



THE DEPUTY GOVERNMENT LEADER ALSO MADE COMMENTS ON YELLOWKNIFE'S VIOLENT CRIME RATE, WHICH I MUST ADD WAS NOT UNDER DISCUSSION AT THE COUNCIL MEETING HE ATTENDED. I BEG TO DIFFER WITH THE DEPUTY GOVERNMENT LEADER'S COMMENTS. OUR VIOLENT CRIME RATE IS NO MORE OR NO LESS THAN ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE TERRITORIES. IF THE DEPUTY GOVERNMENT LEADER IS CONCERNED, MAYBE HE SHOULD LOBBY HIS OWN GOVERNMENT TO HAVE THE LOCAL RCMP DETACHMENT BROUGHT UP TO ITS FULL MANPOWER REQUIREMENT. AT THIS TIME I BELIEVE THEY ARE ABOUT 6 MEMBERS SHORT. ALSO, CRIME PREVENTION IN YELLOWKNIFE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH THEIR CONTRACT WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

I AM SORRY THAT WE, AS AN ELECTED COUNCIL, WERE NOT ABLE TO COMFORT MR. KAKWI BUT IF HE HAD NOTIFIED US OF HIS CONCERNS AHEAD OF TIME, PERHAPS WE COULD HAVE WORKED TOGETHER AND ALLEVIATED SOME OF HIS CONCERNS. I MUST ADMIT THAT I WONDER WHETHER MR. KAKWI'S SUDDEN INTEREST IN YELLOWKNIFE'S PERCEIVED CRIME RATE AND OUR PERCEIVED LACK OF PLANNING MIGHT HAVE BEEN TRIGGERED BY A PERCEIVED THREAT TO HIS OWN NEIGHBORHOOD.

I BELIEVE THE CITIZENS OF YELLOWKNIFE REALIZE WE ARE GROWING INTO THE CAPITAL CITY AND THAT THIS GROWING HAS ITS UPS AND DOWNS, BUT OVERALL THEY FIND OUR CITY AN ENJOYABLE PLACE TO LIVE AND RAISE A FAMILY, AND LIKE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE MANY AMENITIES THAT HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR THEM THROUGH THEIR TAX DOLLARS OVER THE YEARS.

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**RESPONSE TO MR. KAKFWI'S COMMENTS**

TO MY KNOWLEDGE THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT MR. KAKFWI HAS ATTENDED A CITY COUNCIL MEETING AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN. IF I HAD KNOWN AHEAD OF TIME, I WOULD HAVE FOREGONE PROPER PROTOCOL AND HONOURED HIS DESIRE TO ATTEND THE COUNCIL MEETING AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN AND NOT AS THE DEPUTY LEADER OF OUR GOVERNMENT.

THE DEPUTY GOVERNMENT LEADER MADE CERTAIN COMMENTS ABOUT THE ABILITY OF THE CITY TO PLAN FOR THE FUTURE WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF HIS KNOWING THE MUNICIPAL PROCESS. I WOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO ENLIGHTEN HIM OR HE COULD READ OUR COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT WEEK FLYER, WHICH WILL BE IN TOMORROW'S YELLOWKNIFER. HIS CONCERN ON REZONING IN HIS NEIGHBORHOOD WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION ALONG WITH THE OTHER 4 OR 5 RESIDENTS ALSO OPPOSING THE REZONING, THE SAME AS THE CONCERNS OF THE MANY OTHER RESIDENTS WHO DO NOT OPPOSE THE REZONING WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION.

THE PLAN REFERRED TO IS THE OLD TOWN SECONDARY DEVELOPMENT SCHEME, WHICH COVERS ALL OF THE OLD TOWN AND WHICH WILL BE COMPLETED IN APPROXIMATELY JUNE OF 1991. JUST BECAUSE THERE IS A PLAN OF REDEVELOPMENT THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE WORLD STOPS. PROPER MUNICIPAL PROCEDURES ACCORDING TO THE CITIES, TOWNS AND VILLAGES ACT AND THE GNWT PLANNING ACT WILL BE ADHERED TO WITH PUBLIC HEARINGS, ETC., BEING HELD. IN CASE THE DEPUTY GOVERNMENT LEADER IS NOT AWARE, ANY CHANGES IN ZONING MUST BE APPROVED BY HIS COLLEAGUE, THE MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS