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White Rock Uptown February 9 2013

Approximate number of walkable storefront blocks -- 15

Criterion	Points available	Points scored	Comments
Availability of housing choices within walking distance, including seniors' housing; housing in village core	20	15	There is considerable density around the village. However, most seniors' housing listed in "White Rock" is actually South Surrey.
Transit hub with frequent service (i.e. ≤ 15 minutes) along diverse routes	12	6	Frequent service to Bridgeport Station on the Canada Line. Half hourly service to Guildford. Community shuttles.
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	2008 community plan emphasizes mixed use, walkability. Points to the Council for perseverance. The sidewalks and lighting have been prettified in the past; could use a touch-up.
Everyday services for residents e.g. food market, drug store, clothing, dry cleaning	10	7.5	
Access to trails, walkable waterfront or heritage neighbourhood	8	5	Wonderful waterfront is fairly close, but down a steep hill
Public amenities: arts centre, recreation, library, museum, seniors' or community centre	8	5	Library, museum, performing arts theatre. Recreation and seniors centres are a bit of a hike
General aesthetic appeal/ambience	6	4.5	
Variety of modest-cost dining for employees, families	5	3	
Office space for local professional services	4	4	
Quick access (walk, bike or transit) to next village	4	4	Contiguous with South Surrey village
Sidewalks to standard	3	3	
Effective business improvement association	3	3	One of the few that mentions "community" on its website
Availability of pre-school care	2	2	
Outlets for local artists and craftspeople	2	1	
Bicycle racks or bicycle parking	1	1	
Bonus points: parking meters	2	0	
TOTAL	100	74.0	