

# Maplewood Community Association

Mayor and Council,  
District of North Vancouver  
355 West Queens Road  
North Vancouver B.C.  
V7N 4N5

July 5, 2005

Dear Mayor and Council,

**Re: January 26, 2004 Council Motion**

As per a motion from our recent Maplewood Community Association meeting, I have been directed to write to you regarding unfinished business from the above mentioned council meeting. Two reports were requested from staff to be complete at the end of May 2004; a short time line was given because there was a feeling of momentum in Maplewood spurred on by the Maplewood Charrette. A year and a half has now passed with no evidence of a report or of much remaining forward momentum.

MCA is committed to improving the living and working conditions in Maplewood and would like to see the completion of these reports in the very near future. With the potential for much exciting progressive development in Maplewood it is essential that we prepare for it now so as to maximize the benefits to the community. The presence of the hazardous chemical industry that has such a profound negative impact on the planning and livability of our community needs to be addressed.

For your convenience I list below a copy of the motion and some notes from the minutes of this meeting.

Moved by Councillor CRIST, Seconded by Councillor NIXON and CARRIED

THAT

1. Staff report back on a phased Implementation Plan by the end of May 2004 to address the opportunities and recommendations in the Maplewood Project report; and
2. The report include steps that could be undertaken to encourage the hazardous chemical industries to relocate.

**During discussion, Council provided the following suggestions:**

- **Become pro-active in encouraging the reclamation of the Esso Site, and in the clean-up of graffiti and litter**
- **Install signage that will promote and reinforce a sense of ownership and community pride**
- **Approach Great West Life re assisting in the creation of an entrance “gateway” to Maplewood**
- **Establish concrete steps and funding towards implementation of the plan**
- **Explore the feasibility of instituting unique business license fees and tax rates for hazardous industries.**

**We would like to thank the District for having the graffiti removed from our community; we look forward to seeing progress on the other initiatives discussed, including the delivery of the outstanding reports in accordance with the January 26, 2004 council motion.**

**Thank you,**

**Tom Young  
Co-Chair, Maplewood Community Association**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom Young', written over a horizontal line.

**cc: James Ridge, Chief Administrative Officer  
Irwin Torry, Manager Community Planning  
Doug Alan, DNV Community Planner**