saw that; strong msg to the cmnty; a principle isn't a principle until you spend money, they say msg this is worthy of funding; It's one thing to send a letter but another money; sends msg to the cmnty

this is a worthy structure and worthy of funding; we do have influence in the cmnty the other piece from my tour of the area; these bldgs are not getting any younger; concerned about deterioration and about District cabins too; know a report coming from staff; enough off sometime in the future; have to be definitive; put our money where our mouth is I'm prepared to do that tonight Sop: call the question Mayor: bn asked to call the question; in favour? Motion carries unanimously -- congratulations to the HHS. A couple of quick things before we adjourn Need a motion for the special mtg Wed 10am Dec 12 DONE {Though curtailing ccl mtg, the Mayor did allow PQP before adjournment} We did have one person who signed up for PQP SSlater: and may I? Mayor: as long as you guarantee less than two minutes and you shd be standing right beside the chair [10:06] CR (the one who'd signed up): v kind of you, Mayor Smith Before, what they used to do is for ppl waiting they'd 15 min--Mayor: don't tell me what they used to --CR: okay I won't, okay First thing is the Website Group's mtg is not the Calendar. thank you for the report from CcIr Cam but the one that was held last Thursday [Dec 6] is still not on the Calendar so to whom wd I direct questions about the website and will it be on the Calendar in future? Secondly, the ULWG mtg was also not on the Calendar until today, so I'd like you to look at how long before a mtg it shd go on the calendar so that the public wd have some idea. It's great to say they're welcome if they don't what it is but they don't know when it is, maybe only a few hours beforehand. Doesn't really help much. The Coach House item was really v good. I'd be willing to set up a mtg with various grps if that wd help -- you don't have to go around to various ones so I'd be happy to do that. It is unreasonable for ppl, for example, who live in Shaughnessy to expect, to demand, diversity of housing there so they can all live there. What I'd suggest is that, yes, look at the diversity , but you might also want to look at the area so there'd be areas that wd hv diversity and areas that wd maintain their character, and that wd address Cclr Lewis's concern as well. Thank you for the budget Merry Christmas Mayor: Merry Christmas to you; thank you for that and we have our Communications guru in the audience who's making notes about the errors in the website. go ahead, Scenery [Slater] Scenery Slater: 1300blk; proposal one of the biggest things to happen in Amb Cclr Gambioli at another mtg had suggested maybe a pole cd be erected to demonstrate the potential height I we like to ask Ccl, much cheaper alternative, consider putting up an advertising balloon. They're only about \$57, I priced them. If that wd be put up on the site, at the highest points of the bldgs, it wd give the public not a complete picture, but a better idea of what is being proposed for that site. I wd ask Ccl they consider that. Mayor: We're considering the pole idea but looking for someone to hold it LAUGHTER Sop, putting on a Santa Claus cap: Season's greetings to all and to all a good night! NB: REST DEFERRED TO 10am Wed Dec 12 THIS: 13. Proposed 2013 Council Meeting Schedule (File: 0120-01) RECOMMENDED: as attached to the report dated Dec 3, from the Mgr, Legislative Services be approved. {oh, moan and groan -- back to mtgs every Monday night....} **FROM HERE to end: 14. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS** === COUNCIL NOTES Special Mtg Wednesday December 12 === 10:00 AM Cclr Cameron absent 1. Call to Order. Mayor: resume Monday's mtg; ask Cclr Sop to move approval of agenda 2. Approval of December 12, 2012 Special Council Meeting Agenda Sop: so move Mayor: seconded by Cclr Lewis

Sop: oh, suppose I shd read it out

Mayor: everybody loves to hear you talk, so go ahead

Sop: as written, Item 2

Mayor: sufficient, Ms Scholes? I presume it is

[MClk: yes] Mayor: passes unanimously

#### REPORTS

{Since George Pajari could not attend this meeting, he sent the following email to each Councillor individually shortly after midnight before the meeting. Unfortunately no one thought to comment on his request to defer the funding decision.

#### Dear Mayor and Council:

Unfortunately time pressures Monday prevented me from providing anything more than a perfunctory summary of my concerns about one aspect of this "omnibus funding bill" so I'm writing since I cannot participate in today's continuation of Monday's meeting.

Council has been saying for some time that no final decision has been made with respect to the funding of the new Public Safety Building. Indeed, part 6 of this resolution says as much, and furthermore, asks staff to report back to Council on the appropriate funding model(s) to consider.

Given that, why does part 3(a) state that almost four million dollars in soft costs are to be covered by land sales? Doesn't paying for roughly 10% of the building's costs using one source bias the entire process? Isn't it putting the cart before the horse -- we're asking staff to consider all possible funding models but in the interim we're spending money as fast as needed by selling off land?

What's the rush? The commitment to pay for the soft costs can be made now, and work proceed, without making an irrevocable decision on how to fund this work.

