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COUNCIL DATE: **September 10, 2012**

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## REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council**

DATE: **September 6, 2012**

FROM: **General Manager, Engineering**

FILE: **5450-30 (Bell)**

SUBJECT: **License Agreement with Bell Canada for Use of Road Allowances**

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## RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that Council authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute a license agreement with Bell Canada (“Bell”) that will act to grant Bell a non-exclusive right to install, operate and maintain telecommunications infrastructure for a 10-year period within the 140 Street and 100 Avenue road allowances as illustrated on Appendices I and II attached to this report.

## BACKGROUND

Bell has approached the City for permission to install, operate and maintain underground fibre optic cables within the 140 Street and 100 Avenue road allowances as illustrated in Appendices I and II. This infrastructure will allow Bell to provide telecommunication services to the RCMP E-Division. Prior to such an installation Bell must enter into a license agreement with the City for the use of the road allowances.

## DISCUSSION

The City has entered into similar site-specific license agreements with other telecommunications carriers including A2B, Allstream, AT&T, Bell Mobility and Rogers. The proposed agreement is consistent with the FCM National Telecommunication Handbook and Access Agreement template. In accordance with the template, the City will receive payment for administration and causal costs for granting Bell permission to use the road allowances.

Legal Services has reviewed the proposed agreement and has no concerns.

## **SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS**

The expansion of telecommunications infrastructure that is contemplated by Bell will assist in achieving the objectives of the City's Sustainability Charter; more particularly the following:

- EC2: Economic Development Strategy and an Employment Land Strategy – The proposed infrastructure will provide expanded communications capacity for the RCMP E-Division in support of economic development in Surrey; and
- EN8: Sustainable Engineering Standards and Practices – The construction processes that will be utilized will minimize environmental impacts.

## **CONCLUSION**

Based on the above discussion, it is recommended that Council authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute a license agreement with Bell Canada ("Bell") that will act to grant Bell a non-exclusive right to install, operate and maintain telecommunications infrastructure for a 10-year period within the 140 Street and 100 Avenue road allowances as illustrated on Appendices I and II attached to this report.

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Appendix I - Map of Location of Bell Works – 140 Street  
Appendix II - Map of Location of Bell Works – 100 Avenue

# APPENDIX I AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE



**LEGEND**

- Proposed Bell Manhole
- Proposed Bell Duct

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**LOCATION OF BELL WORKS  
140 STREET**

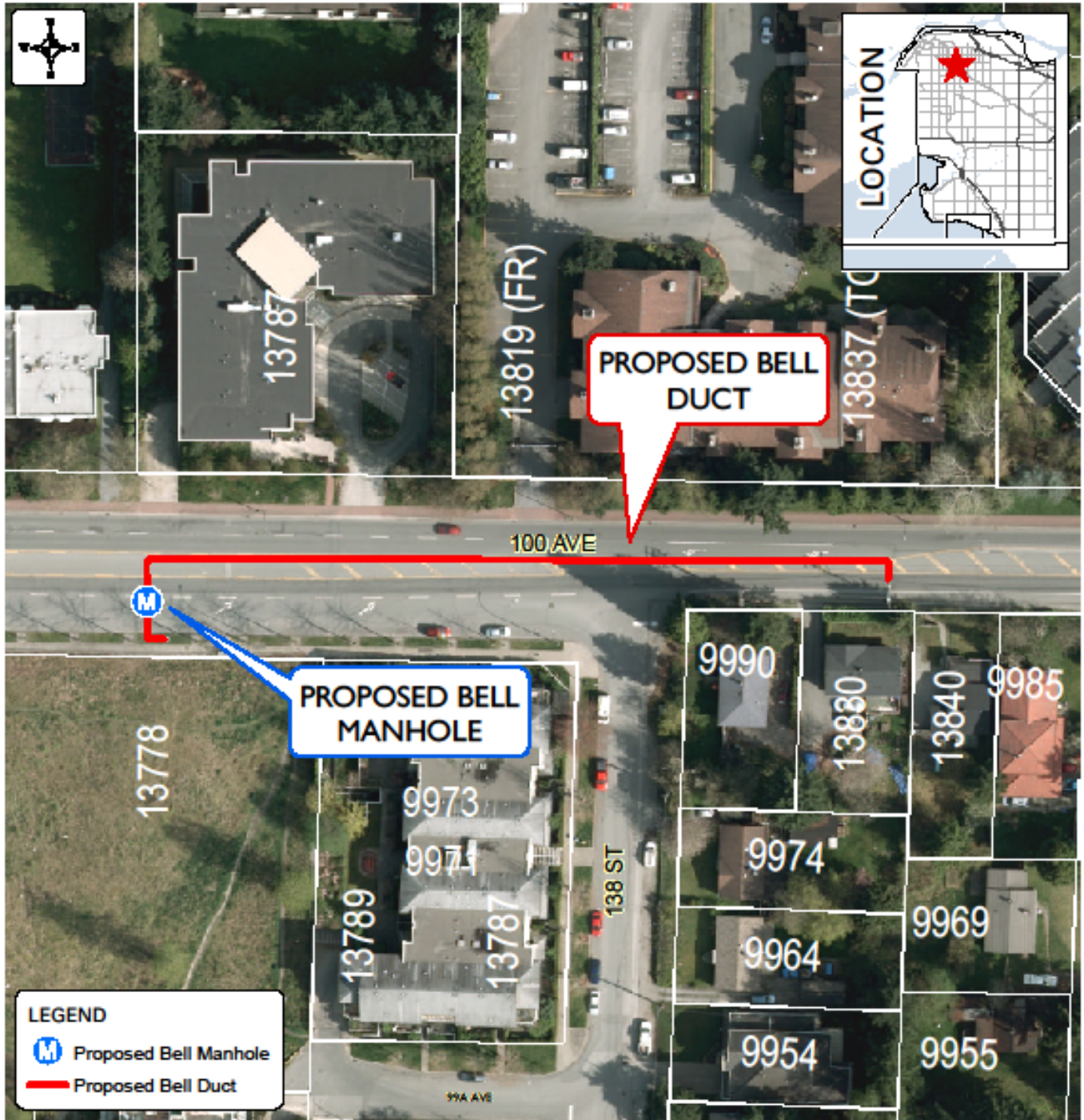
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# APPENDIX II AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE



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**LOCATION OF BELL WORKS  
100 AVENUE**

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