

Subject: Authorized Occupations and Trespasses of District Owned Lands and Unopened Road Allowances

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Dear Mayor & Council: Sept 30, 2001

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During the recent Council debate over this issue, **Councillor Dunsford** pointed out that many occupiers & trespassers of District land provide landscaping & maintenance at no charge to the District. **Ms. Dunsford** believes that this somehow justifies the District leasing of such land for a fraction of its worth.

I like the other 99% of District residents maintain the public boulevard on the front & side of my home (corner lot). Not only do I cut the grass, it is also hand weeded & fertilized.

Never for an instant do I think that the property is mine, that it should be annexed as part of my lot, that the public should be restricted from using this property or that I should charge the District for maintenance. I think of myself as a public-spirited member of the community, doing my bit & paying my share!

Councillor Dunsford & her supporters on Council are dead-wrong in believing that residents should pay a fraction of market value for such annexing & using public land.

If everybody paid their **'fair share'** in this District, 99% of taxpayers would pay less tax.

Yours truly Dave Sadler