So I would ask Council either to defer the decision on determining the funding source (but not defer the work required) and if that is not possible, \_\*borrow\*\_ (not take) the money from the Endowment fund until such time as the community can make its preferences known with respect

#### to funding the new PSB. }

#### 3. <u>Public Safety Building</u> (File: 0500-01)

Mayor: one mbr of the public wishes to speak, Dave Roach

DR: earlier this morning I sent you email, dealt with concerns of CcIr Cam on Dec 10, I share those concerns, as indicated in the letter; I hope you in possession of the letter

## Mayor: I was working out until 5 to 10 so I haven't seen the letter, just letting you know DR: I understand

design projs of this nature, carefully structured and follow a particular phasing [named them]

at ea pt where designer has completed a phase; at each point client decision to stop or go fwd

stopping pts, those are natural pts can authorize further expenditure

## Cclr Cam's concern and mine; recom Mr Chan put fwd in his report shd be modified, an amendment bylaw be brought fwd for each of the three phases.

#### 1 schematic design 2 expenditure for detailed design 3 construction docs

amts are set out in the table; you can see the amts there; prudent and sensible

addressing Cclr Cam's, mine, and I believe yours

no impediment to bringing a bylaw within a week -- demonstrated today

Monday Financial Plan, up for adoption this morning.

Mr Chan is, I believe, incorrect in stating that it we take two weeks and be an impediment to the progress of the project, to bring to each phase

Recommendation to you as reps of the cmnty, fiduciary tyvm

Mayor: think basically everyone on Ccl agrees with you...

I'll ask Mr Chan to clarify; but intent is to come back to Ccl at each stage

each phase have report from staff and approve next, not intent to hand out a cheque for \$3.8M

agree due diligence on ea phase

DR: {distorted/inaudible, something about bylaw}

Mayor: let's hear from Mr Chan whether amendment bylaw or staff report

DR: just my opinion, FWIW

Mayor: worth a lot to me, love your opinions; don't always agree with them, but love to hear them; thank you Mr Chan, help clarify the intent?

MC: the way you put it is an accurate summary; a step-wise approach rather than one-time lump sum funding approval at this point staff wd not be able to spend beyond \$495K end of schematic design

must come back with design \$815K. Ccl can approve to go ahead, can stop entirely

Mayor: think I understand it but any mbr of Ccl questions?

MAB: main reason you're asking for approval of the overall budget for both hard and soft costs and multiple stages is to conform with UBC Trust model as well as give some comfort to the consultants you've hired

MC: sev reasons; anticipating full year approach, compatibility with budget process

transparent -- clear and complete understanding for the entire year

another pt: Dist has approved contracts: Dialogue \$1,273,500 and Pivotal \$549K -- go for the three-yr length of the proj; can be turned off at any time

that sum exceeds the \$495K we have approval for; we have other contracts, consultants nec to inform architects do not have carte blanche for whole amt; up to Ccl

ML: think all of Ccl agrees with concerns of Mr Roach and Ccl is comfortable with what has been proposed by staff diligence at each step; staff cannot pay beyond...

from legislative, biz mgmt, and stewardship of residents' fiscal concerns, we're on top of this; I'd be comfortable proceeding

Sop: Ms L proceed by bylaw amendment, financial plan?

NL: transparent up front ... stated what planned over next three years

safeguard we'll not move fwd without approval at ea stage

Mr Roach's approach is an alternative and we debated internally but we felt this most efficient manner of getting budget out ahead of time and aligned with the workplan, but Ccl has opp at every stage to say yes or no

Sop: read Mr Roach's and still have a bit in craw about where monies come from -- what's the rush?

frankly we have diff ways of looking at this. When we looked at huge amts for Cmnty Ctr we did pay as we go, logical, and it worked

we have an authorization of \$165K and \$3.645M, then left without a phasing necessarily to demands in future why not lay it out, set amts to date, and say here's how projected and in way of bylaw; that method's safe for ev CAO: we've been asked over and over again by this Ccl is to move fwd trying to move in least bureaucratic way

clear about whole proj \$3.6M; at any time Ccl and cmnty can stop at any time

ccl mtgs scheduled ev two weeks so unless you're prepared to meet twice a week and prepared for all those costs (preparing reports, advertising)

you have absolute control

this proj v clear, v transparent, this Ccl totally in control

TP: happy and satisfied with process; transparency has been centre

Cclr Lewis said it v well; this way to push staff to be more efficient

comfortable with this going fwd

app your comments, Mr Roach, think they make us be v conscience and clear about decisions we make Mayor: will go to Cclr Gambioli for a motion

don't want to put you on the spot, but CcIr Cam is not here and he did have some concerns, so unless I hear differently from staff, it is an option for you to table this until the first mtg in January, or you can move the motion, or you can take a poll of your fellow mbrs of CcI and see what they want to do

NG: I wd like to move the motion as printed

Mayor: so you're moving the recommended motion

NG: I look fwd in Part 6 to read the Ccl report with the recommended funding source, entire proj before entering into construction

Sop: Item 6 says will be done -- why isn't funding source before us now?

why say wait again? two, three, four -- why not set out?

