Subject: FW: Sad Evening for District of North Vancouver Residents

Date: Tue, 8 Feb 2005 00:15:27 -0800 **From:** "Ernie Crist" <ernie_crist@dnv.org>

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Dear Mr. Brear:

Charging for parking goes against my principle too. However, I voted in favour because the argument for or against parking fees is academic in any case and so is the argument that we are already paying for it through our taxes. It is academic since parking spaces will be limited to such an extent that it makes no difference one way or another. There will not be sufficient parking and the demand will grow rapidly regardless.

As a result there will be parking on streets and that means that we will have to implement residents parking only regardless. That too is inevitable. As a North Shore resident you can at least buy a ticket for \$20 per year which will give you a better chance to get a parking place since it will discourage people from other jurisdictions bringing their cars. Also, it will be an incentive for the District to build more parking spaces which will not happen otherwise.

Yours truly,

Ernie Crist.

If you can argue with my reasoning I will be glad to listen.

----Original Message----

From: David Brear [mailto:dbrear@shaw.ca]
Sent: Monday, February 07, 2005 11:27 PM

To: DNVCouncil

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Dear Mayor and Council Members, I was deeply saddened by your decision this evening to charge parking fees for Lynn Canyon, Cates and Panorma Parks. I watched intently as the vote took place and I hoped that other council members would vote with Lisa Muri and Jim Cuthbert to defeat the motion. But no !! How can you justify in your hearts the very idea of charging parking fees for public parks that for years up until tonight were free ? I am truly disappointed in your reasoning and your lack of courage to say no. I am going to try and be there at council and I will ask the same question during public input. What do I tell my children happened to the free park system in North Vancouver District ? I have been a resident of the North Vancouver District for 32 years. I enjoyed taking my out of town guests to Cates Park and Lynn Canyon Park. Now I will do what I do with Stanley Park and that is drive through and do not stop in what used to be a public park. I ask you what is next, will you have to pay an admission charge to the parks ? It is truly a sad evening for North Vancouver residents. Do we not pay the highest taxes in the lower mainland ? What are they for ? I thought public parks were for the benefit of all. I guess I was wrong. Take care,

David Brear

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