
City Council**Notice of Motion**

MM38.17	ACTION			Ward:All
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Request for a report on a strategy to re-purpose City computers and IT equipment - by Councillor Joe Mihevc, seconded by Councillor Sarah Doucette

** Notice of this Motion has been given.*

** This Motion is subject to referral to the Government Management Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.*

Recommendations

Councillor Joe Mihevc, seconded by Councillor Sarah Doucette, recommends that:

1. City Council direct the Chief Information Officer and the Chief Purchasing Officer to prepare a report on a digital inclusion and digital equity approach to re-purpose City computers and other appropriate IT equipment; such approach should be developed and implemented in consultation with other City Divisions and charitable social enterprise organizations that refurbish computer equipment, and to report back to City Council through the Government Management Committee in the first quarter of 2019.
2. City Council request the City Manager to consider this approach as an element in the next Council term action plan for the City of Toronto's Poverty Reduction Strategy.

Summary

In 2007, the City implemented an IT Asset Disposal Policy that intended to make surplus electronic devices available to non-profit organizations to further extend technology access to those in need. Over the last three years, only a limited number of viable surplus devices have been donated. This underscores the need for an updated policy to use this opportunity to contribute to the City of Toronto Poverty Reduction Strategy by looking to remove barriers and enhance efforts to extend technology access through organizations serving low-income residents in our City.

Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM38.17