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**Briefing Note:** For Information

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**To:** Building Investment, Finance and Audit Committee (“BIFAC”)

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**From:** Senior Director, Strategic Procurement

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**Date:** April 30, 2024

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**Re:** BIFAC Meeting of March 18, 2024 – Vendor Award: Preventive Maintenance/Demand Services for Fire/Alarm Suppression Systems and Fire Hydrant Testing, Inspection and Maintenance Services (Group 5 – Seniors West) [BIFAC:2024-27]

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**PURPOSE:**

At its March 18, 2024 meeting, the Building Investment, Finance and Audit Committee (“BIFAC”) directed staff to consult with the City of Toronto, including Fire Prevention and Long-Term Care, and comparable social housing providers in relation to their procurement strategies for fire prevention services to determine what actions TCHC might take in order to expand its vendor pool. This briefing note responds to that request.

**FOLLOW UP RESPONSE:**

TCHC’s Strategic Procurement Unit (“SPU”) has confirmed with the City of Toronto that they do not have a Fire Prevention Roster or a defined process for expanding the vendor pool currently used specifically for Fire Prevention.

The SPU division at TCHC will exercise the new vendor outreach program for future Fire Prevention competitions and will endeavor to reach out to organizations such as the Canadian Fire Safety Association, The National Fire Protection Association and The Ontario Municipal Fire Prevention Officers Association to solicit and attract a wider pool of suppliers to TCHC’s future related competitions.

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