

ITEM	5
MANAGER'S REPORT NO.	39
COUNCIL MEETING	May 30/77

Re: LETTER FROM WM. J. TESTAR LTD.  
1065 GROVELAND ROAD, WEST VANCOUVER  
INCREASES IN LICENCE FEES, REALTY TAXES, AND WATER AND SEWER RATES

Appearing on the agenda for the May 30, 1977 meeting of Council is a letter from Wm. J. Testar regarding his dissatisfaction with increases to water and sewer rates and other charges as well.

The Municipal Treasurer would be prepared to continue in his endeavour to contact Mr. Testar, and upon having done so, to reply directly to his letter if this would be acceptable to Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT the Municipal Treasurer be requested to reply directly to Mr. Testar.

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25 May 1977

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TO: MUNICIPAL MANAGER  
FROM: MUNICIPAL TREASURER  
RE: LETTER FROM WM. J. TESTAR LTD.  
RE INCREASES IN LICENCE FEES, REALTY TAXES,  
WATER AND SEWER RATES

On the agenda for 30 May 1977 appears a letter from Wm. J. Testar Ltd., 1065 Groveland Road, West Vancouver, B.C., re the above.

Mr. Testar is perfectly correct in speaking of the 15% increase in licence fees. This took place with the amendment of the licence by-law last Fall. Mr. Testar does not give us a property description of the apartment building that he has used as an example. I suspect that the 16% increase he refers to in land taxes includes \$900 in flat water and sewer charges placed on the tax roll as of 1 May. Taxes themselves on properties not affected by the Provincial Home-Owner Grant are up 5.6% over 1976.

I have endeavoured to contact Mr. Testar by telephone, without success. I have written him for clarification.

I have no comment to make on the balance of his letter.



MUNICIPAL TREASURER

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