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Dear Mayor & Council: July 8/02

## Request for Public Inquiry: Dollarton Re-Alignment

I'm sure all of Seymour is pleased that the Dollarton re-alignment is finally open for traffic. However it's unfortunate that because the District did not exercise <u>due-diligence</u>, the project has cost taxpayers a lot of unnecessary additional expense. As such, I am calling for a public inquiry.

I believe it was <u>highly irregular</u>, <u>unprofessional</u> & <u>non business like</u> of the District to commence construction of the project before the land assembly for this road was complete. Such cavalier & irresponsible behaviour is clearly unacceptable from a municipality in charge of the public purse.

Instead of collecting interest in the bank, taxpayer money has been tied up for over two years in two kilometres of useless asphalt, while the District waited for resolution to the 'missing link' of the Dollarton re-alignment by third parties.

Bull Howser Tupper drew up a very thick & costly legal agreement to protect District taxpayer's interests, and I want to know what happened. Near the commencement, the local press reported that the District was under pressure to start the project & failing to do so might result in it's cancellation.

Be that as it may, I'd like to try & recover the half million dollars in lost interest as well as the additional costs of building this road in fits & starts.

Moreover there are other aspects, which should also be examined: namely, the District's interference in the quasi-judicial public hearing process which all but guaranteed the outcome. If you remember your Worship, the District started road construction on CanOxy property long before anything had been decided. Taxpayers would have lost over \$250,000 if approval had not been forthcoming. As it was the rezoning application was approved by the narrowest of margins (4 votes to 3).

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Therefore, I request a public inquiry into this affair. I'm looking for accountability by the District of North Vancouver.

Yours truly, Dave Sadler

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