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Mayor and Council;

I request that the photocopying fees charged to Mr. Jeremy Dalton regarding information on the Edgemont Village liquor store re-location as requested by Mr. Dalton be waived.

My rationale is as follows. The policy states that Council may wave such fees if the public interest would be served. I believe this to be the case here.


Staff in a timely fashion and on more than one occasion notified Council of pending legislation in an attempt to alert Council to initiate the necessary actions to prevent the re location of this particular liquor outlet should Council wish to do so. Council did not do so. The item was never brought back for a final Council decision as should have been the case. As a result the necessary time needed to prevent relocation was missed. There is widespread suspicion in the community including by myself that this was done deliberately in an attempt to insure that the relocation could occur without any legal recourse.

Whether this is so or not is pure speculation. What is not speculation however, is that for one reason or another the necessary zoning changes were not made even though staff notified Council in both 2002 and again in 2003 and on more than one occasion. That no action was taken is a serious matter and brings into question the integrity of District Council including myself.

In light of this it behoves Council for the sake of open government to wave the fees for the information requested by Mr. Dalton who not only has the moral right to access this information but also the duty to do so in light of his legal training as well as a concerned resident of the District and do so without having to pay the astronomical sum of \$ 135 photocopying fee.

Thank you,

Ernie Crist

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