

Subject: FW: Notice of Motion - Report Councillor Crist;

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> Motion - Regulations of Hours of Business - Report Councillor Crist

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> That the Council of the District of North Vancouver follow the example of the Council of the District of West Vancouver and send a letter to Community groups including FONVCA and Business Association groups as well as the North Vancouver Chamber of Commerce to request input regarding the regulation of Hours of Business in the District of North Vancouver and further

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> that the City of North Vancouver be invited to do likewise.

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> Rationale:

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> In January, the Provincial Government will be enacting the new Community Charter. This Charter will be replacing parts of the existing Local Government Act and bring many changes as to how municipalities can foster the economic, social and environmental well being of their communities. In addition, the Provincial Holiday Shopping Act has been repealed leaving greater flexibility for regulating business hours on Sundays and Holidays.

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> Included in these changes are the ability to regulate the hours of business, not only broadly within a Municipality, but also for different classes and business areas. What this means is that different areas of the District could have different hours of business operations. Additionally, certain types of businesses could also have different hours of operation. The Charter will permit the District of North Vancouver to design more flexible regulations if it so wishes so as to better balance neighborhood, business and community needs.

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> On the other hand, Council may not wish to interfere and leave this matter entirely in the hands of the market. This may be difficult, however, since it raises a whole number of other related issues.

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> However, notwithstanding the above, this issue should be presented to the community for feedback. It may also be advantageous to determine a common policy with the City or at least explore and exchange ideas before any possible unilateral steps are taken by either municipality.

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