I move we table this till January until a clear picture

#### NG: that's not a friendly amendment

#### Mayor: got a tabling motion -- a seconder? Seeing none, did you want Mr Chan to ans your Qs?

Sop: yes, pls

MC: whether funding available; staff and Ccl have confirmed repeatedly that we have do have confirmed the ability to fund the entire proj

have seen through land sales; also can be funded through one or combination, EndFund, etc {listed; see motion} later on in new year to confirm

## we are at an early stage; need to come back with a construction schedule, schematic design, then construction contracts

all info together then funding sources as well

Mayor: before Cclr Sop speaks for the second time will ask if anyone else

MAB: what are the risks if we don't approve this at this time? (other than efficiency)

MC: we have been questioned before about funding approval after rather than before...

we're entering into contracts now; passing this allows us.... what budget for next year; proceeding without this is not prudent nor for the CFO

Mayor: Cclr Sop, do you want to speak for the second time?

Sop: Mr Chan, if we look at the EndFund, we have about \$5M.

*{he's giving the amt above the threshold}* 

Land sales are in my view limited at this time.

I've questioned if we shd borrow for this.

don't know what direction we're going to go if we say money in place; what categories certainty we can move on it? haven't had

just we will do this in future and here's where we can get it -- well, show me the funds where we can get it. Mayor: do you want to try and answer that?

MC: funds are av, on p8; the other alternatives are internal financing and land sales; going to be coming to Ccl with a strategy how to handle surplus lands (sales) -- short-term, medium-term, and long-term

Mayor: let's summarize this so all clear

Cclr Lewis said what I said, we're all in agreement with Mr Roach; not definitely authorizing \$3.645M; we are putting that up in the window as the total budget for softcosts, in report and coming back at each stage and with where money coming from

don't think this cd be clearer

my final comment -- committed to a completely open process... explain at ea stage; committed to complete transparency public shd be totally reassured we're going to spend both sides of their dollar on this proj, right Mr Chan? MC: right

Mayor: perfect. Call the question on:

- 1. The report entitled "Public Safety Building" dated December 3, 2012, be received for information. 2. (a) The **budget for soft costs for the PSB for Nov and Dec 2012 of \$165,000** (excluding HST and as set out in Appendix 1 to the report dated Dec 3) be approved, with funding to be provided in a manner consistent with the funding approach previously approved by Ccl for the PSB project, namely through the net proceeds of sale of District-owned lands which are deposited in the Endmt Fund. (b) Staff report back to Council with a budget amendment bylaw to amend the 2012 District Budget.
- 3. (a) The budget for soft costs for the PSB for all of 2013 of \$3,645,000 (excluding HST and as set out in Appendix 1 to the report dated Dec 3) be approved, with funding to be provided in a manner consistent with the funding approach prev'ly approved by Ccl for the PSB proj, namely through the net proceeds of sale of District-owned lands which are deposited in the Endowment Fund. (b) Staff report back to Council with a budget amendment bylaw to amend the 2013 District Budget.
- 4. Staff report back to Ccl in early 2013 with a 2013 budget for hard construction costs for the PSB
- after a demolition and construction schedule has been prepared by the design team for Council approval. 5. Notwithstanding Ccl's approval on July 23 of a **\$36M target budget** for the PSB proj, **Staff report back to Ccl**
- periodically to request Ccl approval for specific funding releases for each major phase of the proj. 6. While the District has confirmed that the entire PSB can be funded through one or a combination of: the Endmt Fund; land sales; other internal financing; financing from the M Finance Authority; or tax, Staff report back to Ccl in 2013 with a recommended funding source for Ccl approval for the entire PSB proj before entering into any construction contracts and commencing construction.

#### Mayor: passes; Sop opposed {CC absent}`

#### 4. Proposed 2013 Council Meeting Schedule (File: 0120-01)

attached: the report dated Dec 3 from the Mgr, Legislative Services; for approval.

NG: a little amendment Oct 28 mtg followed by FCmte mtg

hoping that wd when the Awards night so hope wd be and shift Finance to another night; hope reserve Oct 28 Mayor: cd just put it in or have an earlier FCmte; just put in

ML: {hard to hear; saying amendment?}

Mayor: one day I'm going to get this right; now call the question on the main motion

MAB: for clarity, the Mar 18 and 25 mtgs fall during the spring break period historically, do we go through that? Mayor: I'll be going through that period on the Amazon River, cruise, that's what I'll be doing on Mar 25th LAUGHTER

MAB: so we'll just have to live vicariously through you?

Mayor: so if there's a need for a ccl mtg on Mar 25th, presumably the rest of Ccl will carry on in my absence.

CAO: it has been typical that those mtgs have been cancelled; but not always sure when they fall but believe this year 18 and 25 and Ccl has cancelled those mtgs.

ML: simpler to have them on the agenda and cancel them; easier than trying to add them

Mayor: motion carries unanimously

#### BYLAWS

5. [5-Year] Financial Plan Bylaw No. 4743, 2012 (File: 1610-20-4743) for adoption

Sop: on page 13 one question from the other night I didn't understand; re allotments of money re facilities, all facilities including PSB and others?

NL: yes, correct

Sop: down to Endowment and there's no allotment; pressure on EFund it will show up

#### NL: EFund anticipated to be \$26M at end of 2012 and we will be coming fwd in early January with a budget amendment bylaw for expenditures for PSB and others

at this time not planned any expenditures from the EF within this Five-Yr Fin plan

Sop: in a manner of process, as these funds become allotted, by way of bylaw amendment?

