



Property Assessment Appeal Process

The District of Stewart is aware of Stewart residents' concern due to the increase in their recent property assessment. At the Regular Meeting of January 11, 2016, Council made a motion to express concern to BC Assessment regarding the increase in some of the property assessments in the District of Stewart and to request that the maximum increase not be higher than 13%. Even though Council has sent this letter to BC Assessment, as a property owner, you are still required to initiate your own individual appeal process with BC Assessment – this is outlined for your information below:

Appeal Process

Contact your local BC Assessment office as most concerns can be resolved through discussion with staff. If you are still not satisfied after discussing your concern, an independent appeal process exists to have your assessment reviewed. The first level of appeal is to the Property Assessment Review Panel (PARP).

PARP panels hear assessment complaints between February 1st and March 15th of each year. For owners who are not satisfied with a PARP panel decision, a second level of appeal is to the Property Assessment Appeal Board (PAAB).

About Appeals

Deadline

Notice of Complaint (Appeal) Process

The deadline to appeal your 2016 Property Assessment is Monday, February 1, 2016.

Formally appealing a property assessment is referred to as filing a Notice of Complaint. Section 33(2) of the Assessment Act requires that appeals be filed with the assessor no later than January 31. Because January 31 falls on a weekend, the deadline is extended to February 1.

For more information, please contact your local assessment office 1-866 valueBC (1-866-825-8322)

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