



Corporate Report

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TO: **Mayor
&
Council** DATE: **September
27, 2004**

FROM: **City Clerk** FILE: **1970-04**

SUBJECT: **SECTION 225 TAX EXEMPTION BYLAW NO.
15478**

**For properties under Section 225 of the
*Community Charter***

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received; and

That Council consider three readings of the "Section 225 Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 15478".

BACKGROUND

The permissive exemptions included in this Bylaw are heritage properties which fall within Section 225 of the ***Community Charter*** S.B.C. 2003, Chap. 26, and receive a 50% tax exemption. The legislation provides that a Bylaw under Section 225 may only come into force once notice of the proposed bylaw has been given and the Bylaw is adopted on or before October 31 in any year, adopted by 2/3 of all Council members.

In previous years, heritage properties were included in the general bylaw for permissive exemptions. However, the ***Community Charter*** provides that only exemptions under Section 225 now require a 2/3 vote of all Council members.

DISCUSSION

Applications for 4 heritage properties were received. Estimated value of the exemptions is as follows:

2005	\$1,428.12
2006	\$1,469.54
2007	\$1,512.16

NEW APPLICATIONS

- (1) Daniel Johnson House, 13951 Crescent Road – this property is covered under City of Surrey By-law No. 14203, and a Heritage Revitalization Agreement. The property has been included on the By-law and it is in order for Council to approve a 50% tax exemption.

CONCLUSION

The Section 225 Tax Exemption Bylaw has 4 properties listed, and requires a 2/3 affirmative vote of all Council members. Public notice will be given in accordance with the Community Charter, following first, second and third reading of the By-law.

In order for the listed properties to receive a tax exemption in 2005, Council must pass this Bylaw by October 31, 2004.

Margaret Jones
City Clerk