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TO/DEST. Co-ordinator

Planning and Environment Committee

FROM/EXP. Planning and Development Approvals Commissioner

SUBJECT/OBJET REVITALIZATION OF LANSDOWNE PARK

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

That the Planning and Environment Committee recommend that Council receive this report for information.

PURPOSE

The City of Ottawa has received two proposals for redevelopment of Lansdowne Park. The purpose of this report is to advise Planning and Environment Committee and Council about the process the City of Ottawa intends to follow in pursuing a public/private partnership for redeveloping Lansdowne and the Regional role in the development approval process.

BACKGROUND

On 8 June 1998, the City of Ottawa received two responses to its request for proposals for the revitalization of Lansdowne Park. Following a preliminary review to ensure that the proposals provide the information required in the request for proposals, City of Ottawa staff will undertake a more detailed technical evaluation.

After the proposals are made public on 18 June 1998, a Public Advisory Committee will hold a series of public meetings scheduled for later in June to discuss both proposals. The Committee will recommend one proposal. Its recommendation, along with the technical evaluation by City of Ottawa staff, will lead to selection of a preferred proposal by City of Ottawa Council in the summer, 1998. The preferred proposal will then be subject to additional public consultation. In the fall, City of Ottawa Council is to receive a report on the consultation and provide direction to staff on negotiations with the successful proponent. Once an agreement has been negotiated, the proponent is to apply for the necessary development approvals.

Redevelopment of Lansdowne will likely require an amendment to the City of Ottawa Official Plan, site plan approval and a zoning by-law amendment. These applications will be pursued under the provisions of the *Planning Act* and will entail additional public consultation. Depending on the nature of the proposed development, subdivision approval may also be required to create public roads and parcels of land for sale. The Region is the approval authority for plans of subdivision and local official plan amendments. It also reviews site plans with respect to Regional road access and servicing requirements.

An amendment to the Regional Official Plan to remove the Major Community Facility designation may be required if the public facilities on the site are substantially reduced. A decision on the need for such an amendment can be made once the details of the selected proposal are finalized. If the Central Canada Exhibition relocates, a Major Community Facility designation would be required for the new site through an amendment to the Regional Official Plan.

CONSULTATION

The City of Ottawa is conducting a consultation program.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This process has no financial implications to the Region.

Approved by N. Tunnacliffe, MCIP, RPP

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