NL: right; what we're trying to address is transparency, source, safeguards how much to be spent; spent relative to ..., want to bring budget amendment beginning of the year so that it's clear where money coming from

Sop: never been about transparency for me, bn about process

if moving along in manner you state, whether payment for PSB or whatever else, must be amendment to any source NL: right

#### Mayor: unanimous

#### 6. Consent Agenda Items

6.1. Appointments to Memorial Library Board (File: 1905-01)

- 1. The following applicants for a [two-year] term commencing January 1, 2013: Anjili Bahadoorsing and Eric Fiss;
- 2. The following mbrs be reappointed for a [two-year] term commencing January 1, 2013: Kirsty Farquharson; Joanne McKenna; and Jan Pezarro.

6.2. TransLink Customer Service Performance Report for Quarter 3, 2012 (File: 3205-03) -- received for info.

6.3. Development Application Status List (File: 1010-01) -- received for information.

#### 6.4. Correspondence List (File: 0120-24)

#### Council Correspondence Update to November 30, 2012 (up to 12:00 Noon) Referred for Action

(1) NSh Women's Ctr, Nov 29, re "Proclamation for Natl Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women" (Referred to Municipal Clerk for response)

Received for Information

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(2) Committee and Board Meeting Minutes – Board of Variance – October 17, 2012

(3) MetroV, Nov 28, re "Impact of 2011 Federal Census Population on Weighted Voting and Member Representation"

 (4) 2 submissions, dated November 25-28, 2012, regarding 1300 block of Marine Drive
 (5) J. Kwan, MLA (Vancouver - Mt. Pleasant), Nov 26, re "Status of Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) Negotiations"

#### Responses to Correspondence

(6) Director of Engineering and Transportation, November 30, response to R. Richards regarding "Wasteful expenditure" Council Correspondence Update to December 4, 2012 (up to 4:30 pm)

#### Referred for Action

- (1) City of North Vancouver, November 29, 2012, regarding "Affordable Housing for the Persons with Disabilities" (Referred to Director of Planning, Lands and Permits for consideration and response)
- (2) K. Steig, November 30, 2012, regarding "District of West Vancouver Proposed 2013 Budget"

(Referred to Chief Financial Officer for consideration and response)

#### Received for Information

- (3) Hon. J. Kenney, Min/Citizenship, Immigration, and Multiculturalism, undated, re "Paul Yuzyk Award for Multiculturalism" (Attachment available for viewing in Legislative Services Department)
- (4) November 30, 2012, regarding "Trans Mountain Expansion Project: Owned by Kinder Morgan: Concerns regarding Safety, Security and Environmental Stewardship."

(5) Metro Vancouver, December 3, 2012, regarding "Policy of Ending Youth Homelessness".

#### 7. OTHER ITEMS

Council has requested that the following correspondence be brought forward for discussion, and may propose a motion if Council considers that further action is required.

7.1. North Shore Women's Centre, November 29, 2012, regarding Proclamation for National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

(Referred to Municipal Clerk for response)

MAB: that's mine; know we have a practice of not endorsing proclamations and I'm not going to request that pulled this item, commemorates the 1989 murder of 14 women in Montreal

globally, often think it's not a concern at home

spoke recently to WVPD and the issue keeps on coming up is that in WV one of the main concerns for the Police is domestic violence and violence that is not reported, and violence that is reported so this is a concern and Ccl has to be alive to through our Police Force and education; urge ev to consider that as we move fwd under child and family friendly charters that we consider these issues when we made policy decision around women and girls.

Mayor: hope we also consider the safety of men in our cmnty as well; don't think we want to be seen as encouraging violence against men in our own cmnty as well; not your intention MAB: not what I'm saying but often the violence is perpetrated by men against women; that is the most common scenario.

**7.2.** December 5, 2012, regarding "Homelessness in West Vancouver" MAB: Cclr Cam and I brought this forward, with 7.3

we did have a presentation from the NSh Homelessness Task Force

letter from a young man in our cmnty questioning the invisibility of homelessness in our cmnty

policy raises this -- do we have any numbers wrt homelessness in WV, particularly youth

doc indicated a lot couch-surfing

AM: We have staff on that TF but report hasn't come to it yet but will on Thursday

don't have the numbers of youth in WV with me, but can provide the statistics to Ccl.

letter from resident talking about a couple of homeless ppl hanging around the AYC

blueprint for responsibility to work together with all of cmnty

the two homeless ppl who have been identified; the WVPD, our Cmnty Srvcs staff, the Lookout Shelter, and the Hollyburn Fam Services -- all the agencies work together to make sure ppl are helped

Sop: there's an abundance of support on the NSh

remember being on that group for social responsibility; have concerned ourselves in WV

Indiv who wrote the letter must not have read a few things; moving forward and moving fwd;

we don't close an eye to it

Mayor: next Police Bd mtg in January, the Lookout Shelter coming with a delegation explaining the issue; talking about resources

ML: also invite the young fellow who wrote

7.3. Metro Vancouver, December 3, 2012, regarding "Policy of Ending Youth Homelessness"

8. Public Questions and Comments

Dave Roach: three guestions if I may

Bylaw 4743, 2012 -- when will the documentation of the 5-Yr Fin Plan catch up or be posted in the public domain? second part: when will the minutes of the Nov FCmte mtgs be posted in the public domain?

