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COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2017 Oct 23

FROM: DIRECTOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND
COMMUNITY SERVICES

SUBJECT: THE BUILDING OWNER AND MANAGERS ASSOCIATION (BOMA)
GOLD AWARD TO DEER LAKE CENTRE

PURPOSE: To advise Council of the BOMA BEST Gold Certification awarded to Deer Lake
I and Deer Lake II

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **THAT** Council receive this report for information purposes.

REPORT

1.0 INTRODUCTION:

Property Administration staff are extremely pleased to advise Council that both Deer Lake I and Deer Lake II have recently been awarded the Building Owners and Managers Association BEST Gold Certification.

2.0 BACKGROUND:

The Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) of Canada was established in 1944 and today the organization consists of over 3100 industry members including building owners, managers, developers, leasing professionals, corporate facility managers and asset managers. Collectively the membership manages over 2.1 billion square feet of commercial space.

BOMA Canada is an affiliated member of BOMA International and since 2001 BOMA International has been committed to promoting environmental sustainability and energy conservation in commercial real estate.

Since its launch in 2005, BOMA BEST (Building Environmental Standards) has become Canada's largest environmental assessment and certification program for existing buildings. It is a unique, voluntary program designed by industry to provide owners and managers with a consistent framework for assessing the environmental performance and management of existing buildings of all sizes. The program, conducted by a third party auditor, judges a building's performance in a variety of categories including: energy use, water use, waste reduction,

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emissions and effluents, the indoor environment (air quality) and environmental management systems. Originally the program had four levels of certification and a building could qualify for certification at a Level One (the lowest), Level Two, Level Three or Level Four (the highest) award.

Three years ago Deer Lake Centre achieved Level 3. At that time only 62 office buildings in Burnaby received any level of BOMA BEST recognition. Of these, only five buildings including Deer Lake I & II, received Level 3 Certification and only one building received the Level 4 Certification.

3.0 CURRENT SITUATION:

BOMA has revised and replaced the former levels of certification. There are now five levels of certification, Certified, Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum. Gold is awarded to buildings that have met the BEST Practices and have achieved a rating of between 80 and 89%.

At the Gold Certification level, Deer Lake Centre is in the company of such prestigious properties as the Metrotower Office Complex I and II and Metropolis at Metrotown which are also Gold certified.

Over the past few years, Council has supported funding for a number of capital projects at Deer Lake I and II which has allowed the replacement of end of life equipment with modern energy efficient systems. These upgrades have included replacement of heat pumps, boilers, cooling towers, lighting and washroom fixtures. All of these actions have increased the energy efficiency of the buildings which in turn has reduced the operating costs and emissions.

Colliers International, our third party property management firm for the complex was instrumental in coordinating both the capital upgrade work and our BOMA BEST application/submission and recognition is due to their staff for their commitment in the operation of these facilities. Two Certificates have been received and will be framed and hung in the lobbies of the respective buildings along with the Awards the Buildings achieved in 2014.

4.0 CONCLUSION:

It is recommended that Council receive this report for information purposes.


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