

Submission from the President and Chief Executive Officer, TO LiveCT8.2.1



Tracking Status

- This item was considered by [Executive Committee](#) on January 23, 2020 and was adopted with amendments. It will be considered by City Council on January 29, 2020.

Executive Committee consideration on January 23, 2020

EX12.6

ACTION

Amended

Ward: All

St. Lawrence Centre Redevelopment

Committee Recommendations

Caution: This is a preliminary decision. This decision should not be considered final until the meeting is complete and the City Clerk has confirmed the decisions for this meeting.

The Executive Committee recommends that:

1. City Council endorse the replacement of the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts, located at 27 Front Street East with a new re-imagined centre as a state-of-the-art cultural and civic hub for the City's creative communities and the community at large, in particular not-for-profit performing arts organizations, centred on its historic role as a landmark centre for economic and cultural activities, subject to satisfactory programmatic, community building, business and funding plans being developed.
2. City Council direct the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services in consultation with the President and Chief Executive Officer, TO Live and the Chief Executive Officer, CreateTO, to engage in a facilitated, open consultation process with key stakeholders in the cultural community, the local St. Lawrence Market neighbourhood and implicated City divisions and agencies to develop a building program which reimagines the St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts as a new cultural and civic hub.
3. City Council direct the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services in consultation with the President and Chief Executive Officer, TO Live and the Chief Executive Officer, CreateTO to prepare a Class D cost estimate, based on the building program which emerges from the engagement set out in Recommendation 2, such analysis to include the consideration of alternatives for legacy tenants should they not be accommodated in a new St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts
4. City Council direct the Deputy City Manager, Corporate Services in consultation with the President and Chief Executive Officer, TO Live and the Chief Executive Officer, CreateTO to develop a business model that may consider opportunities for potential existing and new partners in a new St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts.

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6. City Council direct the Deputy City Manager, in consultation with the President and Chief Executive Officer, TO Live and the Chief Executive Officer, CreateTO report to the Board of Directors of TO Live and the Board of Directors of CreateTO in the third quarter of 2020, with the findings of Recommendations 1-5 above and to include a project plan and schedule to deliver a new St. Lawrence Centre for the Arts, for subsequent consideration and approval by City Council as soon as possible thereafter.

Origin

(December 17, 2019) Letter from City Council

Summary

At its meeting of December 17 and 18, 2019, City Council referred Item EX11.25 back to the Executive Committee for further consideration at its January 23, 2020 meeting. Speaker Nunziata also ruled that the Confidential Attachment on this Item was a public document.

Background Information

(December 17, 2019) Letter from City Council on St. Lawrence Centre Redevelopment

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2020/ex/bgrd/backgroundfile-141435.pdf>)

(November 19, 2019) Letter from the Board of Directors of TO Live on St. Lawrence Centre Redevelopment - Options Review

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2020/ex/bgrd/backgroundfile-141438.pdf>)

(November 7, 2019) Report from the President and Chief Executive Officer, TO Live on St. Lawrence Centre Redevelopment - Options Review

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2020/ex/bgrd/backgroundfile-141439.pdf>)

Confidential Attachment 1 made public at City Council on December 17, 2019

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2020/ex/bgrd/backgroundfile-141440.pdf>)

Communications

(January 14, 2020) Letter from Dorothea (Tedde) Mavor Moore, President DRAMAC (EX.Main.EX12.6.1)

Motions

1 - Motion to Amend Item moved by Councillor Gary Crawford (Carried)

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