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From: R Darr [REDACTED]
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To: Council <council@lionsbay.ca>
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Hello New Council and Mayor! Congratulations to you all for winning the election!

I wanted to make sure that our voices are heard by you (officially) by sending our thoughts and concerns, particularly around some of the talking points that surrounded the election and tonight's

special council meeting.

Firstly, we are 100% in favour of accepting the grant and improving the park - We like many other residents use the park a lot - It's obviously seen better days, and is completely behind the standards of any other beach facility in the Greater Vancouver Area. We are attracting so many people to our park and the facilities are not up to an acceptable level to service both residents and visitors.

Please don't jeopardize the grant money by delaying this project and potentially losing it based on missed deadlines. We recognize that there is still a cost that the village needs to pay, but the village will still have to pay almost all (OR POTENTIALLY MORE) of that contribution amount doing just the bare minimum to the park. Especially with the cost of materials and labour increasing so rapidly. So it seems insane to not accept the grant portion to make the park event better. The bathrooms and plumbing obviously needs a complete redo, but the playground also needs a redo. Both playgrounds are missing pieces to them that have disappeared before we arrived in the village in Spring 2020.

We think that there should also be some thought into how we can monetize this park from the visitors. As it appears to be a missed opportunity to not create a revenue stream that could repay (and earn more) than our contribution over the next 5 years. Others from all over the world (and specifically the North Shore and Vancouver) are overloading our small little community beach and we should consider how we continue to make the beach a hub for our locals while allowing visitors to come as well. The village residents incur ongoing costs to maintain the beach with Public Works staffing hours and supplies in the bathrooms and garbage etc... all for visitors to use the beach park at no cost and leave behind their garbage etc...

Secondly, we want to express the concern on densification and our water supply. This September made it abundantly clear that we are not able to take on any densification (AT ALL) if we are already placing ourselves at serious risk of not being able to extinguish a fire with the low levels we experienced in September. This is incredibly scary. We stopped allowing any baths (only quick showers), we stopped flushing toilets with only pee in them, we stopped all watering, and re-used water for cooking / cleaning etc... and i'm sure lots of other residents did as well, but none of that is worth anything if there isn't the rainfall to replenish, and if a fire happens. We all know how quickly and carelessly that can happen. These past couple years have taught us that Climate change is happening right now before our eyes, and we are experiencing new and unplanned events, so we need to be smart and not overextend our community. Please do not consider densification of any kind until we have proof that a new water supply is operational and has more than adequately covered our existing community.

Parking - This is a much needed injection of revenue and I feel like people coming from anywhere else should not be shocked at pay parking - We pay WAY more everywhere else that we go. They are coming here, draining our resources, the least they can do is pay for parking - And we think that the parking tickets should be expensive. If people choose to ignore paying. I am in favour of making more pay parking available, and looking at bumping up the parking rates each year by a nominal amount to increase with inflation and costs of maintaining this village.

Although we have only lived in Lions Bay for 2.5 years, we are Lions Bay people forever and we want the absolute best for everyone living in this community. We volunteer as much as we possibly can

with everything from the Events Committee, the Elementary School and preschool, and any other way that we can contribute & show our support.

We need to continue to apply for government funding and revenue streams that will help us sustain our quality of life rather than letting things fall apart.

Thanks for reading and considering these ideas.

Riley & Jason Darr

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From: nicola dudley <[REDACTED]>
Date: Friday, November 4, 2022 at 3:48 PM
To: Council <council@lionsbay.ca>
Subject: Beach Park Project

Hello,

I wanted to join the chorus of voices who are concerned about this potential delay to the beach park. This is a project that has been years in the making and desperately needs to be done sooner

than later. The washrooms are barely functional and in a terrible state of disrepair, and that playground is falling apart. My heart breaks to think that further delays will mean my kids never get to enjoy any of the new amenities.

I have seen so much controversy surrounding the cost of this project, but I think people are being very unrealistic if they think it could be done more cheaply. The bathrooms and septic upgrades alone will eat up a large part of the budget. I think it would be a tragedy if we didn't take advantage of this incredible grant that has come our way, to finally give the beach a much needed, and long overdue makeover.

Investing money into your community benefits everyone, even those that do not use the beach. Having a beautiful outdoor space for residents and visitors shows a sense of community pride and will also improve our property values. I really hope this project is finally pushed through to completion in a timely fashion. I know I speak for many residents who love and enjoy the beach, when I say that this needs to be done sooner than later.

Sincerely,

Nicola Dudley and Marcel Jakob

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From: Stephanie Beattie <[REDACTED]>
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Dear Council,

With a last minute meeting being called, I can only hope that the 'special' meeting means the beach revitalization will be proceeding. However, after reading the agenda, I see I was wrong. How can the

village, put the beach project on hold again? After fundraising initiatives, and endless feedback and planning, I'm disappointed to see a 'pause' being requested for 90 days.

So much time and energy has been wasted already, compounded with a pandemic, don't pause the fun on this village any longer but make ensure the beach project goes ahead as so many families depend on this beach for summer connections with the community.

Please move forwards, now is the time; May long weekend 2023 needs to see the beach park fresh, new and ready for those excited residents to enjoy.

Stephanie

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From: Hugo van Hoogstraten <[REDACTED]>
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Subject: Lions Bay Beach Park - parent inputs

Dear council,

First of all, congratulations with your renewals and entry into this important role in our community. You have my confidence and I expect you will transparently engage the community and deliver

action and results on many important topics for our community.

I am writing today regarding the Lions Bay beach park renovation plans.

As a parent of 2 young children under the age of 8 who attend Lions Bay school, I feel fortunate about the privilege of living in Lions Bay surrounded by forest and easy access to the beach. It's a wonderful place to play for our kids, summer and shoulder season.

I have observed and reported dangerous elements of the playground over the last 2 years. Especially the youngest children's playground feature is missing components that have broken down over time. Every time I guide my 1 year old daughter on the feature (with the tube), I need to ensure she does not jump off the area where there was once a slide, but is no more.

I very much support the investment into the renewal of the park to make it the shining beauty for current and future generations of children and visitors to come.

Priorities should be:

- washrooms, basic necessity for hygiene (toilets, handwashing sink, change room)
- safety of play features (no rust, sharp edges, missing components)
- fit for different ages of our community; a younger <5 year old play area, a player for the older school age children and tweens (a paved court would be great on the field with a basketball hoop added)
- covered area for those rainy should season picnics/dinners
- outdoor shower
- FUN!

It would also be great to see how this council plans to engage people of all ages in the consultation process. How will you engage the children in the community? I recommend you consider contacting the Lions Bay school (Ms. Mendes) and Gleneagles school for time to meet with the Lions Bay children or through other platforms to get their inputs, in addition to engaging their parents (multi channel).

I look forward to hearing your response and if you have any questions on the above.

Best regards,

Hugo van Hoogstraten