Summary of Written and Oral Submissions

Note: This is a draft Summary of the Written and Oral Submissions received in respect of MER BLEUE URBAN EXPANSION AREA STUDY: COMMUNITY DESIGN PLAN AND OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT INCLUDING A SECONDARY PLAN (ACS2017-PIE-EDP-0023), prior to City Council's consideration of the matter on 12 July 2017.

The final Summary will be presented to Council for approval at its meeting of 23 August 2017, in the report titled 'SUMMARY OF ORAL AND WRITTEN PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS FOR ITEMS SUBJECT TO BILL 73 'EXPLANATION REQUIREMENTS' AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF 12 July 2017 (ACS2017-CCS-OCC-0012)'. Please refer to the 'Bulk Consent' section of the Council Agenda of 23 August 2017 to access this item.

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In addition to those outlined in the Consultation Details section of the report, the following outlines the written and oral submissions received between the publication of the report and prior to City Council's consideration:

- Number of delegations at Planning Committee: 0
- Number of Submissions received between 4 and 12 July 2017: 3
- Primary arguments in support:
 - Bell Canada is supportive of the policy permitting public utilities/infrastructure in all land use categories (section 3.4 of the Community Design Plan)
 - Bell Canada is supportive of the intent to coordinate utility expansions with utility providers (section 5.5. of the Community Design Plan)
 - Bell Canada is generally supportive of the policies and intent of Section 6.5 Site Design and Built Form Guidelines with respect to designing and integrating utilities elements and equipment into their setting but prefers the term "where feasible" in policies that address screening of infrastructure, rather than "where possible", as this recognizes that it is not always possible or appropriate to screen all utility structures
 - Bell Canada has developed an Urban Design Manual that provides context on the issues associated with burying and screening utilities and wishes to discuss these techniques with the City during the design stage to achieve the

City's goal of minimizing visual impacts on the public realm while balancing Bell's needs for a robust and easily maintained telecommunications system.

Primary concerns and arguments in opposition:

- Various errors and omissions in the staff report should be corrected before the item is considered by Committee and Council. These relate, but are not limited, to:
 - Revisions required to the Official Plan Amendment documents
 - Revisions required to Supporting Document numbers and titles throughout the report
 - Improper delegation of authority for the studies which are to support the Community Design Plan
 - Missing, incorrect and / or incomplete background information in the staff report

Effect of Submissions on Committee Decision:

- Debate The Committee spent three minutes on this item
- Vote: Committee CARRIED a motion to amend the report by adding in the missing Financial Implications comment and correcting supporting documentation references

Effect of Submissions on Council Decision:

Council considered all written and oral submissions in making its decision, and CARRIED this item as amended by Planning Committee.