

**Subject: Notice of Motion; Councillor Crist re Herbicides and Pesticides**

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Notice of Motion Re port Councillor Crist

Recommendations

That in line with a request by Doug Courtemanche Chair Masters Gardeners Association of BC, the Council of the

District of North Vancouver based on the recent decision by the Supreme Court of Canada which was rendered on June 28 2001 enact bylaws which will prohibit the use of pesticides and herbicides, etc, within District boundaries on both public land private properties.

Rationale

In a recent correspondence the Chair of the B.C Association of master Gardeners has appealed to the District of North Vancouver to ban the use of herbicides and pesticides within District boundaries.

Canada's Cities and Municipalities in the past did not have the absolute power to legislate the banning of such harmful chemicals as may be used in herbicides and pesticides. However, in a recent landmark decision by the Supreme Court of Canada the right of municipalities and cities to enact such legislation and or bylaws was upheld and confirmed.

The harmful effect of substances found in Herbicides and pesticides for the public health has been well established.

In light of this, the Masters Gardeners Association of B.C. has appealed to the Council of the District of North Vancouver to enact the appropriate bylaws.

Both Port Moody, as well as the City of Victoria have already taken steps which will in most likelihood lead to the banning of the above noted mentioned harmful substances. It behooves the District of North Vancouver with its highly developed environmental awareness on one hand and the extensive use of herbicides and pesticides due to its single family character on the other hand to enact similar bylaws and that staff be requested to draw up an appropriate policy for Councils consideration.

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