



REPORT FOR ACTION

Update on Environmental Initiatives at TO Live

Date: November 10, 2021

To: Environmental, Social and Governance Committee

From: President and Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide the Board with an update on environmental initiatives at TO Live.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The President and Chief Executive Officer recommends that the Board of Directors of TO Live receive this report for information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

None at this time.

DECISION HISTORY

At its June 18, 2021 meeting, the Board of Directors of TO Live received information on past, current and future environmental initiatives at TO Live venues.

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2021.CT25.4>

COMMENTS

TO Live is moving towards a holistic approach to its environmental initiatives, which would see green strategies as part of a larger plan instead of stand-alone projects. This method will see two audits occurring; the first will look at TO Live's operational activities, and the second will look at TO Live's current capital plan and how best to implement its goals within the context of the City of Toronto's carbon reduction targets.

The operational audit will first look at TO Live's policies to determine if modifications should be considered to ensure environmental sustainability is regarded from the policy level up. The audit will also look at the various activities, programming and practices TO Live undertakes to determine where environmental opportunities exist.

The second audit will look at TO Live's 10-year capital plan and beyond to determine where additions, modifications or new priorities can be introduced to help TO Live meet the City of Toronto's carbon reduction targets. The City's primary goal is that greenhouse gas emissions from City-owned buildings will be reduced by 60 percent from 2008 levels; by 2040, City-owned buildings will reach net zero greenhouse gas emissions.

To aid in providing additional context for the audit and consideration for new Greenhouse Gas (GHG) reducing projects, TO Live had the opportunity to participate in Enbridge's Savings by Design (SBD) program, administered by Sustainable Buildings Canada. This program featured an integrated design process workshop to determine projects that would help reduce Meridian Hall operations' carbon footprint. Real-time energy modelling was performed during the workshop to determine potential energy savings and GHG reductions for a series of moderate to extensive capital projects. A report from the workshop is attached (see Attachment 1).

These audits will provide the foundation to better inform future operating and capital budgets. Preliminary estimates put the cost of these two audits to be between \$90,000-\$150,000, depending on the final scope of work.

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 - Workshop Summary