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Subject: Response to Question re: Item 6 for Council tomorrow

Dear Mayor and Council,

I am sending the response to the question below from Cllr Dominato outside of the weekly Q&A process as it pertains item 6 on tomorrow's Council Agenda.

Q: How was Atira selected for the lease in report 6? Was there a call for applicants?

A: BC Housing selected Atira through a sole source process as operator of the women's shelter, in consultation with the City and WISH. Atira was given the co-location of this shelter with the WISH shelter upstairs and the need to find a women's serving shelter provider with the capacity to operate another facility during COVID. The only two non-profits in Vancouver who operate low-barrier shelters for women are Atira and WISH, and WISH was not interested in running the shelter.

Best,
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