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It is difficult to comment on a plan with such a broad general outline. However, one glaring item was an allocation of \$11 million for further improvements to the pier. The repairs to the pier look good and you already spent \$4 million pouring concrete all over the water front so I think you have spent enough in this area. Why you would need to drive an ambulance down the pier is beyond me when it is used only for strolling. The missing tee portion with boat moorage cannot be justified for rebuild when it would benefit so few people. The rest of the pier appears solid so why replace it with steel/concrete pilings.

The second area of concern is the city's lack of a comprehensive plan to maintain and improve the streets. You may think you have one but it has been an abysmal failure with repeated deferral of projects and visible deterioration of road surfaces.. Two examples are Royal Ave and Cypress St. which don't even have sidewalks and curbs. I have travelled the world and there are third world countries with better streets than we have in some areas of White Rock.

The third area of concern is adequate dollars for maintenance of the few parks and green spaces we do have in White Rock. There is apparently a Parks Dep't but in the interest of honesty I think you should rename it the Dep't of Weeds & Neglect. You spend all the money on the water front and ignore the other areas of White Rock. The appearance of the parks, round abouts and walkways is frankly an embarrassment and needs to be addressed.