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Viewing the June 16 Council Meeting in regard to the policy of CACs and Land Lift, it was extremely disappointing to witness the lack of respect the majority of council had in treating Qualicum Beach citizens equally and with respect.

Town voters appear to have elected people who lack integrity and the principles of fairness.

It's very sad, and doesn't bode well for our town's future.

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**Mayor & Council** - the following are my comments regarding the June 16<sup>th</sup> Council meeting:

❖ **Community Amenity Contribution (CAC) Policy** - it was disappointing that Council was not able to address the current CAC policy confusion in a constructive manner, leaving uncertainty to continue amongst a confused public. Many BC communities of a similar size have clear and comprehensive policies that provide certainty and avoid confusion - why not Qualicum Beach? What could be the possible benefits of the current approach? In fact, there are downside risks with a loosely defined policy that is open to tinkering based on individual bias.

As the Nanaimo CAC policy says: *'Applicants provide amenities as a way of ensuring that the proposed development is making a reasonably balanced contribution to the neighbourhood and community at large'*. This sounds pretty reasonable and is certainly understandable. Qualicum Beach can do better.

❖ **Council Meetings** - before taking its August break Council should decide and announce when Council meetings will return to the Council chamber. I see that Parksville has announced that the public will be welcome to attend council meetings in person beginning with its first meeting in September. This would seem to be reasonable timing. Step 2 of the BC Restart program currently permits *'indoor seated organized gatherings of up to 50 people'*. This would permit the Council, Staff support and up to 30 members of the public to attend Council meetings in person. This interim approach could include a provision for one or two representatives of each of the four residents' associations to have assured seats. It would be a positive for the public to see members of Council back in the Chamber again.

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Good day Your Worship and Council – herewith my comments on the council meeting held on June 16, 2021:

1. Memorial Avenue traffic calming / crosswalk – it was suggested by one Council members that “one-off” requests from citizens be given serious consideration, rather than the town having a planned approach to determining roadway use, especially since we have an Age Friendly Transportation Plan that the town has implemented and updated on a regular basis. If you follow the plan, you can advise citizens making request that they do not fit in with the AFTP and town policies.
2. Community Climate Change Adaptation Plan – this document already embodies a warning that adaptation to climate change is a priority. Adding the words “urgent priority” is a scare tactic which I do not appreciate.
3. The entire discussion on the Community Amenity Contribution (CAC) Policy was a disaster to watch. Qualicum Beach is way out in left field with our current policy based on land lift, which is specifically advised against by the provincial government. The proposed solution put forward by Councillor Harrison would have brought the town into alignment with other jurisdictions on the island, and was perfectly logical and easy to understand. This is another example of the town government making it extremely difficult for development of affordable housing, tourist accommodation and diversified housing stock which is sorely needed.

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