## COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE UPDATE TO AUGUST 23, 2023 (8:30 a.m.)

## Correspondence

- (1) August 16, 2023, regarding "Climate change: Extreme water stress affects a quarter of humanity and it's poised to get worse | CNN"
- (2) August 17, 2023, regarding "CBC News : San Francisco robotaxi traffic jam is a warning to the world, says city official"
- (3) August 17, 2023, regarding "Traffic through Dunderave, West Vancouver" Correspondence from Other Governments and Government Agencies
  No items.

**Responses to Correspondence** 

No items.

From: s. 22(1)

Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2023 1:28 PM

**To:** correspondence

**Subject:** Climate change: Extreme water stress affects a quarter of humanity and it's poised to get worse

**CNN** 

Hoping we can also find more ways to capture the water and expand our water basins; while we still have the precipitation.

Also hoping the "Powers that Be" are learning from the experts who dedicate their lives to research and recommendations; other countries, supporting new tech to use our rising ocean waters in creative, sustainable ways.

https://www.cnn.com/2023/08/16/world/water-stress-scarcity-climate-crisis-scn-intl/index.html

Warmly,

s. 22(1) West Van

"Inclusion without proper support is exclusion." - Anonymous

From: s. 22(1)

Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2023 7:22 PM

To: correspondence

**Subject:** CBC News : San Francisco robotaxi traffic jam is a warning to the world, says city official

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https://www.cbc.ca/radio/asithappens/san-francisco-robotaxi-traffic-jam-1.6938440

Hoping we learn from others and take their advice.

Warmly,

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West Van

From: s. 22(1)

Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2023 9:08 PM

**To:** correspondence

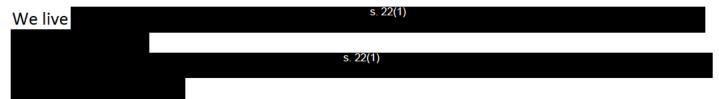
**Subject:** Traffic through Dunderave, West Vancouver

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Attention: Mayor and Councillors.

This is regarding traffic, speed and noise through the Village of Dunderave, West Vancouver on Marine Drive.

Basically from 23<sup>rd</sup> Street to 26<sup>th</sup> Street, but critically from 24<sup>th</sup> Street to west of 25<sup>th</sup> Street.



Without doubt, it is clear that the amount of traffic passing through our Village, on Marine Drive, has increased very significantly since we have lived here.

Marine Drive and 25<sup>th</sup> Street has become a bus terminus. IGA is now a major supermarket requiring delivery of goods by numerous very large trucks.

Since the Covid pandemic the north side of Marine Drive, westbound, was reduced to just one lane by creating a wider sidewalk allowing for restaurants etc. to utilize the extra space for outdoor dining.

Parking on this same side also creates the one lane westbound.

Recently a more permanent structure has been created on the road with benches and flower boxes etc.

The Village will certainly be further restricted when the south side 24<sup>th</sup> block rebuilding commences thus further impeding eastbound traffic.

While much of this adds to the Village atmosphere, with pedestrians crossing, not just at the formal crosswalks, but in fact at any point through the Village, the amount of traffic, the speed and the noise have become huge issues, in fact quite annoying and dangerous.

My first issue therefore is the 50KM/H speed limit through the village. This is all but insane! Traffic through our Village should be limited to 30KM/H or 35KM/H. I trust you will recognise this and act appropriately very quickly.

Marine Drive through the Gleneagles area, has far less traffic, trucks, busses and pedestrians, has been 30KM/H for many years.

Further, at these speeds, particularly trucks and cars, create a great deal of noise.

The traffic lights at 25<sup>th</sup> Street and Marine Drive, westbound, often act as a starting block for a race track!

Numerous times a day, and during the later evening, cars, indeed vans and motorcycles as well, rev their engines, some even screech their tires for whatever reason to speed off west on Marine Drive.

This creates a huge and annoying sound, particularly for us seniors.

There are some vehicles that also speed off eastbound from 25<sup>th</sup> Street through the Village. A reduced speed limit, with more speed signs and possibly a live 'your speed is' sign should, hopefully, solve much of this.

Further, Dunderave should be classified as a 'low noise zone', with the appropriate signs. Observations show that there are occasional accidents, many near misses, mostly with pedestrians, and often car and also bus hooters indicating traffic issues.

Please, let us create a real Village atmosphere by slowing traffic and reducing the annoying sound.

We would certainly appreciate your agreement and support.

