

Subject: [Fwd: Fw:]

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To: Corrie Kost <kost@triumf.ca>

Subject: Fw:

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CC: "FONVCA" <fonvca@fonvca.org>, "Mayor and Council - DNV" <Council@district.north-van.bc.ca>

Dear Ms. Hilsen:

I picked up the following letter from the FONVCA web site which was forwarded by Councillor Crist. It is my understanding that the topic of "request from the public for information" does not qualify as a subject to be discussed in-camera under the LGA. I would appreciate an explanation.

Yours truly,
Dave Sadler

> > -----Original Message-----
> > From: Ernie Crist
> > Sent: Wednesday, December 05, 2001 3:15 PM
> > To: Mayor and Council - DNV
> > Subject:
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> > Mayor and Council:
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> > I wish to register once again my strongest possible objection against
the
> > In Camera Council decision of Dec. 3 -2001 pertaining to " Requests from
> > the Public for Information". This latest action constitutes nothing
less
> > than a blatant attempt to intimidate, harass and prevent the public from
> > obtaining accurate information and deny the public's right to be
treated
> > with professional respect.
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> > I should caution you that the right to open government and to freely
> > access non misleading information is enshrined in law. That this Council
> > is tampering with this right under the pretext of protecting staff or
> > itself from harassment by the public, is nothing less than scandalous.
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> > It is clear from the statements made by certain members of Council
during
> > the debate that this issue has been concocted for purposes which can
> > only be interpreted in two ways. Either this Council wants to hide
> > important facts from the public and/or enshrine a practice that has
> > become all too prevalent since this CCA endorsed Council was elected -
> > namely to continue to allow the provision of misleading information
and
> > not just to the public but also to elected officials and/or ignore such
> > requests altogether as was the case with the recent expense account
issue
> > for example.
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> > Ernie Crist,
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