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To: [Ron Lychak](#)
Cc: [Ian Thorpe](#); [Richard Harding](#); [Al Britton](#)
Subject: Re: Additional benches around Westwood Lake
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Thanks for this suggestion and the work you put into the petition. As you can see, I have copied Ian Thorpe, Chair Parks and Recreation Committee, on this email and I have included our staff.

Ian, I wonder if this is something the PRC could look at?...db

Sent from my iPad

> On Jun 18, 2018, at 10:44 AM, Ron Lychak wrote: >

> Dear Mayor and council,

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> I am writing you today in an attempt to have more park benches installed around the 6 KM trail of Westwood Lake.

> I have been in correspondence with Mr. Allan Britton, City Parks manager of operations, over the last year on this issue.

> There have been 2 additional benches installed making the total of 3 for the whole trail.

> The closest bench from the parking lot going clockwise around the lake is approximately 2 KM away. Going the opposite direction the closest is approximately 1 KM.

> Many people with limited mobility or reduced function can't enjoy the trail system because of shortage of rest station around the lake.

> Lots of people use the trail for rehabilitation and exercise and are unable to go all the way around and enjoy this wonderful trail.

> Over a 5 hour period from June 2-3, 2018, I collected over 150 signatures from city residents requesting more benches, which I sent to Mr. Britton.

> Mr. Britton agrees with me that more benches are required, but he lacks direction on this issue.

> With Nanaimo growing and the population aging more people will require additional resting stations. The trail around Westwood needs to keep up to date.

> In closing, I'm attaching the signatures gathered and trust you will give the request consideration and make this trail accessible to all.

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> Thank You

> Ron Lychak

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