

## **2nd internal communication**

You may have heard that the Council discussed a second item on us today which was an endorsement for reaching resolution to the current dispute

The motion was approved

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### **The City of Edinburgh Council – 18 November 2010**

#### **Liberal Democrat Emergency Motion**

Council notes that:

- (i) the Chief Executive wrote to the Managing Director of Bilfinger Berger Civil UK Limited on 16 November to offer a meeting with Council officers;
- (ii) the Council Leader and Chief Executive later that day met the Cabinet-Secretary for Finance and Sustainable Growth at which they discussed the possibility of mediation as a means of progressing the tram project;
- (iii) the Council Leader will take all appropriate steps to facilitate mediation and asked the Chief Executive to take forward a mediation proposal;
- (iv) the Chief Executive subsequently discussed with the Chief Executive of **tie** the potential for using mediation or any other form of dispute resolution; and
- (v) the Tram Project Board on 17 November agreed to support an independent mediation process.

Council instructs the Chief Executive to continue to make preparations with **tie** and BSC for mediation or other dispute resolution processes.

Council requests that the Chief Executive report back on progress in these matters.

**Signature of proposer**

**Councillor Jenny Dawe**

**Date**

18 November 2010