

**SUBJECT: Process for Refinements to Development Agreement for World
Exchange Plaza, 45 O'Connor Street**

File Number ACS2022-OCC-GEN-0005

Report to Planning Committee on 10 February 2022

**Submitted on January 31, 2022 by Councillor Jeff Leiper on behalf of Councillor
Catherine McKenney**

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**OBJET : Processus régissant les ajustements apportés à l'entente
d'aménagement du World Exchange Plaza, situé au 45, rue O'Connor**

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REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That Planning Committee recommend that Council authorize the General Manager, Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development to negotiate and enter into an amendment to “sunset” the historic development agreement and enable future refinements to the site to be determined through the City’s standard Site Plan revision process and future site plan agreements rather than through negotiations of amendments to the historic agreement.

RECOMMANDATION DU RAPPORT

Que le Comité de l'urbanisme recommande au Conseil d'autoriser le directeur

général de la Planification, de l'Immobilier et du Développement économique à négocier et à conclure une modification visant à mettre fin à l'entente d'aménagement initiale et à permettre l'éventuelle amélioration du site par l'intermédiaire du processus municipal normal de révision du plan d'implantation et dans le cadre de futurs accords de plan d'implantation, plutôt que par la négociation de modifications à apporter à l'entente initiale.

DISCUSSION

At the January 27, 2022 meeting of the Planning Committee, Councillor Leiper on behalf of Councillor McKenney, introduced the following Notice of Motion, for the Committee's consideration at its meeting of February 10, 2022:

WHEREAS the World Exchange Plaza located between Queen St and Albert St, was developed and has been operating since the 1990s to fulfill its role to the centre of Ottawa's Business District and to the community;

WHEREAS the Development Agreement that was entered into between the City of Ottawa and the World Exchange was as a result of an international competition for the Canlands site that required oversight by Council to insure its implementation;

WHEREAS the World Exchange Plaza implementation is now complete;

AND WHEREAS the appropriate site animation and accessibility updates and sustainability upgrades can more reasonably be dealt with under normalized site plan and development approval processes;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the General Manager, Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development be authorized to negotiate and enter into an amendment to "sunset" the historic development agreement and enable future refinements to the site to be determined through the City's standard Site Plan revision process and future site plan agreements rather than through negotiations of amendments to the historic agreement.

The above Motion, for which notice was previously given, is now before the Committee for its consideration.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Legal Services are reviewing this matter and will provide comment prior to or at the February 10, 2022 Committee meeting.

COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR(S)

This report was drafted to transmit the above Notice of Motion to Committee. The Notice of Motion was submitted on behalf of the Ward Councillor.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE(S) COMMENTS

This report is administrative in nature; no Advisory Committees were consulted in the preparation of this report.

CONSULTATION

This report is administrative in nature; no public consultation was undertaken in the preparation of this report.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

This report was drafted to transmit the above Notice of Motion to Committee. No specific Accessibility Impacts have been identified. Staff will be available at the Committee meeting if clarification is required.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

This report was drafted to transmit the above Notice of Motion to Committee. No specific Risk Management Implications have been identified. Staff will be available at the Committee meeting if clarification is required.

RURAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no rural implications associated with this report. Staff will be available at the Committee meeting if clarification is required.

TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

This report was drafted to transmit the above Notice of Motion to Committee. No specific Term of Council Priorities have been identified. Staff will be available at the Committee meeting if clarification is required.

DISPOSITION

The General Manager, Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development, will implement the recommendation in this report.