decisions were made wch were on the Fin Plan and wd be useful in future if those FCte mtgs were on the District website - they have not been and were not this morning

Second: 4717 2012, Mr Chan on the third of Dec put fwd a recomm that staff come back with an amendment bylaw for that particular bylaw; it's now the 12th and no indication amendment bylaw forthcoming this is probably last mtg of year, when will that amendment bylaw be coming. It's \$266,078 that Mr Chan identified on Dec 3 wch was expended up to the end of October without authorization under the 5yr FPlan wch is the only one in effect today Third: PSB; app your points re process, I accede to them. I may not agree with them. Transparency you mentioned. What specific procedures will be put in place that stuff does come back, in public at a reg ccl mtg to address those issues, questions, concerns Cclr Cameron had and that I have and wch you said wd be brought forward.

what procedures specifically? will the Ccl resolns approving the expenditures be made in public or will they be made in camera? This is a v critical point. This is a high visibility proj. As you know, this is a \$36M, compared with \$39 for the Cmnty Ctr. A significant amt of money. Funding sources -- when will the staff specifically report back on the question of funding these particular projects? we need to know that before you approve, not after. We shd have that now, or pretty soon, and it shd be studied, made by the Fin Dir and there shd be a sep ccl report brought to Ccl early in the year discussing the implications and the sources of those funds tyvm

Mayor: will answer the third; as mentioned **all funding decisions will be made in a full regular public ccl mtg** staff want to take a stab at answering now or take under advisement

NL: wd like to be able to answer the first two questions, quickly

Doc on 5yrFP will be updated first two weeks of Jan; proposed budget book updated with all of the data and adjustments made to date

signif amt of disc at FCmte mtgs from beginning Sept to beginning Dec wch will also be incorporated into the doc that gets posted

The Nov 26 FCmte mtg minutes hv not yet been approved by the FCmte and imagine will not be until the end of Jan, wch is proposed ccl schedule

yes, David?

{He was speaking from the gallery, away from the mic so undiscernible}

Mayor: check Jan 28th, that will be a public Ccl mtg on Finance issues and one issue we'll address is if we need to pass a motion approving FinCmte mtgs, we can certainly do it on that date

The intent is to have a monthly open ccl mtg on Finance b/c this Ccl puts a top priority on how we spend public money

monthly summary of what we're spending, what we intend to spend, dept reviews, ev will be on the table, so hope you'll be able to attend

NL: the only other item -- Mr Roach brought it fwd and I feel compelled to respond -- all of the expenditures to date relative to the PSB hv bn approved by Ccl throughout the year. They may not have bn incorporated into a budget amendment bylaw earlier in the year as we like to do going fwd, but all approved by Ccl prior to the expenditures taking place throughout 2012

Mayor: that's it. 9. Adjournment

#### === ANIMALWATCH ===

o This first one is dramatic; hippos and crocodiles to Beethoven's Fifth:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z99IjOUj7x4&feature=endscreen&NR=1 o Eagle Count in Brackendale on Sunday Jan 6; in the meantime here's **an eagle catching a salmon**:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hecXupPpE9o&feature=youtu.be

o Otters (had to put in a dose of cute but this **Mum is determined to teach a baby who does not want to learn**): http://www.youtube.com/watch\_popup?v=QpTqV6LPl8c

#### === INFObits ===

+ Port Mann Bridge -- Cable-stayed bridge; formal opening 2012 Dec 1; <u>Cost \$2.5B (\$3.3B</u> all-in VSun Dec 20); widest bridge in the world (ten lanes); second longest bridge in North America; coating on cables did not prevent ice falling off cables as intended so dents and smashed windshields, etc on Dec 19 (100s of claims already); but snow is rare in Vancouver -- though not unheard of! -- and apparently bridges in Sweden just close for a day or two. Red faces and big bucks. CBC's weather lady Claire Martin said Dec 20 that the chances of Vancouver having a white Christmas has gone up -- one in five. Eat your heart out, rest of Canada. So come visit and you might get lucky -- our palm trees might be decorated with a bit of snow.....

#### + Deaths from Guns

> 2012 Dec 14, RIP, Newton, CT, founded 1705, incorporated 1711.

> 2009 stats on gun-related deaths: UK - 18; Canada 174; U.S. 9,173 - what does that tell you? -- bearing in mind UK has strictest gun ownership laws of all three? (2010 & 2011 not yet available)

> CBC (The National) said there are 6M guns in Canada.

> CBC (On the Coast Dec 17) had an American say there are **over 300M guns in the US**, enough for every man, woman, and child in the US, so even if banned now, how to control?

Cdn't help thinking that in Canada we made ppl register -- can you imagine Americans complying as Cdns did? Of course now the Harper govt is cancelling the register. At least Quebec has a hope of being able to keep some track.

There'll never be complete control of mental illnesses cases but at least if no large-capacity magazines, shots are limited (not to mention the insanity of letting the US ban on assault rifles expire).

