

NO: **R012**

COUNCIL DATE: **January 28, 2013**

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council**

DATE: **January 24, 2013**

FROM: **General Manager, Engineering**

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

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

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that Council authorize the appropriate City officials 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 148 Street, 96 Avenue and 100 Avenue road allowances as illustrated on the air photos attached to this report as Appendices I and II, respectively.

BACKGROUND

Bell has approached the City for permission to install, operate and maintain underground fibre optic cables within the 148 Street, 96 Avenue and 100 Avenue road allowances as illustrated on the air photos attached to this report as Appendices I and II, respectively. This infrastructure will allow Bell to provide telecommunication services to the RCMP E-Division building that is located in Green Timbers. Prior to such an installation Bell will 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 AzB, Allstream, AT&T, Bell Mobility and Rogers. The agreement as proposed 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 in relation to granting Bell permission to use the subject road allowances.

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

SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

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

- EC2: Economic Development Strategy and an Employment Land Strategy – The proposed infrastructure will provide expanded communications capacity for the RCMP E-Division building, which will enhance its effectiveness in providing public safety and supporting local businesses; 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 appropriate City officials 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 148 Street, 96 Avenue and 100 Avenue road allowances as illustrated on the air photos attached to this report as Appendices I and II, respectively.

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Appendix I - Air Photo of the Location of Proposed Bell Works – 148 Street and 96 Avenue
Appendix II - Air Photo of Location of Proposed Bell Works – 148 Street and 100 Avenue

APPENDIX I AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE



LEGEND

-  Proposed Bell Service Box
-  Location of Bell Duct

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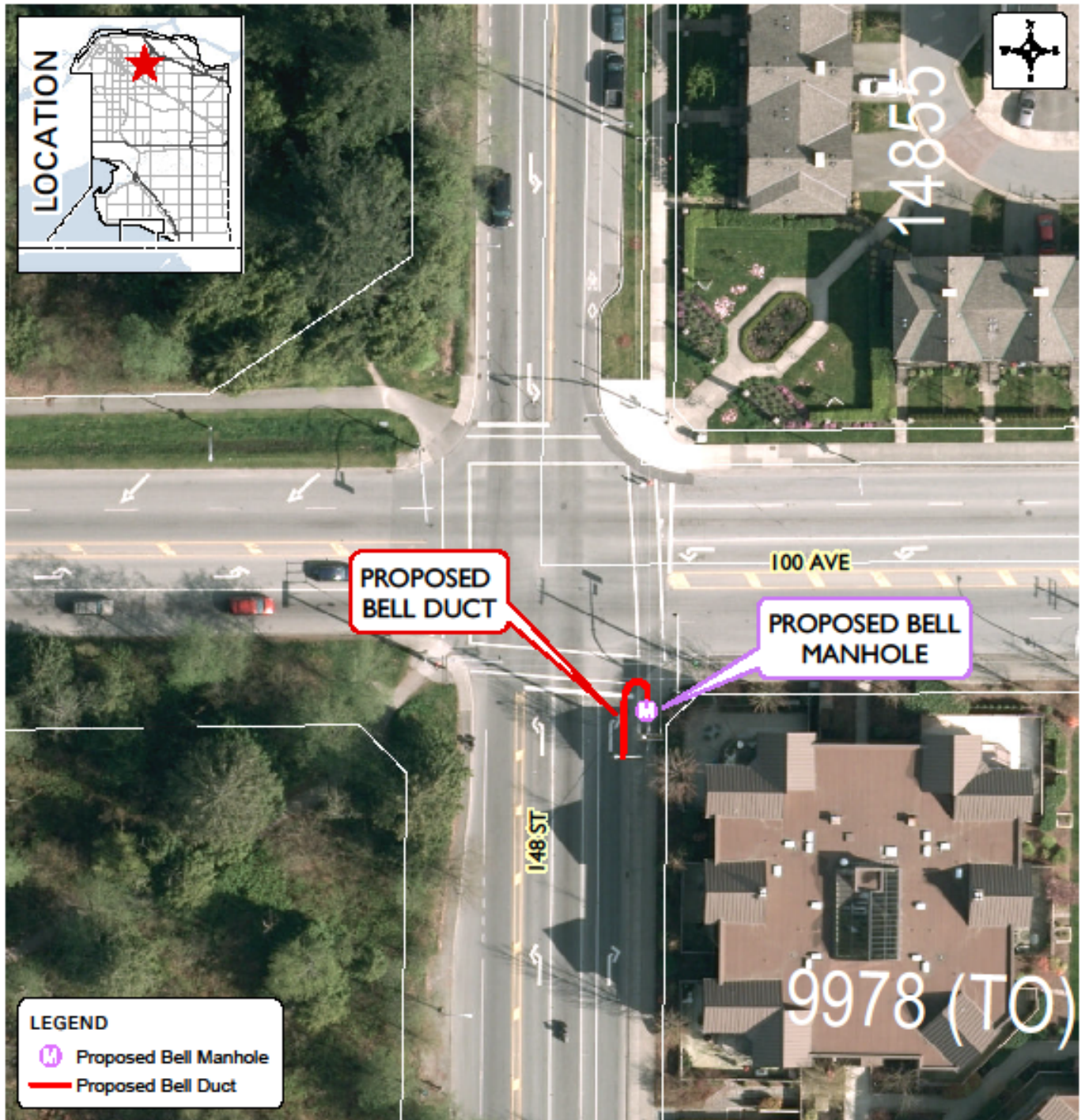
**LOCATION OF BELL WORKS
148 STREET & 96 AVENUE**

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APPENDIX II AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF SITE



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-  Proposed Bell Manhole
-  Proposed Bell Duct

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