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Good afternoon Mayor and Council,

Please find below an update from Sandra Singh regarding the DTES Street Market:

- As per previous staff updates, Social Policy staff were planning to issue an RFP for a new market operator this spring. The current market operator had been advised of this intention.
- Staff met with the current market operator last week to remind her of this plan and she advised staff this morning that she is providing her 30 days notice and will then cease management of the market.
- The Operator Selection RFP process is underway; it will take 6-8 weeks to conduct once the RFP is posted, followed by time needed for contract negotiations, etc.
- Staff will be seeking to find an interim operator for the market for the next 2-3 months while they conduct their operator selection process and complete the procurement process.

If you are approached by community members regarding the market and status, please consider the following messages:

- The City is aware of the importance of the market to the DTES.
- The market is a complex site with many operational considerations and staff want to ensure they take the time necessary to identify the next market manager.
- Staff are working swiftly to identify an interim solution for market operations while they select the new manager.
- Staff will keep neighbours and partners updated as to next steps.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email them to Sandra Singh and she will ensure they are answered in the weekly Q&A.

Best,  
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