

REGION OF OTTAWA-CARLETON
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DATE 20 September 1999

TO/DEST. Co-ordinator
 Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee

FROM/EXP. Planning and Development Approvals Commissioner

SUBJECT/OBJET **LEASE TO CITY OF OTTAWA
RIVERSIDE DRIVE "DRUMMOND PIT"**

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee approve the lease of Parts 8, 9 & 10 on Plan NS187075, known as the former "Drummond Pit"(see Schedule "A" attached), located at Riverside Drive and Hunt Club, to the City of Ottawa for the purpose of developing and managing a public park, for a total consideration of \$1.00.

BACKGROUND

In 1983, Regional Council authorized the expropriation of those lands required for the Hunt Club Road Bridge and the Reconstruction of Riverside Drive. Part of the lands expropriated included the former "Drummond Pit" containing approximately 13+ acres. After construction of the Hunt Club/Riverside intersection, there was approximately 8 acres remaining in the north-west corner. The land has remained vacant since construction was completed. Borrow material from other Regional projects was placed on the site in the mid 1990's in order to raise the grade and tidy up the site.

In 1996, an amendment was made to the Region's Official Plan (Amendment #55) designating the entire property as "Waterfront Open Space". The City of Ottawa's Official Plan (Amendment #106) designates the land as "Open Space Area".

Discussions with the City of Ottawa to purchase the property for parkland have been on-going. Funding constraints ended those discussions. The City's Economic Development Branch has approached the Region with a proposal to develop and manage the site for public park purposes which had the added benefit of providing a more attractive environment for surrounding development sites. The proposal calls for a lease for \$1.00 for a 20 year period with a renewal

clause for further 20 year term if both parties agree. As a condition of the lease, the City of Ottawa will assume all remedial and capital costs required , as well as all maintenance costs associated with its intended use over the term of the Lease.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

With the proposed Lease Agreement, the Region will retain ownership to the Land, while all operating costs will be the responsibility of the City of Ottawa.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

While no formal meetings regarding the use of this Land have been held, the issue has been raised in the local community as to the future use of the Land based on the Official Plan Amendments.

CONCLUSION

Based on the limited available uses of the former “Drummond Pit”, it is recommended that the Region of Ottawa-Carleton lease the Land to the City of Ottawa for \$1.00 for a 20 year term.

*Approved by Nick Tunnacliffe, MCIP, RPP
Commissioner, PDA*

September 23, 1999

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT COMMENT

Lease revenue will be credited to operating Profit Center 112143.

*Approved by T. Fedec
on behalf of the Finance Commissioner*

SCHEDULE "A"

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF
OTTAWA - CARLETON
 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS DEPARTMENT
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