

## LETTER: Councillor's stance on density unchanged

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**Dear Editor:**

I am writing to correct a quote in your Aug. 3 story [Building to Begin on Lions Gate Towers](http://www.nsnews.com/news/building-to-begin-on-lions-gate-towers-1.2315464) (<http://www.nsnews.com/news/building-to-begin-on-lions-gate-towers-1.2315464>). The News has suggested that I changed my position on the Larco development at the bottom of Capilano Road. Nothing could be further from the truth.

I remain absolutely opposed to how density, unaffordability and vehicular congestion – in this corridor and throughout the district – has affected our quality of life. I think what needs to be clear, however, is that councils have very little ability to vote against development permits, which is what was being discussed (at the July 25 council meeting). Our power is at the rezoning stage and the majority of district council voted in favour of the Larco development in 2014 with Coun. MacKay-Dunn, and myself voting against.

Development permits discuss design, layout, size, etc., and unless dramatically different from the original concept, our powers are little. My support was for the design, as density had already been decided, without my support.

**Coun. Lisa Muri**

**District of North Vancouver**

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