

**Subject: Request for tax exemption by eh North Shore Winter Club;;**

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A MESSAGE FROM ERNIE CRIST

YOUR OPINION IS SOUGHT ON THE FOLLOWING ISSUE;

Ms McMillan, Recreation Commissioners Perrault and Nixon, Mr. Walker and Winter Club staff convened an extraordinary meeting (under the rules of the current public curling agreement) to deal with the findings of the benchmark data and the 2004-2005 curling fees.

The main issue identified was the fact that all the other curling organizations in the Lower Mainland Benchmark groups were EXEMPT FROM LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES, while the Winter Club is not and this has had an impact on the cost of the public Curling program relative to the benchmarked fees. As well, there has been a significant migration of curling program relative to public curling. That, combined with declining numbers of total Curlers, has been a hardship for the Winter club.

It was subsequently moved by Commissioner Perrault, seconded by Commissioner Hunter that, on behalf of the North Shore Winter Club, the District of North Vancouver be requested to exempt the Club from the property taxes attributable to the provision of public curling of approximately \$ 17,000 effective January, 2005 and that the NSWC provide a letter of support to the NSWC's application.


Do you agree that the District should provide the Winter club with a tax exempt status at an annual cost to the District of \$ 17,000. The Winter Club is a private Club.

Please indicate your response with a yes or no and if necessary provide a brief comment.

Yours truly,

Ernie Crist

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