#### === PHOTOWATCH === The 45 Most Powerful Images Of 2012

Be prepared for multiple emotional reactions. If you have none, or if they are bland, go immediately to the nearest emergency room for a heart/brain scan -- yours may be AWOL.

http://www.buzzfeed.com/mjs538/most-powerful-images-of-2012

# **ROYALWATCH Area** The Queen's Christmas Message referred to duty and service News for 2012 Queen's Christmas message

Queen's Christmas message urges serving others CBC.ca F 3 days ago

Queen Elizabeth's Christmas message urges carrying on the spirit of togetherness and friendship

captured in 2012 by the London Summer ...

Queen's Christmas speech: monarch humbled by Jubilee crowds\_Telegraph.co.uki - 3 days ago

#### BBC News - Queen's message praises 2012 'army of volunteers'

www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-20839338 3 days ago – Queen's message praises 2012 'army of volunteers' ... In her Christmas message, she said it was striking to see the "friendship" of so many ...

#### === CPTWATCH ===

#### For on-line version click here. http://www.cpt.org/cptnet/2012/12/10/al-khalil-hebron-reflection-sum-many-parts CPTnet 10 December 2012 AL-KHALIL (HEBRON) REFLECTION: A sum of many parts

by Jonathan Brenneman I am heading up CPT's involvement in a campaign to save eight villages in the southern tip of the West Bank from forced evacuation and destruction by Israel. The Israeli army claims to want the land, known as Masafer Yatta, for military training, referring to the area as Firing Zone 918.

As part of the campaign I get to spend one night a week with a family in Masafer Yatta as a guest. I and another CPTer stay over in order to provide an initial protective presence in case of attempted demolitions or army harassment. A collaborative effort among several groups working in the area provides for an international presence there at all times. It is good to visit with the families and hear their stories. On 8 December, I got to go to the Masafer in another capacity, as a nonviolent demonstrator.

As part of the campaign to raise awareness of the plight of the people living within the Firing Zone, villagers and internationals decided to have a bicycle ride and march into the area. **Technically, according to Israeli law, entrance** into the zone is illegal, even though over 1000 people live there. The idea was to show solidarity with the villages as well as to show the Israeli army and government that the world cares about what will happen to the people living there. I don't know who thought that riding bikes across the hilly, rocky, unpaved land was a feasible, but they were wrong. We ended up walking the bikes as much as we rode, but it worked out well because the marchers were able to keep up with the 'cyclers'. The main march was to the village of Um Fagarah. It had recently gained even more importance since the Israeli army destroyed the mosque in that village days before the demonstration. In the village we talked with leaders and the press took pictures and interviews.

There were about 100 participants. It was amazing to see Israelis, Palestinians, and internationals - men, women, and children - all marching together, sharing their stories with each other, and united in this cause.

On 16 December, the Israeli high court will begin legal proceedings on the future of these villages. A march with 100 people and some cameras feels insignificant given the devastation possible from the courts. I have to remind myself that the cycle ride/march was one piece to pressure the courts to do the right thing. There are many other pieces, each of which feels insignificant on its own, but when put together, they might just create enough pressure to make something happen.

**Participate** Another seemingly insignificant act you can participate in is to sign CPT's Avaaz petition to go the Israeli embassies. Here is the link: <u>Please sign</u>. Let us all together commit enough insignificant acts to cause a change.

#### === PEACE?WATCH ===

#### The Chutzpah of Bibi Netanyahu

Israel's prime minister says diplomacy is war, criticism of Israel is anti-Semitism, and West Bank settlements aren't unilateral.

by William Saletan | Posted Thursday, Dec. 6, 2012, at 11:34 AM ET See: http://v.gd/Bibi\_Chutzpah

#### === BOOKWATCH ===

> 100 Notable Books of 2012 published: November 27, 2012

The year's notable fiction, poetry and nonfiction, selected by the editors of The New York Times Book Review. http://www.nytimes.com/2012/12/02/books/review/100-notable-books-of-2012.html

> Millions of Cats -- Millions of Cats is a picture book written and illustrated by Wanda Gág in 1928. The book won a Newbery Honor award in 1929, one of the few picture books to do so. Millions of Cats is the oldest American picture book still in print. {from a talk at our Lbrary, one of Pam Goldsmith-Jones's favourite books?}

> LATEST ISSUE OF BOOK NEWS Vol. 7 No. 46 [excerpts]

http://www.writersfest.bc.ca/community/latestbooknews

+ Michael Posner interviews Gordon Pinsent, now 82, on his charmed life — a play on words since Pinsent always referred to his wife Charmion King as Charm—and his new autobiography, Next, deftly ghosted by CBC programmer George Anthony, writes Posner. http://www.theglobeandmail.com/arts/celebrity-news/gordon-pinsent-reflec...

+ A new translation of The Outsider, Albert Camus's 1942 masterpiece, deserves to become the standard English text, writes http://www.guardian.co.uk/books/2012/dec/09/outsider-albert-camus-smith-Lucian Robinson.

