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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

**Re: EX18.2 - Follow-up Report on the Toronto Ward Boundary Review**

Please find attached a copy of the letter (October 21, 2016) from the City Clerk to the Mayor and Members of City Council regarding the receipt of a petition under s. 129 of the City of Toronto Act requesting City Council to pass a by-law revising the ward boundaries.

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**To:** Mayor and Members of City Council

**From:** Ulli S. Watkiss, City Clerk

**Re:** **Petition Received under s. 129 of the City of Toronto Act**

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I am writing to inform you that on October 20, 2016, the City Clerk's Office received a petition under s. 129 of the City of Toronto Act requesting the City to pass a by-law revising the City's ward boundaries. The petition submitted by Brian Graff on behalf of the Beach Community Association states:

"We ELECTORS of Toronto hereby PETITION Toronto City Council to pass a BY-LAW within 90 days to revise the Ward Boundaries, in accordance with Section 129 of the City of Toronto Act 2006. We intend to file an appeal with the OMB if an acceptable By-law is not passed.

We oppose "Option 2" with 44 wards, which would split The Beach neighbourhood into 2 Wards, with one extending into Scarborough.

We support the passage of "Option1" with 47 wards, which would maintain the existing boundaries of Ward 32 Beaches-East York."

If it is determined that the petition is sufficient to meet the statutory requirements, City Council has 90 days to pass a by-law changing the ward boundaries. Ninety days from October 20, 2016 is January 18, 2017.

If City Council does not pass a by-law in accordance with the petition within 90 days after receiving the petition, any of the electors who signed the petition may apply to the Ontario Municipal Board to make an order imposing changes to the City's ward boundaries.

**Next Steps:**

**1. Examination of the Petition** - The City Clerk's Office has started reviewing the petition for its sufficiency under the Act. The Act requires the signatures of 500 electors in the City whose names appeared on the voters' list for the last regular election (i.e. 2014 general election).

**2. Report to Council** - The City Solicitor and I will report directly to the City Council meeting on November 8 and 9, 2016 with background on the petition and the applicable law as well as City Council's options in response to the petition.

**Inspection of the Petition:**

If you wish to inspect the petition, you may do so in the City Clerk's Office on the 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, West Tower during regular business hours.

**Questions:**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself or Bonita Pietrangelo, Deputy City Clerk, Election Services at 416-392-8019.

Original signed by Ulli. S. Watkiss

Ulli S. Watkiss  
City Clerk

cc Peter Wallace, City Manager  
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Bonita Pietrangelo, Deputy City Clerk, Election Services  
Peter Notaro, Executive Director, Strategic & Corporate Policy