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Mayor & Council - the following are my comments on a several matters addressed at yesterday's Council meeting:

- **Zoning Amendment: 156 Fern Road West** - it was encouraging to see this application advance in a timely manner. It would be good to see more applications progress without the lengthy procedural delays that we have been seeing lately.
- **Zoning Amendment: 431 College Road** - it is good to see this rebranded Qualicum Heights project back on the table. This project has been with us for eons all the way back to 2007 or earlier and has had many reincarnations. Hopefully, this isn't just another chapter in this long saga with yet another surprise to come. The College Road residents deserve better and the town needs to resolve this long standing community eye-sore.
- **East Village Local Area Service Bylaw and East Village Loan Authorization Bylaw** - again good to see a major project starting to move forward. As noted several times, there are many moving parts in putting this all together and still a long way to go. Hopefully, the parties can now all agree on the financial arrangements needed to make it all happen.
- **2021 Regular Council Meeting Schedule** - it's unfortunate that a review of the meeting schedule for 2021 appears to have not considered having at least some evening meetings and that there's been no discussion with the public on what would be best. One could make the point that Council meetings are really for the public to conduct its business, not just for the convenience of Council and Staff. Some public dialogue would have been beneficial. The one positive was the recognition that afternoon meeting should start earlier and not run into family meal times.
- **Good to see a meeting completed in under 2 hours** - it can be done.

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