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## Gallery Comments April 28, 2021

### Public Works Yard

In response to councillor's comments about 987 Jones Street location for new Public Works Yard there appears to be confusion about the connection or relationship between the new Brewery under construction and relocating Works Yard. The fact that the Brewery is located in the current works yard and the Town's FAQ page about the development of the community park near the Parks Yard on Jones Street, it is understandable that people would perceive a relationship between the brewery and relocating the yard. Town's FAQ states, "...a portion of the current Public Works Yard (fronting Berwick Road) was designated as part of the East Village. In 2019, the Town approved a lease for a brewery to be built/developed in the area of the Yard that was designated as part of East Village."

### 545 Nenzel Road new development application

Council stated their support for the development of 545 Nenzel Road because it adds housing stock to QB. Support for developing this rural property contradicts the Town's and Council's earlier statement of assurance to the public that rural lands would be protected from development as per OCP policies.

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**Mayor & Council** - the following are my comments regarding the April 28<sup>th</sup> Council meeting:

❖ **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** - the Notices of Motion from the April 7, 2021 Regular Council Meeting (by Councillor Harrison) stated:

THAT Council direct staff to provide a report with information on the Town's water consumption and replenishment at a future Council meeting.

In the discussion that followed, Councillor Westbroek supported the motion and commented that this information would be beneficial to have in the context of '*providing water to other areas*' which is understood to be under consideration by the Town.

It is hoped that any discussion of providing water to other areas outside of the Town will give priority to areas within Town that have been attempting to be connected to Qualicum Beach water for many years. There are ways that this can be negotiated with the RDN and other water providers and be a win-win for all parties. This needs to be seriously explored.

❖ **431 College Road** - this project seems to be continuing its slow move forward but continues to present a lot of uncertainty. Hopefully, the Town doesn't push too far on reducing the density such that the project stalls again and the site runs the risk of looking the same in 2030. What will the immediate resident's think then?

Tim Pritchard

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**From:**  
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**Mayor & Council** - the following are my comments regarding the April 28<sup>th</sup> Council meeting:

- ❖ **1025 Qualicum Road (Pheasant Glen)** - the Council discussion on this matter was both confusing and perplexing.

On the Land Lift question, it was encouraging that, in the end, Council followed the CAO's recommendation to reference the assessment to the CAC policy, not specify a specific methodology and do this outside the public hearing process. This is a much more objective approach.

On the question of residential owners not being permitted to withdraw or opt out of the proposed 'rental pool' and the need for a legal opinion on the matter, this was a very circular discussion that really didn't get anywhere. The rental poll is a good idea to promote tourism and provide flexibility for property owners. However, if an individual owner decides that they do not want to rent their unit or property what does it matter if there's a restriction from not being able to withdraw from the rental pool? They just won't rent. So it's largely a non-issue and shouldn't require a legal opinion, unless Council plans to mandate that owners must put their unit in the rental pool and must rent it for some portion of the year. Such an approach seems to be fraught with problems, virtually impossible to administer and likely to lead to confusion and much ill-will.

Hopefully, common sense can prevail here and that the situation won't evolve into another project getting paralyzed and still being stalled in 2030.

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**From:** Laurie Sieber  
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**Subject:** Brief Summary: Council and Staff Do Not Answer email or Canada Post mail

Comment re Regular Council Meeting April 28, 2021  
Councillor Filmer and Councillor Harrison discussing contacting the Town for facts  
Sent via email to [communications@qualicumbeach.com](mailto:communications@qualicumbeach.com)  
Also printed and delivered to the Town Hall mail slot

April 30, 2021

Brief Summary: Council and Staff Do Not Answer email or Canada Post mail

To All of Council / Staff Concerned:

I listened with interest during the Council Meeting, to two Councillors implore the citizens of Qualicum Beach to “make sure you seek proper information”(Filmer) and “operate on the facts”(Harrison). I listened to the Mayor during the Committee of the Whole Meeting April 29, invite citizens to contact him directly and “as soon as we can we will get answers to your questions”.

So you are inviting communication from the Town’s citizens, and offering a response, and a quick one at that.

This has not been my experience. I have emailed the Town, Council members individually and certain Staff individually, on January 27, 2021 and February 8, 2021, and April 5, 2021. I even sent a letter to the Town via Canada Post on April 22, 2021. I have not received a response at all, from any person.

Please answer your citizen’s correspondence, as you say you will.

Thank you.  
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