

## **GOVERNANCE AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE**

# **Downtown Event and Entertainment District – Private Partner Procurement Approach**

#### Recommendation of the Committee

That the procurement approach for a private partner for operations management of one or both of the anchor facilities for the Downtown Event and Entertainment District, as outlined in the January 17, 2024 report of the Transportation and Construction Division, be approved.

### **History**

The Governance and Priorities Committee, at its meeting held on January 17, 2024, considered a report of the Transportation and Construction Division regarding the above.

Following consideration of the report and in addition to the recommendation put forward above, your Committee further resolved that the administration report that is forwarded to City Council include potential wording for inclusion of a request for the bidder's approach to creating good jobs for those working within the facility including wage livability considerations in the plan for community benefit outcome element list.

Your Administration has provided the following statement in relation to resolution noted in the previous paragraph:

That the Administration add the following to the submission requirements within the community benefit outcomes subsection of the Partnership Approach section of the Request for Proposal:

"Strategy for creating and sustaining good jobs and wages (e.g., benefits, policies to support employee well-being, career development and advancement strategies, strategies to ensure wages are competitive with cost of living)."

#### Attachment

January 17, 2024 report of the Transportation and Construction Division