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Response to Administrative Inquiry
Re: Toronto Fire Services – Open Data

Councilor Paul Ainslie submitted an Administrative Inquiry under Municipal Code S27-61 to seek information regarding Toronto Fire Services (TFS) open data referenced in 2016.CD13.7. The basis of the Administrative Inquiry is to seek answers to the following questions:

1. **Why has Toronto Fire Services (TFS) not released the open datasets as per the City of Toronto's mandate?**

Toronto Fire Services (TFS) made the full incident response data set available on the Open Data portal November 2016. Annual incident data is provided for 2010 through 2015.

TFS incident data is a comprehensive data set that includes incident details, classifications, time-stamps and unit responses details.

The following is the link to the TFS Open Data portal:

http://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=e04015093da69510VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD&vgnextchannel=1a66e03bb8d1e310VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD

TFS also provides daily specific "live-time" data for all active TFS incidents across the City. The contents are updated at five minute intervals and are drawn directly from the CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) system. TFS Active incident data can be found at:

http://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=38b3e5e1b4c62410VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD&vgnextchannel=7d173497436e1410VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD

2.   When will TFS regularly release open data sets and update on a regular basis?

TFS updates the Open Data portal with new data once per year.

The most recent set of annual incident data will be made available once the data has undergone quality assurance through the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management (OFMEM).

3.   When will TFS provide a detailed list of the soon to be release open data sets with the date for release?

TFS expects to release the 2016 annual data set by the end of July 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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