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### 2010 Tax Notices in the Mail

Tax notices are in the mail, and the City of Campbell River is reminding property owners that taxes are due by Friday, July 2.

*“Taxes paid by property owners in Campbell River contribute to a vast array of services that meet a wide variety of community needs,” says Mayor Charlie Cornfield. “Although service demand always seems to outweigh resources, Council strives to find a fair and responsible balance based on what the community can afford and is willing to fund.”*

This year’s municipal budget results in a slight decrease (averaging \$15.03 per year or 0.21 per cent) for business taxpayers and an increase of \$84.98 per year or \$7.08 per month (five per cent per year) for the average residential property taxpayer.

The brochure included with your tax notice outlines highlights of the City’s 2010 financial plan and offers information about how funds are distributed. There’s also a reminder for residential property owners to check their tax notice and user fees to ensure any charges related to secondary suites reflect activated or de-activated status.

Things to remember about the Home Owner Grant:

- Residential property owners can claim the Home Owner Grant without paying property taxes.
- Banks and financial institutions cannot claim the home owner grant for you.
- How to apply for the Home Owner Grant
  - Go online to [www.campbellriver.ca](http://www.campbellriver.ca) and click on “Home Owner Grant” then launch the Home Owner Grant application from the link at the bottom of the screen. Use your access code (called “Access” on your tax notice, beside the folio number)
  - Apply in person at City Hall from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

Property tax payment can be mailed or paid in person at City Hall, and post-dated cheques are accepted.

Property owners who have not received a tax notice by June 3 are asked to contact City Hall at 250-286-5715.

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