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Dear NSN Editor:

As NV City & District are co-partners in running the Rec Commission, I feel it is untoward that rates should differ depending upon which municipality one resides. I'm referring to the 'rebate' offered to seniors by City Council but rejected by the District. Such discriminatory action undermines the spirit & intent of the joint agreement and should not be allowed. As partners the City & District are obliged to work together for a common solution for ALL North Vancouver residents.

It would seem petty politics is undermining sound fiscal decision making. Both Municipalities are currently building artificial turf fields which will be jointly managed by the Rec Commission. Yet instead of working together and putting out a joint tender for the two fields, each was done separately. Any rational person would agree that tendering the two artificial turf fields together would have received a lower bid.

The same inept behaviour is being exhibited over new dog pound facilities. Instead of a practical cost saving solution, the City & District are each looking for independent solutions, which I regard as totally absurd. And why we continue to need two separate fire department administrations is beyond my comprehension. The only rationale explanation is Mayor Sharpe's 'perceived' conflict of interest that everyone (including the NSN) is too embarrassed to discuss.

I have no time for petty politics or Mayors who chose to run their municipalities like feudal fieldoms. They play their silly little games, all at our expense. That's why I'm calling for a clean sweep in November 2002 to bring 'Smarter Spending' back to the North Shore.

Yours truly, Dave Sadler