+ A Poet and Bin-Laden, Hamid Ismailov's picaresque novel mixes genres and viewpoints to provide a fascinating commentary on Islam and central Asia, writes Kate Kellaway. An extraordinary book and a difficult read, worth persevering because it takes one deep into Islamic fundamentalism in Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Afghanistan. Hamid Ismailov, Uzbek writer in residence of the BBC World Service, calls it a "reality novel".

http://www.guardian.co.uk/books/2012/dec/09/poet-bin-laden-ismailov-review

#### === LANGUAGEWATCH === Ithkuil

An incredible article in the New Yorker. Nothing about Utopia and nothing about Beginners (that's just the title) and I still suspect it may be a hoax -- I had to check it was not April 1 -- but that gives you no idea of what it is. ANNALS OF LINGUISTICS UTOPIAN FOR BEGINNERS

by JOSHUA FOER DECEMBER 24, 2012 An amateur linguist loses control of the language he invented. *Ouijada's invented language has two seemingly incompatible ambitions: to be maximally precise but also maximally concise* There are so many ways for speakers of English to see the world. We can glimpse, glance, visualize, view, look, spy, or ogle. Stare, gawk, or gape. Peek, watch, or scrutinize.....

John Quijada, a fifty-four-year-old former employee of the California State Department of Motor Vehicles, ... In 2004, he published a monograph on the Internet that was titled "Ithkuil: A Philosophical Design for a Hypothetical Language". Written like a linguistics textbook, the fourteen-page Web site ran to almost a hundred and sixty thousand words. It documented the grammar, syntax, and lexicon of a language that Quijada had spent three decades inventing in his spare time. Ithkuil had never been spoken by anyone other than Quijada, and he assumed that it never would be.....

Ithkuil has two seemingly incompatible ambitions: to be maximally precise but also maximally concise, capable of capturing nearly every thought that a human being could have while doing so in as few sounds as possible. Ideas that could be expressed only as a clunky circumlocution in English can be collapsed into a single word in Ithkuil. A sentence like "On the contrary, I think it may turn out that this rugged mountain range trails off at some point" becomes simply "Tram-mļöi hhâsmařpţuktôx."....

Invented languages have often been created in tandem with entire invented universes, and most conlangers come to their craft by way of fantasy and science fiction. J. R. R. Tolkien, who called conlanging his "secret vice," maintained that he created the "Lord of the Rings" trilogy for the primary purpose of giving his invented languages, Quenya, Sindarin, and Khuzdul, a universe in which they could be spoken. And arguably the most commercially successful invented language of all time is Klingon, which has its own translation of "Hamlet" and a dictionary that has sold more than three hundred thousand copies.....

Consonant-poor Hawaiian has just thirteen phonemes. English has around forty-two, depending on dialect. In order to pack as much meaning as possible into each word, Ithkuil has fifty-eight phonemes. The original version of the language included a repertoire of grunts, wheezes, and hacks that are borrowed from some of the world's most obscure tongues. One particular hard-to-make clicklike sound, a voiceless uvular ejective affricate, has been found in only a few other languages, including the Caucasian language Ubykh, whose last native speaker died in 1992......

He sent me a sentence: "Eipkalindhöll te uvölîlpa ípçatörza üxt rî'ekçuöbös abzeikhouxhtoù eqarpaň dhai'eickòbüm öt eužmackûnáň xhai'ékc'oxtîmmalt te qhoec îtyatuithaň." "I am privileged to have had the rare experience of having what I think of as a hobby propel me to faraway places where one encounters new ideas along with new cultures and new peoples generous in their hospitality and respect, leading me to humble introspection and a new appreciation for the human spirit and the wonders of the world."

Read more: http://www.newyorker.com/reporting/2012/12/24/121224fa fact foer

## === SPELLINGWATCH ===

[in Dec 3 transcript] Canadian tends to differentiate: mould (green stuff); molding (construction; pottery too?) === PRONUNCIATIONWATCH ===

Do your ears pick up on (**correct**) enunciation? have you noticed some say news rhyming with snooze when in fact it's properly **nyooz**? what about Tuesday not as **tyoozday** but toozday? Duke is **dyook**, not dook. think of DO (doo) and DUE (dyoo); toon vs tune

#### === WORDWATCH === OED Online Word of the Day -- ostrobogulous

Your word for today is: <u>ostrobogulous, adj.</u> Pronunciation: Brit. / pstrəʊ'bogj $\theta$ ləs/, U.S. / astroʊ'bagjələs/ Etymology: Apparently irregularly < oestrous *adj*. + -o- *connective* + either bog *n*.<sup>4</sup> + -ulous *suffix*, attributed to Victor Benjamin Neuburg, British writer (1883–1940); compare:

1973 *Times Lit. Suppl.* 27 July 871/2 It was sick, dirty, or more precisely, 'ostrobogulous', which according to Victor Neuburg..meant etymologically full of (Latin, *ulus*) rich (Greek, *ostro*) dirt (schoolboy, *boq*).

#### Chiefly humorous.

Used after Neuburg to designate something that is slightly risqué or indecent. Also applied arbitrarily to things which are bizarre, interesting, or unusual in some other way (see quots.).

