

**Subject: FW:****Date:** Fri, 12 Sep 2003 11:48:03 -0700**From:** "Ernie Crist" <ernie\_crist@dnv.org>**To:** "FONVCA (E-mail)" <fonvca@fonvca.org>, <cagebc@yahoo.com>**CC:** "Mayor and Council - DNV" <Council@dnv.org>, "Senior Management Committee" <managecomm@dnv.org>

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From: Ernie Crist

Sent: Friday, September 12, 2003 11:40 AM

To: 'David Jenneson'

Subject: RE:

Hello David:

It is Councillor now not Alderman.

There is absolutely no evidence that more development brings more benefits, including tax benefits, as claimed. The additional taxes you get from the additional development is eaten up by new and additional or expanded services needed and then some. New schools, new traffic lights, new everything including health, water, police, recreation, hospital, more roads and more bridges etc.

However, that does not mean that all development is bad. The Pedestrian Oriented plan was not a bad plan promising, as it did, a people square and a people town center complete with people facilities and people amenities paid from the proceeds of the shared profits with the developers in exchange for higher density. None of this materialized and some people it seems simply do not understand this.

A pedestrian oriented town center is a place where people can walk to from the higher density buildings around the center and not only to the town center but also walk around inside the town center without having to contend with cars. Tell me pray is this the case here. What I see is a higher density all right and more people but not for the benefit of the people of Lynn 'Valley but for the benefit of the car mall. Let me emphasize this again. This is not the pedestrian oriented town center that was promised to the people but a car mall without the people amenities. As soon as the Core area was rezoned the developers came and built and left and that was it, my friend.

And now that the people want at least some of these amenities, including a library, they are expected to pay for it while the developers have left with their pockets full. And I am expected to jump with joy knowing what I do. Mrs Bragg and Mr. Dan Ellis claim that I voted in favor of the Plan - that is true - I voted for something that was promised - I did not vote for what we got. That is the whole point. We were duped - I should have known better but to trust people, who mismanaged not only the District Heritage Fund but every other fund and every other major project in the last 15 years. This is the issue and if people don't understand this then I cannot help them. However, there is a saying "never challenge a man's ignorance for he will hate you for the rest of his life".

Ernie Crist

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From: David Jenneson [<mailto:dmail@telus.net>]

Sent: Friday, September 12, 2003 9:57 AM

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