

Item No. 1(b)

**MINUTES OF A SPECIALL MEETING
THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF EXHIBITION PLACE
Room 206A – Allstream Centre - Exhibition Place
Friday, March 7, 2014 – 11:00 a.m.**

The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place met in Room 206A at Allstream Centre - Exhibition Place on Friday, March 7, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Mark Grimes, Chair
Wayne Copeland, Connie Dejak, Michael Layton, Hugh Mansfield, Gord Perks, Sean Webster

APOLOGIES: Gloria Lindsay Luby, Giorgio Mammoliti

STAFF: Dianne Young, Chief Executive Officer
Fatima Scagnol, Corporate Secretary
Alison Fowles/Solicitor, City Legal
Hardat Persaud, Chief Financial Officer
Arlene Campbell, General Manager/Sales & Events Management
Mark Goss, General Manager/Operations
Jeff Gay, Director/Events Management
Frank Martindale, Director/Operations
Gabe Mullan, Director/Parking & Security Services
Laura Purdy, Director/Sales & Marketing
Danny Chui, Manager/Capital Works
Peter Church, General Manager/BMO Field
Arlene Jang, IT Specialist

GUESTS: Eric Arm, Senior Financial Analyst, Special Projects/City of Toronto
Ward Earle, Director/Municipal Law Group, City of Toronto
Joe Farag Director/Corporate Finance Division, City of Toronto
Gregg Lintern, Director/Community Planning/Toronto & East York
Randy McLean, Film Commissioner/Toronto Economic Development & Culture

PRESENTORS: Tim Leiweke, President & CEO/MLSE
Bob Hunter, Executive VP/Venues & Entertainment/MLSE
Peter Miller, Chief Business Development Officer/MLSE

SPEAKERS: Sandra Banks, CEO/Royal Agricultural Winter Fair
Patti Stewart, Vice-President/Informa Canada

Mark Grimes presided and Fatima Scagnol acted as Secretary to the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 11:05 a.m.

Before proceeding with the regular business of the meeting, the Chair requested members to indicate the report on the public agenda wherein they have an interest, together with the nature of the interest. No interests were declared.

COMMUNICATIONS

(a) TOM BAUGH, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MARKETPLACE EVENTS

Upon the question of the adoption of a Communication (a) dated March 6, 2014 from Mr. Tom Baugh with respect to the concerns Marketplace Events regarding the Improvements to BMO Field at Exhibition Place, it was **RECEIVED**.

(a) PATTI STEWART, VICE-PRESIDENT/INFORMA CANADA

Upon the question of the adoption of a Communication (b) dated March 6, 2014 from Ms. Patti Stewart with respect to the concerns Informa Canada regarding the Improvements to BMO Field at Exhibition Place, it was **RECEIVED**.

1. IMPROVEMENTS TO BMO FIELD AT EXHIBITION PLACE

The Chair welcomed and introduced Mr. Tim Leiweke, President & CEO of Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment who addressed the Board with respect to the proposed improvements to BMO Field and the benefits it will provide to Exhibition Place, the City of Toronto, and the residents of Toronto.

The Chair welcomed and introduced Mr. Bob Hunter, Executive Vice-President of Venues & Entertainment for Maple Leaf Sports & Entertainment who provided a power-point presentation with respect to the proposed improvements to BMO Field, which presentation is appended to the official minutes of this meeting.

Ms. Patti Stewart, Vice-President of Informa Canada provided an oral presentation with respect to the proposed improvements of BMO Field which is one that could be great for the City, great for the people of Toronto, great for the Exhibition Place, and great for the soccer league, however, what needs to accompany the plan and design is the concerns outlined in her communication to the Board with respect to parking, traffic, scheduling, wayfinding, and transit.

Ms. Sandra Banks, Chief Executive Officer of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair provided an oral presentation with respect to the proposed improvements of BMO Field and echoed the comments made by Ms. Patti Stewart and the communication submitted by Mr. Tom Baugh, wherein the current concerns of parking, traffic, scheduling, wayfinding, and public transit need to be addressed.

The Board entered into a question/answer session wherein the following was noted.

On a question from Mark Grimes with respect to the proposed improvements still being a concept, Bob Hunter responded that the plan is still in the concept stage and once approved by City Council the proposed plan will need to be reviewed in detail and approved by City Planning.

On a question from Mark Grimes with respect to any disruption to the PanAm Games, Tim Leiweke responded that his team has been meeting with PanAm representatives and confirmed that no construction will take place during the games. Bob Hunter noted that the

first phase of construction – 8 months – would take place ahead of PanAm; and the second phase of construction – 8 months – would take place following PanAm.

On a question from Mark Grimes with respect to MLSE looking at blackout dates and rescheduling of games during major Exhibition Place events, Tim Leiweke responded that MLSE will meet with Mr. Baugh, Ms. Stewart and Ms. Banks to discuss strategies and attempt to find a way not have to have any games played during congested periods. Mr. Leiweke added that he has met with the three City Councillors who are members of the Board who have all provided suggestions with respect to enticing the public to take transit – i.e. a reduction in a game ticket if one takes public transit.

On a question from Michael Layton with respect to the construction causing existing trees being moved or removed, Gregg Lintern, Director/Community Planning/Toronto & East York responded that landscaping will be part of the Site Plan Approval process.

Sean Webster thanked MLSE representatives for their presentation and requested that the Chief Executive Officer provide the Board with updates on the proposed improvements as they progress. Dianne Young noted that updates will be provided to the Board as well as a link on the Exhibition Place website for the public to view.

RESOLUTION RE CLOSED SESSION

On motion duly made by Wayne Copeland, seconded and **CARRIED**, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board go into Closed Session for the purposes of dealing with items of a proprietary, personnel and of a contractual nature.

The Board members Mark Grimes/Chair, Wayne Copeland, Connie Dejak, Michael Layton, Hugh Mansfield, Gord Perks and Sean Webster reconvened in public session at 12:50 p.m. and concurred with the following proposal.

On motion duly made by Mark Grimes, seconded by Connie Dejak, and unanimously **CARRIED**, it was **RESOLVED** that Report No. 1 dated March 6, 2014, and the Confidential Attachment 1 to subject report, and the Proposed Arrangements, which were distributed at the meeting, from the Chief Executive Officer, be **APPROVED**, thereby authorizing the recommendations outlined in subject report with respect to Improvements to BMO Field at Exhibition Place; and **FURTHER** that, the motion moved by Michael Layton during the closed session with respect to a direction to Exhibition Place staff for confidential instructions and a request to City of Toronto staff, be **APPROVED**.

2. **RESOLUTION RE ABSENTEEISM**

On motion duly made by Gord Perks, seconded and **CARRIED**, it was **RESOLVED** that Gloria Lindsay Luby and Giorgio Mammoliti having notified the Corporate Secretary of their unavailability to attend this meeting of the Board, be **EXCUSED**.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:55 p.m.

(Copies of the communications, reports and other documents referred to in the minutes of this meeting have been distributed to the members and copies thereof inserted as schedules to the official minutes of the proceedings of this meeting of the Board.)

Corporate Secretary

Chair

VERIFIED at a meeting of the Board of Governors of Exhibition Place held on the ____ day of _____, 2014.

Chair