

**Subject: A personal review of DNV 2005 Property Taxes**

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Your Worship & Members of Council,

I live in a home that has remained relatively unchanged in the past 20 years. It also falls roughly in the middle in assessment and thus fairly represents a typical home in the district.

I wish to report the following:

- overall my 2005 "property taxes" increased about 7.6% over 2004
- the CPI for Vancouver increased about 25% since 1992 but my "property taxes" have increased by 95% since 1992
- school taxes (before grant) have increased about 42% since 1992.
- "core" municipal taxes (incl road , referendum, and garbage) have increased 83% since 1992.
- Sewer Maintenance and Drainage have increased 155% since 1992
- Water has increased 108% since 1992 (with no quality changes)
- Basic Home owners grant has increased only 4% since 1992
- GVTA taxes have increased an astounding 412% since 1992

Conclusion:


"Property taxes" need to be brought under control tighter as such increases are not sustainable.

Your truly,

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ps. I have attached an xls spreadsheet so that the above can be verified.

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