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Dear Mayor Windsor and Council,

I am writing to formally express my profound disappointment and opposition to the current redevelopment plans for the municipal hall site at 1903 Mt. Newton Cross Road.

I have been a resident of Central Saanich for over 30 years. While I currently reside in North Saanich, Saanichton Village remains the hub of my daily life; it is where I shop, travel, and attend essential medical appointments. Having lived in this community for three decades, I have seen it evolve, and I deeply value the unique rural charm and "human scale" that makes Saanichton special.

I am gravely concerned by the following:

- [REDACTED] For a community I have called home for 30 years, this feels like an abandonment of the "small-town feel" that residents have consistently fought to protect.
- **A "Forced" Process:** It appears that Council is forcing this [REDACTED] development forward as a *fait accompli* to offset the costs of the Hovey Road project. This "top-down" approach feels rushed and dismissive of long-term residents' values.
- **Lack of Transparency:** I am concerned about the appearance of conflicts of interest within this Council. Given the scale of this project, the public deserves absolute certainty that decisions are not being influenced by professional ties to the development industry.
- **Disregard for Community Input:** Despite my 30 years of engagement with this District, I feel the current Council is ignoring genuine public feedback in favour of a pre-determined, [REDACTED] outcome.

I urge Council to pause, respect the [REDACTED] of the existing Village Design Plan, and prioritize the community's integrity over maximum density.

Sincerely,
Danny Schaftlein

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