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LETTER: Cast your vote to end gridlock

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Dear Editor: So nice to see "progress" on the North Shore. The developers are running roughshod over the municipality with wonderfully named housing projects. Everywhere you look, new condos are shooting skyward. And how does the North Shore handle all the growth? Let's rebuild the roadways all at once. Try to get around on the North Shore on any given day - Seylynn is a mess, Marine Drive and Capilano Road are torn up, the LowLevel Road saga continues, and what is that overpass going over Third Street hill? Is that for bicycles? The tax-paying bled-to-death automobile drivers are paying for that one. But wait - there is a solution. Let's add more stop lights, as if the one at Phibbs that routes traffic up the Cut was not enough (the light we all sit at and wonder why it is red). Then off down Dollarton with its two uncoordinated traffic lights within 100 feet. Who designs our road systems? Lower Lonsdale is now all torn up for god knows what purpose. It seems to me that "development" is just another word for chaos. We are back to the way traffic was 20 years ago with the lights at Cassiar and Hastings. Gridlock rules the Shore, folks. And just wait till a new traffic light appears on a street near you. Is this what the future looks like? Let's all get involved in community elections and end the madness. **Jack Oerlemans North Vancouver**

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