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REGIONAL DISTRICT  
of NANAIMO

Re: "Regional District of Nanaimo D69 Swimming Pool Service Amendment Bylaw No. 899.02, 2022"

Dear Mr. Grant,

As the Elected Representative and Director for Electoral Area E (EA "E") of the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN), I am confirming that **I DO NOT Consent** to the adoption of "Regional District of Nanaimo District 69 Swimming Pool Service Amendment Bylaw No. 899.02, 2022. I am asking that you not approve the amendments.

I have attached a scanned copy of my signed non-consent form.

This Bylaw amendment which would result in the **forced** inclusion of EA "E" as a full participant in the Service, at a significant near and longer-term tax requisition impact, **without the RDN providing an electoral approval voter assent opportunity for residents and property owners of EA "E" to give their collective consent is neither fair nor reasonable**. Nor has the RDN followed or utilized its public engagement and consultation policies and practices to engage with or consult the residents of EA E on this matter.

At the December 7, 2021 RDN Board meeting, only Parksville, Qualicum Beach and EAs F, G and H Directors were eligible to vote on a Board motion to approve a \$20 million Option 00 upgrade to the Ravensong Pool. That \$20 million was included in the 2022 – 2026 Financial Plan, which I have not supported at this time. The RDN EA "E" aquatics funding option No. 2 ( 50% Usage/50% assessment phased in over 5 years) was moved and carried only one week later on December 14, 2021 and the D69 Swimming Pool Bylaw amendments brought forward for 3 readings soon after at the January 11, 2022 Board meeting. These motions were carried without any Board effort to engage with or consult the residents of EA "E".

The RDN 1993 motions to proceed with Service Establishment and Borrowing Authority referenda to establish and fund the service without EA "E" as a participant were approved unanimously by the Board. The voters of Parksville, Qualicum Beach and EAs F, G and H had an opportunity to vote in those referenda. As non-participants the residents of EA "E" did not. There have been no electoral approval processes relative to this service carried out since that time with respect to participant changes or funding authorization. To approve these Bylaw amendments, at this time, without EA "E" electoral approval is not correct or appropriate. The current Bylaw amendment motion by the RDN Board does not have the unanimous support of the Board in 2022. EA "E" residents must have an equitable opportunity to give their consent.

Under RDN procedural bylaws myself and the previous EA "E" Directors have not been permitted to speak to or vote on any matters pertaining to the funding, design, location, construction, project capital cost, operation, maintenance or expansion to the Ravensong pool service at either the committee or Board level. Based on the significant distance from Nanoose to the Qualicum Beach located pool and the demonstrated historical minimal and declining pool usage by residents of EA "E" (RDN 2010 and 2015 Recreational Facilities Usage Surveys), I do not believe the residents of EA E have received any significant benefit from this D69 Ravensong Pool.

**I ask that you do not approve these Bylaw 899.02, 2022 amendments.**

I am sending this letter by registered mail.

Regards,

Bob  
  
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cc. Mr. Tyler Brown, Chair, Regional District of Nanaimo

Attachment


Confirmed  
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Rogers

## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

I, Bob Rogers, Director for Electoral Area E of the Regional District of Nanaimo, consent to the adoption of "Regional District of Nanaimo District 69 Swimming Pool Service Amendment Bylaw No. 899.02, 2022".

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DATED at Nanaimo, BC )  
this 13 day )  
of JANUARY 2022. )

  
Director Bob Rogers  
Electoral Area E