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LETTER: Roundabouts make more sense than traffic lights

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Dear Editor:

The District of West Vancouver has announced they are going to introduce another traffic light, this time at 21st and Queens.

They say it will improve flow but the one they installed between Park Royal North and South does not improve flow; it is good for shoppers and Larco but is detrimental to traffic flow along Marine Drive, there now being six traffic lights in half a kilometre. Why do they not install roundabouts which are proven traffic movers, especially those without the introduction of speed bumps and stop signs! They have also just put a pedestrian traffic light at the bottom of Eagleridge which has to a be a real waste of our tax money.

As to the 21st and Queens proposal, the main flow is north-south so a roundabout would do fine. If they wanted to be even more innovative, why not just keep the east-west stop signs and drop the north-south signs so that the traffic does not have to stop on the steeps hills?

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Editor's note: For details of this project, go to <u>westvancouver.ca</u> (<u>http://westvancouver.ca</u>), scroll down to "Construction Updates" and click on "Queens Avenue & 21st Street Roadwork (Phase 2)."

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