

## Fraseropolis.com Urban Villages Index

**Lynn Valley September 9 2016**

Approximate number of walkable storefront blocks = 7

| Criterion   | Points available | Points scored | Comments  |
|---|------------------|---------------|---|
| Availability of housing choices within walking distance, including seniors' housing; housing in village core  | 20               | 13            | A seniors tower, rental housing, townhomes and condos in the southwest quadrant. New condos along Mountain Highway as part of the accelerated development flowing from the 2011 plan. |
| Transit hub with frequent service (i.e. ≤ 15 minutes) along diverse routes  | 12               | 5.5           | 12-minute peak hour service to downtown Vancouver; otherwise 30 minute service to Lonsdale, Phibbs, Cap College and Park Royal  |
| Area plan or strategy; municipal policies to promote mixed-used development; incentives or mechanism to create mixed-use development; funding for infrastructure and beautification | 12               | 10            | Local government is enabling a commercial upgrade and residential transformation of the village core along with pedestrian and green space improvements                               |
| Everyday services for residents e.g. food market, drug store, clothing, dry cleaning  | 10               | 6             | Supermarket and independent food markets, banks, pet shop, bike shop  |
| Access to trails, walkable waterfront or heritage neighbourhood   | 8                | 6             | Extensive park/trail system to the west of the village core connects to the forest wilderness   |
| Public amenities: arts centre, recreation, library, museum, seniors' or community centre  | 8                | 6             | Library and art gallery, community hall, North Vancouver Museum. Recreation centre and seniors' activity house are close by (5-700 metres).   |
| General aesthetic appeal/ambience   | 6                | 3.5           | A beautiful mountain setting, several parks. The village core is dominated by parking lots (2016).  |
| Variety of modest-cost dining for employees, families   | 5                | 3             | Heavy on the fast food  |
| Office space for local professional services  | 4                | 3.5           |   |
| Quick access (walk, bike or transit) to next village  | 4                | 0             |   |
| Sidewalks to standard   | 3                | 2             | The 2016 village layout is dominated by parking lots  |
| Effective business improvement association  | 3                | 2.5           | Website is attractive, but has no reference to community  |

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| Availability of pre-school care            | 2          | 1.5  |   |
| Outlets for local artists and craftspeople | 2          | 2    | Arts Council organizes exhibitions at the Library art gallery |
| Bicycle racks or bicycle parking           | 1          | 1    |   |
| Bonus points: parking meters               | 2          | 0    |   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                               | <b>100</b> | 65.5 |   |