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From: [Lisa Elser](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: Against the referendum
Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025 12:06:01 PM

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Dear Mayor and Council,

I'm writing to oppose the motion to further delay much needed development with a referendum.

This would do nothing but waste our money and waste all of the time, effort, and community engagement that's already gone into this project. At the end of the day, we'd be poorer, we'd be in violation of provincial mandates, and we'd be facing a project that because of delays would be denser, higher, and with fewer amenities.

Some on council seem to be like children trying to postpone their bedtime. One shrill voice shouldn't get to overturn the election and the voices of the rest of council who were elected overwhelmingly.

Lisa Elser
Port Moody

From: [Terry Linburg](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: Proposed 40 story tower for Port Moody Centre
Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025 12:06:21 PM

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Good afternoon members of Port Moody council.

At times, I am not sure that the council understands the 'forever' decision that they are about to make. Port Moody, going all the way back to its founding as the terminus for the Canadian Pacific Railway, has a special place in the hearts of Canadians. This community is so unique in so many ways and deserves to be protected and respected.

There are already huge high rise communities being built on either side of Port Moody centre which will already dramatically increase traffic congestion and the public use of limited city facilities. But of greater concern is protecting the 'human scale' that has made Port Moody such a special place to live. Paving over and wiping out all that makes Port Moody unique is a terrible route to go. The geographical limitations of downtown Port Moody make large format high rise projects unworkable and it will reduce the movement of goods and services through the region and reduce the quality of life for all. Large towers create shadows and a sterile monolithic environment. In Europe and other parts of the world, they would never dream of imposing such a dramatic change on a historically important city.

There are already way too many of these high rise buildings in the planning / building stages and this is the most short sighted decision I've ever witnessed by council.

Council often speaks of being 'concerned for families' and the well-being of the middle class but these types of massive towers are the opposite of that. Families, seniors and others want developments that

are thoughtful of place and on a scale that is community focused. Building up to six stories is a much better way to go. This allows for a more 'gentle' density in the heart of the city, a gathering place and cultural centre for all. It is impractical to raise a family in a large high rise and it is also impractical for seniors as well.

Major world cities like Paris have mostly six story apartment buildings which respects history and supports a vibrant street life and culture.

I am very concerned and perplexed why Port Moody City council is in such a race to turn Port Moody into a sterile and soulless community where maximum density is the only concern. This development will be permanent and will change the city forever. Building smaller, more thoughtfully is in the city's long term interest.

If the council goes ahead and builds these giant towers it will destroy the quality of life that Port Moody is known for. Any tower, whether it be 40, 60, or 80 stories won't, on their own, "solve" the current housing crisis in any way. As we all know, that can only be solved by managing immigration flows into the country; a federal responsibility.

Please please don't ruin Port Moody. If council proceeds, this will be your legacy.

The community and all the people and families I speak with in my neighbourhood are NOT in favour of these projects in the city centre. Please listen to the will of the people.

Sincerely,

Terry Linburg
Port Moody resident

From: [Bronwyn Specht](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: Referendum
Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025 12:08:42 PM

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Stop! St John's is already a nightmare. Rocky Point is anything but a quieting experience. Overcrowding is the villain (or perhaps a council that supports overcrowding is the villain). Please give your heads a shake before you permanently destroy Port Moody.

Bronwyn Specht

Port Moody resident for 46 years

Sent from my iPad

From: [Anthony Sandler](#)
To: [Council](#)
Cc: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: A Referendum? Agenda item 11.1
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With regards to agenda item 11.1 on tomorrow's regular council meeting agenda, I want to express my hope that council will reject this motion should it receive a second and be brought to a vote. I have noticed a pattern with Councillor Lurbiecki, that she seems to think she alone speaks for the people of Port Moody. But the council we have was elected with a clear mandate for responsible growth in Port Moody. Growth means building. Responsible means both inline with the needs of the community but also with respect to the economics of building things and understanding our place as part of a larger metropolitan region.

The majority of this council have shown a strong understanding of how a community grows, how things are paid for and what their responsibilities are with regards to maintaining infrastructure while the city does finally grow. We have great city staff who will work through the challenges. All very responsible. This is moderate growth in relation to our region.

