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Dear Editor: Oct 2, 2001

I believe District Council has acted irresponsibly in its precedent setting decision to sell services to T'sleil-Wa'tuth Nation at **8% below cost**. For every \$1 cost of services provided (water, fire, police etc) to Burrard Band's condominium developments, the District is only charging 92 cents.

Councillor Harris stated that this was a "fair agreement." A fair agreement to whom, I wonder? Certainly not to the people Council purports to represent. A fair (or non-profit) service agreement would be one whereby services are sold at cost. When services are sold to the Band at less than cost, I believe any rationale person would describe this as an UNFAIR agreement.

Instead, Council members make much ado about establishing good neighbour relations with the Burrard Band. I always thought such relationships were based on things like consideration, respect, fairness & honesty. It's too bad that District Council thinks that such attributes can be bought with money.

It's no wonder the District is a financial basket case. Inflation is at 2% while this year our municipal taxes rose 6.8% - how fair was that? This is another award winning incident for the District Hall of Shame.

Yours truly, Dave Sadler

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