Authorization to Amend Purchase Order for O.P. McCarthy & Associates to provide professional project management services for the construction of the Fort York Visitor Centre - by Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Adam Vaughan

* Notice of this Motion has been given.
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Executive Committee. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral.

Recommendations
Councillor Mike Layton, seconded by Councillor Adam Vaughan, recommends that:

1. City Council increase the value of Purchase Order 6028684 for O.P. McCarthy & Associates by $79,786.68 for a new total of $582,151.56, fully funded from capital account CAC083-01 (Fort York Visitor Centre 2012).

2. City Council authorize the City Solicitor to amend the agreement with O.P. McCarthy & Associates to provide for the increased funding and project management services.

Summary
Purchase Order 6028684 for the provision of professional project management services for the development and construction of the Visitor Centre at Fort York National Historic Site was issued to O.P. McCarthy & Associates in April of 2009.

The Visitor Centre, located outside Fort York's west gates, has a construction budget of $18.0 million and is scheduled to open in the Fall of 2014. The 25,000+ square foot facility, will satisfy a number of needs including: a significant point of entry for Fort York, reception and retail sales, a theatre and exhibits to orient visitors to the site, and permanent space for curatorial offices and administrative functions.

The construction of this building was approved by City Council on August 25, 26 and 27, 2010 (EX46.61).

The project schedule has been delayed for various reasons: re-design of the building following an unsuccessful first tender for construction, timelines for a competitive RFP for the museum exhibits, delays in provision of site services, and extreme weather conditions. Building
completion timelines have therefore been extended, necessitating continuous project management services from O.P. McCarthy & Associates beyond the original project schedule.

The current value of Purchase Order 6028684 is $502,364.88. O.P. McCarthy & Associates has provided the City with a proposal that identifies the additional fees to provide uninterrupted project management services until the end of the project. The value of this work is $79,786.68. The legal agreement between the City and O.P. McCarthy for management services requires authorization by City Council for an increase in professional fees.

It is urgent that this Purchase Order be amended to increase professional fees to ensure provision of uninterrupted project management services until the completion of this project.

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