1951 A. Calder-Marshall <u>*Magic my Youth*</u> i. 31 'Ostrobogulous' was Vickybird's favourite word. It stood for anything from the bawdy to the slightly off-colour. Any *double entendre* that might otherwise have escaped his audience was prefaced by, **'if you will pardon the ostrobogulosity'.** 

1952 A. Graves Ostrobogulous Pigs 7

Once upon a time there were..five ostrobogulous skipperty flipperty filthy grubby muddy little pigs. 1963 *Sunday Times* 29 Dec. 19/2 (*heading*) An ostrobogulous year for the toy men.

1965 J. O. Fuller <u>Magical Dilemma V. Neuburg</u> i. iv. 58 Some of the entries were not printed because they were ostrobogulous. This was a wonderful word of Vicky's. It was used in the place of indecent or pornographic, and had the advantage..that it implied no moral attitude.

1972 <u>Times Lit. Suppl.</u> 30 June 757/4 His career, fabulous, prestigious, sordid, sinister, and in the word of Victor Neuburg ostrobogulous.

#### Derivatives

ostrobogu'lation n. nonce-wd.

1952 A. Graves <u>Ostrobogulous Pigs</u> 11 'I can no longer endure the odorous and objectionable ostrobogulations of those creatures,' said Angelina Boghurst-Fisher.

ostro'bogulatory *adj. nonce-wd.* 1952 A. Graves <u>Ostrobogulous Pigs</u> 10, I can no longer endure this ostrobogulatory behaviour.

#### === HERITAGEWATCH ===

<u>+ HERITAGE SOCIETY of BC</u> <u>http://www.heritagebc.ca/home/</u> [2013] This year's theme: Good Neighbours Heritage Homes and Neighbourhoods

#### + HERITAGE WEST VAN

Heritage Week always starts the third Monday of February, so in 2013 it's Feb 18 (to 24). If you have an idea for an event or wd like to participate or volunteer, pls write to heritage@westvan.org If you'd like a 2013 Heritage Week poster, pls write or call 922 4400.

+ HERITAGE VANCOUVER SOCIETY Read bulletins from our website: www.heritagevancouver.org/bulletin E-bulletin sign-up for event listings, alerts, heritage info; all coming events: www.heritagevancouver.org Read this bulletin from our website: www.heritagevancouver.org/bulletin/bulletin\_20121106.html Other Coming Events All events: heritagevancouver.org

= VANCOUVER HERITAGE FOUNDATION -- http://www.vancouverheritagefoundation.org/wall.html

~~~ MAIKU ~~~ 2012 December 22

tree's coloured lights reflected,

twinkling, sparkling, in famíly's, fríends' eyes

SALMAGUNDI

Sent to my elist:

Christmas Story as told by kids in NZ: <u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kWq60oyrHVQ</u>
 MUSIC: Landfillharmonic -- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fXynrsrTKbl

QUOTATIONS THOUGHTS PUNS

If you're not careful, the newspapers will have you hating the people who are being oppressed, and loving the people who are doing the oppressing.

-- Malcolm X, African-American Muslim minister and human rights activist (1925 - 1965) Memory is to love what the saucer is to the cup. -- Elizabeth Bowen, Irish novelist (1899 - 1973) **Men's minds are raised to the level of the women with whom they associate.** -- Alexandre Dumas, pere It's easier to fool people than to convince them that they have been fooled. -- Mark Twain

Laughter is carbonated holiness. -- Anne Lamott

Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love. -- Mother Teresa You must get involved to have an impact. No one is impressed with the won-lost record of the referee.

-- John Holcomb

Since we are destined to live out our lives in the prison of our minds, our one duty is to furnish it well. -- Peter Ustinov

I like nonsense; it wakes up the brain cells. -- Dr. Seuss

The person who says he knows what he thinks but cannot express it usually does not know what he thinks. -- Mortimer J Adler, American author (1902 - 2001)

Are people that live in both the Arctic and Antarctica called pollsters?

The store keeps calling me to come back and buy more bedroom furniture, but all I really wanted was one night stand.

I was going to buy some loose tea, but the price was too steep.

What do you call the garden police? Lawn and Order.

Hogs are taken to slaughter by the hearsemen of the aporkalypse.

An Unusual Nativity

A religious education class was almost finished making their models of the nativity scene and one little boy had done a lovely job. Some animals, Mary, Joseph, three wise men, and shepherds were all there, however, the teacher noticed an extra, rather overweight man in the scene as well. "Who is that person?" she asked. "Oh, that's Round John Virgin."

Christmas Present

It was the day after Christmas at a church in San Francisco. Pastor Mike was looking at the nativity scene outside when he noticed the baby Jesus was missing from the figures. Immediately, Pastor Mike turned towards the church to call the police. But as he was about to do so, he saw little Jimmy with a red

wagon, and in the wagon was the figure of the little infant, Jesus. Pastor Mike walked up to Jimmy and said, "Well, Jimmy, where did you get the little infant?" Jimmy replied, "I got him from the church."

"And why did you take him?"

With a sheepish smile, Jimmy said, "Well, about a week before Christmas I prayed to little Lord Jesus. I told him if he would bring me a red wagon for Christmas, I would give him a ride around the block in it."

Yours thoughtfully, Carolanne Reynolds, Editor, West Van Matters ph 926 8649 f 484 5992 www.westvan.org