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From: Councillor Suzan Hall

CC: Members, Executive Committee
Chief Bill Blair, Toronto Police Service
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Patsy Morris, Committee Administrator, Executive Committee

Re: **Identifying Fibre Assets in the City of Toronto**

A few months ago, I discussed the City's existing fibre network assets with Police Chief Bill Blair. We agreed that there was merit that municipal bodies utilize and share their existing fibre network assets with each other to maximize cost and service efficiencies provided that that security and information integrity was not compromised.

I would like to recommend that the Executive Committee request City staff to investigate all City-owned (including ABCs) fibre assets as well as stranded fibre assets. Stranded fibre assets are located within City-owned tunnels, ducts, sewers and were laid by companies which have closed down or relocated. Those unused cables may be of use to Toronto.

The goal is to produce a comprehensive schematic detailing locations/control/use and bring the City and the ABCs together for a discussion of shared use of those existing assets. Only once that has been done, existing assets fully identified and utilized to maximum capacity and potential, should the City look toward an investment in new assets and services.

This exercise would certainly permit a full understanding of the City's Fibre Asset Inventory and from that make informed decisions going forward.

Sincerely,

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