

**Subject: [Fwd: FW: FW: Grouse Grind]**

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**Subject: FW: FW: Grouse Grind**

**Date:** Mon, 23 Apr 2001 10:30:49 -0700

**From:** Ernie Crist <CristE@district.north-van.bc.ca>

**To:** "fonvca@fonvca.org" <fonvca@fonvca.org>

-----Original Message-----

From: Ernie Crist

Sent: Monday, April 23, 2001 10:22 AM

To: Nathalie Valdes

Subject: FW: FW: Grouse Grind

Notice of Motion:

That Mayor Bell provide a report on the "Grouse Grind" issue as reported in a recent news story of the "Georgia Straight" including as to how the GVRD decision might impact the District and

further how the Mayor voted on this matter including his rationale for doing so and further

an explanation as to why when this decision had to be made In-Camera, Grouse Mountain Management was involved in the debate with the GVRD but not the public and further

what Council can do to protect the interest of the public in the District's own backyard including requesting taht the GVRD Board postpone any decision to sell Grouse Grind prior to an extensive public debate.

Rationale:

A recent story in the Georgia Straight as attached revealed that the GVRD Board had given its chief administrator authority to sell the publicly owned Grouse Grind to private interests. According to the story the (GVRD) Board made this decision In Camera and without informing the public and or without any public debate.

The Mayor of the District Don Bell is a member of the GVRD Board yet failed to inform his Council of this decision.

Since the Grouse Grind is publicly owned and is of considerable importance to the public at large and District residents in particular, it behooves Council to debate this issue in public before any further step is being taken.

Ernie Crist

-----Original Message-----

From: Corrie Kost [<mailto:kost@triumf.ca>]

Sent: Sunday, April 22, 2001 4:59 PM

To: Ernie Crist

Subject: Re: FW: Grouse Grind

See url

<http://www.fonvca.org/Issues/Grouse-Grind/19apr2001.htm>

Thanks for tip Ernie !

Ernie Crist wrote:

> > -----Original Message-----  
> > From: Ernie Crist  
> > Sent: Sunday, April 22, 2001 4:00 PM  
> > To: 'FONVCA'  
> > Subject: Grouse Grind  
> >  
> > The most recent edition of the Georgia Straight (Apr 19 - 26, 2001) has  
> an  
> > article under "Straight Talk" on Page 9 which states the following: "The  
> > Greater Vancouver Water District Board has quietly granted authority to  
> > the regional district's chief administrative officer, Johnny Carline, to  
> > sell the publicly owned Grouse Grind. Greater Vancouver Regional  
> District  
> > spokesperson Bob Padden told the Straight that the municipal politicians  
> > on the GVWD Board made this decision recently at an in-camera meeting.  
> >  
> > "We had no consultation with anybody on it." Padden said.  
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> > Under the Local Government Act, he added, decisions dealing with land  
> must  
> > be made behind closed doors. Padden said he couldn't say whether or not  
> a  
> > new owner would impose a fee to hike the 2.9 kilometer trail up the  
> south  
> > face of Grouse Mountain, which is now free.  
> >  
> > "At this point, there is no sale in the offing." Paddon said.  
> >  
> > He also said that the GVWD might sell the land to avoid liability, he  
> > added. The water district owns most of the land, he added. The trail,  
> > which is now closed because of ice and snow, is not designated as a  
> > regional park.  
> >  
> > According to the GVRD, 100,000 "trail users" climb the Grouse Grind each  
> > year. Paddon said that Grouse Mountain Resorts Ltd. has been involved  
> in  
> > discussions about the long term management of the trail. Company  
> > president Stuart McLaughlin was unavailable to comment by deadling."  
> > Byline Charlie Smits.

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