

# Member Motion

## City Council

### Motion Without Notice

MM52.28	ACTION			Ward:19
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### Revised Project Phasing for Renovation and Expansion of BMO Field - by Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Deputy Mayor Norman Kelly

*\* This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*

*\* This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral. This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

### Recommendations

Councillor Mark Grimes, seconded by Deputy Mayor Norman Kelly, recommends that:

1. City Council adopt the following recommendation in the attached report (June 6, 2014) from the City Manager:
  - "1. City Council authorize staff to negotiate a project agreement, funding contribution agreement, Toronto Argonaut facility use agreement and amendments to the BMO Field Project Agreement, Management Agreement, Toronto FC Team License and Facility User Agreements substantially on the terms and conditions set out in the amended and restated Letter of Intent ("LOI") attached in Appendix 1 to this report and such other terms and conditions satisfactory to the Deputy City Manager and Chief Financial Officer, the General Manager and CEO of Exhibition Place in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor."

### Summary

Following Council's approval of the original Letter of Intent (LOI) for the renovation and expansion of BMO Field at its meeting in April, it has become clear that, because of the upcoming Provincial election, and other factors, the Provincial and Federal governments are currently unable to provide the requested funding commitments to this project.

Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment Ltd. has proposed revised project phasing that would allow the first and second phases of the project to proceed while negotiations continue with the Federal and Provincial governments regarding their potential contributions towards the third phase of the project, which makes the facility suitable for Canadian Football League events. As the revised phasing plan will hold open the possibility of creating a new home facility for the Toronto Argonauts at BMO Field, and there will be no negative financial impact on the City resulting from the proposed changes in phasing, the City Manager has recommended in the attached staff report that Council approve an amended LOI that incorporates these changes.

This Motion is urgent as MLSE has advised that a contract must be entered into with a general contractor and the structural steel ordered for the project by mid-June if the first phase of construction is to be completed in time to ensure the availability of the stadium for the Pan Am Games in 2015.

(Submitted to City Council on June 10 and 11, 2014 as MM52.28)

### **Background Information (City Council)**

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(June 6, 2014) Report from the City Manager on Revised Project Phasing for Renovation and Expansion of BMO Field

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2014/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-70432.pdf>

Attachment 1 - Draft Amended and Restated Letter of Intent from Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment Ltd.

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