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SPECIAL REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given of the following Special Regular Meeting of Council:
June 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall

AGENDA

Call to order.

REPORTS FOR ACTION

1. **Internet Service Provider Agreements**, Director of Finance and Information Technology

ADJOURNMENT



REPORT

Finance and Information Technology

To: Mayor Côté and Members of Council **Date:** 6/6/2016

From: Gary Holowatiuk, CPA, CA **File:**
Director of Finance & Information
Technology

Item #: 202/2016

Subject: Internet Service Provider Agreements

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Internet Service Provider (ISP) agreements on behalf of Council.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the proposed agreements with Internet Service Providers (ISPs) interested in leasing dark fibre from the City of New Westminster.

DISCUSSION

As part of the Intelligent City initiative, the City is currently building a fibre network infrastructure that would allow the Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to lease dark fibre from the City to offer affordable high speed Giga-bit Internet services to the community.

A number of ISPs have expressed interest in entering into lease agreements with the City and staff have prepared the necessary lease agreements allowing the ISPs to purchase dark fibre from the City.

There are currently four ISPs interested in leasing dark fibre from the City: Urban Communications, Novus Entertainment, AEBC Internet Corporation and Uniserve Communications. Residents and business owners will be able to buy their high speed Internet

and other related services from these ISPs directly. The City is planning to link up MDUs with 50 units or more, and business premises that are located in downtown and uptown corridors with fibre beginning in September 2016.

An Open House event is planned for June 21 at Anvil Centre to officially launch the City's Fibre Network (BridgeNet). Amongst the invited guests will be residents, strata managers, business owners, industry peers, municipal colleagues and public media companies. BridgeNet and the ISPs will have display booths and staff at the event, and be ready to answer any questions from the public or prospective customers.

INTERDEPARTMENTAL LIAISON

This report is written with collaborations from Information Technology Services, Finance Services and Electrical Services.

OPTIONS

- 1) The Council approves the recommendation.
- 2) The Council provides further directions to staff.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends Option 1

This report has been prepared by Alvin Chok, Chief Information Officer

This report was reviewed by:

Approved for Presentation to Council



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