The average resident of Port Moody can be swayed by emotional arguments that traffic is a nightmare, hospitals and school overrun, towers are ugly, we are losing nature, but council needs to make decisions based on facts, not emotion. A referendum is a huge waste of money and energy, will polarize the city and frankly, will eventually be meaningless as we have no choice but to grow. We cannot grow out so we have to grow up. The province is not going to sit there while we pretend we live in a bubble and not a metropolitan area.

Anthony Sandler
Port Moody

From: [Doug Burton](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: Referendum vote...
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Hello,

Please take note that I am in favour of holding a referendum on the proposed 40-storey development at Moody Centre. Please make sure council is advised of this at tonight's meeting.

Thank you,

Walter "Doug" Burton
[FIPPA s.22 Personal Privacy](#), Port Moody

Sent from my iPhone

From: [GLENN LUNDEN](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: In favour of Referendum on 40 story towers in Moody Center
Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025 12:31:24 PM

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I fully support a referendum on the proposal to build 40 story towers in Moody Center. As a 25 year resident of Port Moody, we only get one chance to get this right. In my opinion, destroying the skyline with 40 story towers, is not getting it right !! I grew up in the 60's and 70's in the Brentwood Mall area of North Burnaby. I am absolutely horrified with what that area has become !! It's incredibly Ugly, and I believe should not be a blue print for Port Moody development !!

Glenn Lunden
[FIPPA s.22 Personal Privacy](#)
[Redacted]

From: [Don Lloyd](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: We need a referendum on building to stop towers above 26 stories
Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025 1:30:58 PM

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Hello

I support a community referendum on building any towers in Moody Centre, to prevent towers building higher than 26 stories, and for the whole community.
There should also be one parking stall for each unit . No parking space, no unit should be built.

Regards,

Don Lloyd
Resident of Port Moody

From: [Carol H](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: Attention Mayor and Council
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I completely oppose the proposed TOD in Moody Centre. The design is not conducive to the character of the area. It does not appear to have any LEED accreditation or green space to enhance the massive impact it will have on our 'gem'; Rocky Point Park. The density is totally unmanageable since there is no infrastructure to support these massive structures.

Since we already have Inlet district and Portwood developments well underway, might we take a breather to see the overall impact to the surrounding community before giving the green light to what will completely change our City forever.

We pay taxes and should have some say in how our community growth is managed. Please hear the people you represent, and reconsider the approvals for the TOD and make it more in keeping with why we chose to live here.

Carol Henney
[\[REDACTED\]](#)

Sent from Carol's iPhone

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: I am in SUPPORT of ITEM 11.1 on the Feb. 11, 2025 agenda

Chris Culos
Resident if 30 years in port moody

Thank you

From: [C & B Osborne](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: Referendum
Date: Tuesday, February 11, 2025 2:17:47 PM

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We would like to provide notice that we support having a referendum on the 40 story towers being considered in Moody Centre.

Cathy and Bill Osborne

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From: [Jeff milani](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: Public Input in
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I am in support of item 11.1 on the February 11th 2025 agenda. I feel we should go ahead with a referendum to find out what residents really think about all the towers being proposed for Moody Centre. After all we are the ones that live here , would be nice to be heard .

We continually continue to share our beautiful city with more people and property taxes. Just keep going up and up. Were are way past provincial mandate for new homes needed . Time to ask us are you going to?

Jeff Milani, Port Moody

Thank you

From: [Petra McKean](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: New towers referendum
Date: Wednesday, February 12, 2025 6:38:20 AM

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Respected elected officials and Madame Mayor,

I absolutely disagree with this ill-planned vision of our beautiful little city. I vote no! Stop the densification! You are not building any more roads, we are crowded as it is, and we are losing the small town character people move here for.

Who is pushing for this madness? The developers? Their hands should be nowhere near city councils' pockets. No one on council should have ANY financial ties to developers.

Thank you,
Petra McKean,
Resident of Port Moody

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From: [Ingrid Reynolds](#)
To: [City of Port Moody - Clerks](#)
Subject: Towers, Port Moody
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Construction of 3 enormous towers will dramatically change the area. It will affect traffic negatively, and impact the feeling of more accessible community. Folks moved to these areas outside of Vancouver because of affordability and a feeling of less stress. Towers of people close together, funneled up and down each day is half-assed addressing a housing crisis. More thought needs to go into it for longer term sustainability and safety. Look into lower buildings built around courtyards.

Regards,
Ingrid Reynolds