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Subject: FW: Assessment;
  Date: Sat, 10 Jan 2004 08:53:51 -0800
  From: "Ernie Crist" <ernie_crist@dnv.org>
    To: "FONVCA (E-mail)" <fonvca@fonvca.org>, <cagebc@yahoo.com>
> Subject:
                FW: Assessment;
> Motion: Report Councillor Crist.
> That staff be requested to provide a report including recommendations as to what steps
Council can take to alleviate the hardship many residents of the District are subjected
to as result of the dramatic increase in the assessment of their properties on one hand
and the limitation of the homeowner grant by Provincial statute on the other hand.
> Rationale:
> Assessments in the District of North Vancouver have escalated THIS PAST YEAR TO AN
UNUSUAL DEGREE. This has been the result of a boom in the real estate market.
> While some property owners ( Seniors) may defer taxes, this is not an option which
applies to all.
> Council can provide leadership on behalf of our citizens who are adversely affected by
this development. This can be done by lobbying the Provincial Government to adjust the
existing homeowner grants to a degree that affords protection against these dramatic
increases in the assessment, which have been especially acute on the North Shore.
> According to recent news stories the Provincial Government has made adjustments in
certain area of the Province to that effect. The purpose of this motion is to ask the
Provincial government for the same kind of protection for the residents of the District
of North Vancouver.
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