

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to you today for 2 reasons:

1. The intersection lights at Function Junction and Highway 99.

- The duration of the weekend lights at this intersection on a Friday and Sunday is now dangerous (and inconvenient) for those south bound vehicles making the left turn into the neighbourhood of Cheakamus Crossing. This particular neighbourhood has grown exponentially in size and is earmarked for another 300 units over the next few years. I have now witnessed, on more than one occasion, where this left turn lane is now backed up out of the turn lane and into the driving lane. With the speed limit of 80km/hour coming around a difficult downhill corner, I have safety concerns of a potential fatal crash.
- In addition, the length of time to turn northbound out of both Function Junction and Cheakamus Crossing can be lengthy on the weekends. Out of Function especially where I have heard that it could sometimes take more than 25 minutes to get through the light on a Friday afternoon when leaving work.
- Perhaps a reduction of speed limit and traffic circle should be of consideration to keep traffic moving in all directions and maintain safety.

2. The intersection at Spring Creek Drive and Highway 99

- The Spring Creek Neighbourhood is not only a residential neighborhood, but is also home to a fire department, local schools, and a daycare. The intersection at the highway is not controlled and as a parent when dropping or picking up my kiddo, there is an immense amount of risk when turning southbound onto Highway 99 from Spring Creek Drive. Vehicles on the highway are travelling 80km or more in both directions at this "uncontrolled intersection" and I would hate to see a fatality or be involved in any type of an accident, before it is decided that this intersection needs to be improved from a safety standpoint. Speed reductions and/or a traffic circle would be my suggestions in the hopes to keep traffic moving in all directions and increase the safety of that intersection.

I completely understand the issue with traffic lights and holding up traffic as we welcome tourists to beautiful Whistler. Traffic circles in Europe work amazingly at keeping the flow of traffic moving in a safe controlled manner. Unfortunately, in North America, we are not very well educated on how to move through this type of intersection, but I feel it should still be considered.

Thank you for your time. I am happy to have a telephone conversation with anyone listed on this email.

Best regards,

Christian

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