

NO: **R172**

COUNCIL DATE: **September 14, 2009**

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council**

DATE: **September 9, 2009**

FROM: **City Clerk**

FILE: **1970-04**

SUBJECT: **SECTION 224 TAX EXEMPTION BYLAW NO. 16973
For properties under Section 224 (2) (g) of the *Community Charter***

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the report be received; and
2. That Council consider three readings of the "Section 224 (2) (g) Tax Exemption By-law 2009, No. 16973".

BACKGROUND

The exemptions included in this By-law fall within Section 224 (2) (g) and are for land or improvements used or occupied by a religious organization as a tenant or licensee, for the purpose of public worship, or for the purposes of a hall that Council considers is necessary to land or improvement used or occupied by a religious organization as a tenant or licensee.

These permissive exemptions require notice to the public. The By-law must be adopted on or before October 31. An affirmative vote of a majority of Council members is required.

DISCUSSION

Applications for 11 properties were received, and all have been included in the By-law. In each case, the application has been reviewed and certain verifications conducted to ensure the properties meet the criteria for the legislation.

Estimated value of the Section 224 (2) (g) exemptions is as follows:

2010	\$21,313.00
2011	\$22,361.00
2012	\$23,455.00

New Applications:

- (1) Surrey Fellowship Gospel Assembly, 13760 – 104 Avenue (Schedule A, Item 11) – this is an existing applicant that has leased property at a new location (see changes below). The property has been included in the By-law for Council consideration.

Applications Not Renewed/Changes:

- (1) Rock of Salvation Church, 9059 King George Highway – this property has been sold and the church did not submit an application for exemption for a new location.
- (2) Vancouver Hanbit Presbyterian Church, #101A, 15290 – 103A Avenue – this church has ceased operations in Surrey.
- (3) Surrey Fellowship Gospel Assembly, 13668 Hilton Road, 13673 – 108 Avenue, 13672 Hilton Road – this church has vacated these premises and is now leasing property at 13760 – 104 Avenue for which a new application has been submitted for Council consideration. (See New Applications, #1)

Not Recommended:

None.

CONCLUSION

The Section 224 (2) (g) Tax Exemption By-law has 11 properties listed, 1 of which is a new application. All applications have been checked and verified to ensure they comply with the legislation.

In order for the listed properties to receive a tax exemption in 2010, Council must pass this By-law before October 31, 2009.

Jane Sullivan
City Clerk

Section 224 (2) (g) Tax Exemption By-law 2009, No. 16973

SCHEDULE A

	PID	LEGAL	Name	Address	Folio No.
1.	015-340-929	That 4954 square foot portion of Lot 18, Section 20, Township 2 Plan NW3116 New Westminster District Part NE1/4 leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship.	Grace Baptist Church 224(2)(g)	18 – 13478 – 78 Avenue	6204-98087-7
2.	024-942-626	That 7,000 square feet of land and 12,000 square feet of improvements, Lot B, Section 29, Township 2, New Westminister District Plan LMP48694, leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship.	Bear Creek Punjab Cultural Society 224(2)(g)	8580 – 132 Street	6294-91001-8
3.	001-093-347	That 7,820 square foot portion of Lot 203, Section 20, Township 2, New Westminister District, Plan 62200, leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship.	Salvation Army Surrey Community Church 224(2)(g)	#4 – 13570 – 78 Avenue	6204-85202-4
4.	006-153-631	That 5,040 square foot portion of Lot A Section 20 Township 2 Plan 43080 New Westminister District Except Plan B/L 66875, LT A (R122902) leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship.	Celebration Life Ministries 224(2)(g)	13369 – 72 Avenue (known as 13369A&B, 13371A&B, 13373B – 72 Avenue)	6201-90013-5
5.	025-175-009	Lot 1, Section 15, Township 2, New Westminister District, Plan LMP51687, leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship.	Ismaili Jamatkhana Prayer Facility 224(2)(g)	15177 – 68 Avenue	6154-00007-8

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6.	008-364-745	That 5,502 square foot portion of Lot 28, Section 10, Township 8 New Westminster District, Plan 37223, SW 1/4, leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship.	Lighthouse of Faith Fellowship 224(2)(g)	#8 – 19335 Langley Bypass	8102-27002-0
7.	001-184-342 001-184-351	That 6,204 square foot portion of Lot 52 Section 28 Range 1 Plan 58484 New Westminster District, leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship.	Praise International Church 224(2)(g)	15290-103A Ave (known as #103 – 15310 – 103A Avenue)	1280-50502-3
8.	023-852-020	That 1,615 square foot portion of Lot 4, Section 22, Township 1, Plan NW 2669, New Westminster District, Part NE ¼, Strata Phase 2, leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship.	White Rock South Surrey Jewish Community Centre 224(2)(g)	#32 – 3033 King George Highway	5224-98014-8
9.	024-047-171 024-047-180 024-047-198 024-047-201	That 2,027.2 square foot portion of Lots 3, 4, 5 and 6, Section 17, Range 2, Plan LMS3109 New Westminster District Strata, leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship.	Celebration Christian Fellowship International 224(2)(g)	#106 – 12332 Pattullo Place	2170-98004-0 2170-98005-2 2170-98006-4 2170-98007-6
10.	010-205-772	Lot 1, Section 24, Range 2, Plan 16807 New Westminster District Except Plan A 14399, leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship.	Hahn Seok Buddhist Foundation 224(2)(g)	14069 – 104 Avenue	2240-00014-4
11.	007-159-021	That 1,569 square foot portion of Lot 64 Block 5 North Section 26 Range 2 West Plan 35233 New Westminster District, leased and occupied for the purpose of public worship	Surrey Fellowship Gospel Assembly 224(2)(g)	13748 – 104 Avenue (known as 13760 – 104 Avenue)	2260-56502-5