

Item	12
Manager's Report No.	18
Council Meeting	02/06/24

2002 JUNE 20

TO: CITY MANAGER
FROM: DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURAL SERVICES
SUBJECT: SHADBOLT CENTRE ELECTRONIC SIGN

PURPOSE: To request Council to bring down a Capital Reserves Expenditure bylaw for the construction of an electronic sign for the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. THAT a Capital Reserves Expenditure bylaw in the amount of \$129,800 (including 7% GST) be brought down for the construction of an electronic sign for the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts.

REPORT

At its meeting of 2002 June 19, the Parks, Recreation and Culture Commission received the above noted report and adopted the two recommendations contained therein.



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DIRECTOR PARKS, RECREATION
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cc: Director Finance
Director Planning
Purchasing Agent
City Solicitor

SUBJECT: SHADBOLT CENTRE ELECTRONIC SIGN

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT approval be given for the expenditure of \$124,900 (including net GST rebate) from the 2002 Capital Budget for the construction of an electronic sign for the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts.
2. THAT Council be requested to bring down a Capital Reserves Expenditure bylaw in the amount of \$129,800 (including 7% GST) for the construction of an electronic sign for the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts.

REPORT

1.0 BACKGROUND

At the 2002 February 06 meeting the Commission approved the conceptual design of the electronic sign for the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts, and gave staff authority to proceed to the tender stage. The approval followed an amendment to the sign bylaw by Council that permitted the use of electronic signs at significant City sites, including the Arts Precinct.

The sign will be located on the north lawn of Mather House (Attachment #1) and will consist of an array of five interior illuminated aluminum cabinets including an electronic message centre, an identification cabinet, two cabinets with changeable decorative panels, and a cabinet containing a continuous blue neon light (Attachment #2). The cabinet array will rest on a granite clad concrete base and will have an irrigated perimeter planting bed. The City's existing fibre optic communications system will be extended to the site to provide a link between the electronic message centre and the control computer unit to be located in the Shadbolt Centre box office. In addition, a power source connection has been identified and will be extended to the site. This report outlines the tender process and defines the construction schedule.

The benefits of constructing an electronic message centre in a prominent location in the Arts Precinct include: reinforcement of public awareness and identification of the Centre and Deer Lake Park; the promotion of special events and attractions; and to more effectively advertize regularly scheduled programs and functions. A comprehensive Sign Plan for the new Shadbolt Centre sign was approved by the Planning Department in 2002 May. The plywood sign erected on the north lawn of Mathers House currently performs this function inadequately and does not conform to the sign bylaw.

2.0 SIGN CONTRACT & ASSOCIATED WORKS

Bids were received for the sign on 2002 June 04 and subsequently evaluated and a recommendation was forwarded to the Purchasing Agent that the contract be awarded to the Sicon Group for the value of \$83,935.28 (plus tax). The associated cost of extending the underground fibre optic communications link and electrical supply to the site and associated landscape works is estimated to be approximately \$37,330 for a total project cost of approximately \$121,260 before tax.

3.0 FINANCING

Sufficient Capital Reserves are available and the Commission has included \$130,000 under the Major Parks component of the 2002-2006 Annual Capital Program for this work. Upon Commission approval, Council will be requested to bring down a Capital Expenditure bylaw in the amount of \$129,800 (including 7% GST) to finance this project.

When this report is forwarded to Council, a bylaw pertaining to this project will appear elsewhere on the Council agenda.

4.0 NEXT STEPS

Subject to Council approval of the above bylaw, the work is scheduled to start on 2002 July 08 with completion of the sign anticipated by 2002 September 30.

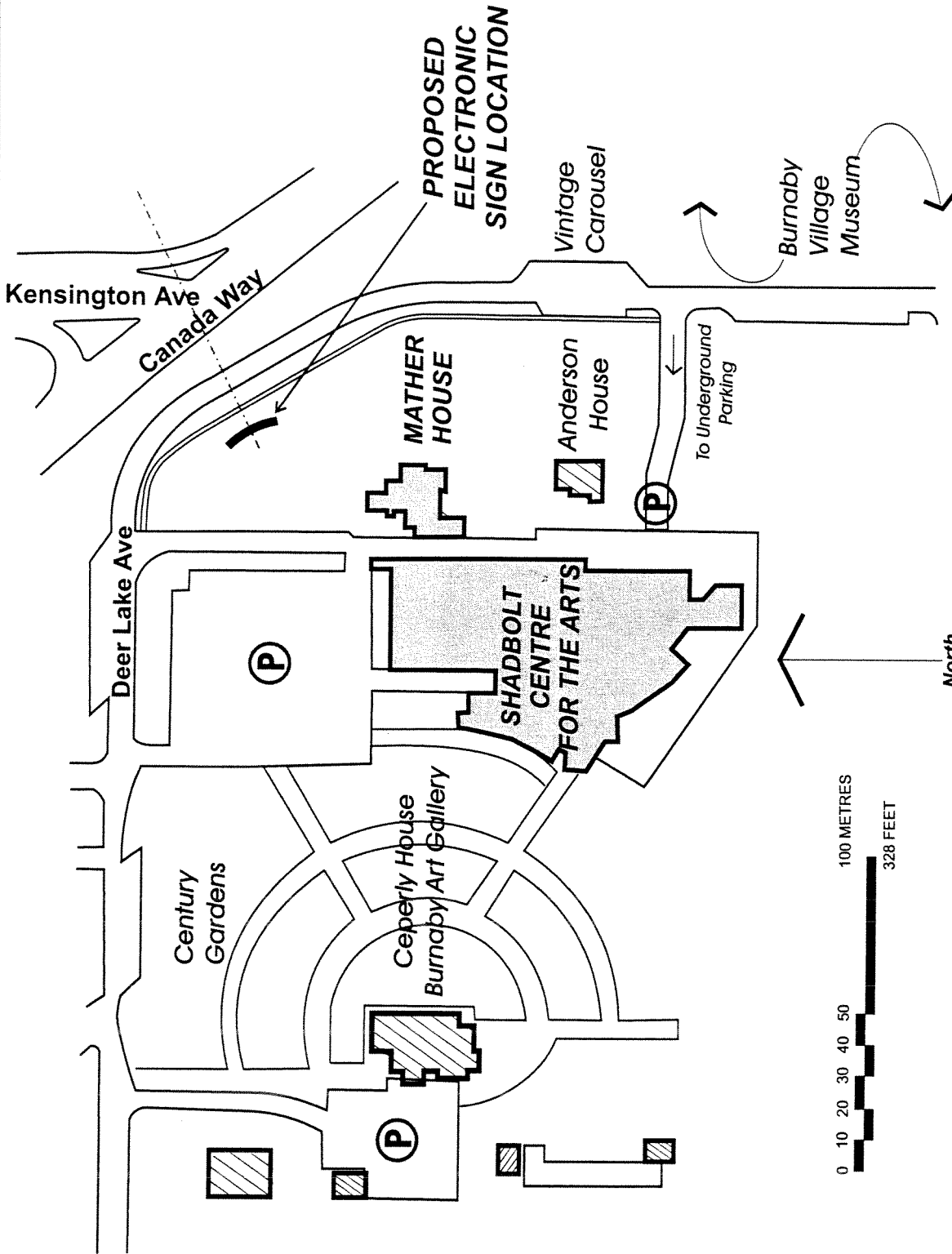
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Attachments (2)

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ATTACHMENT #1

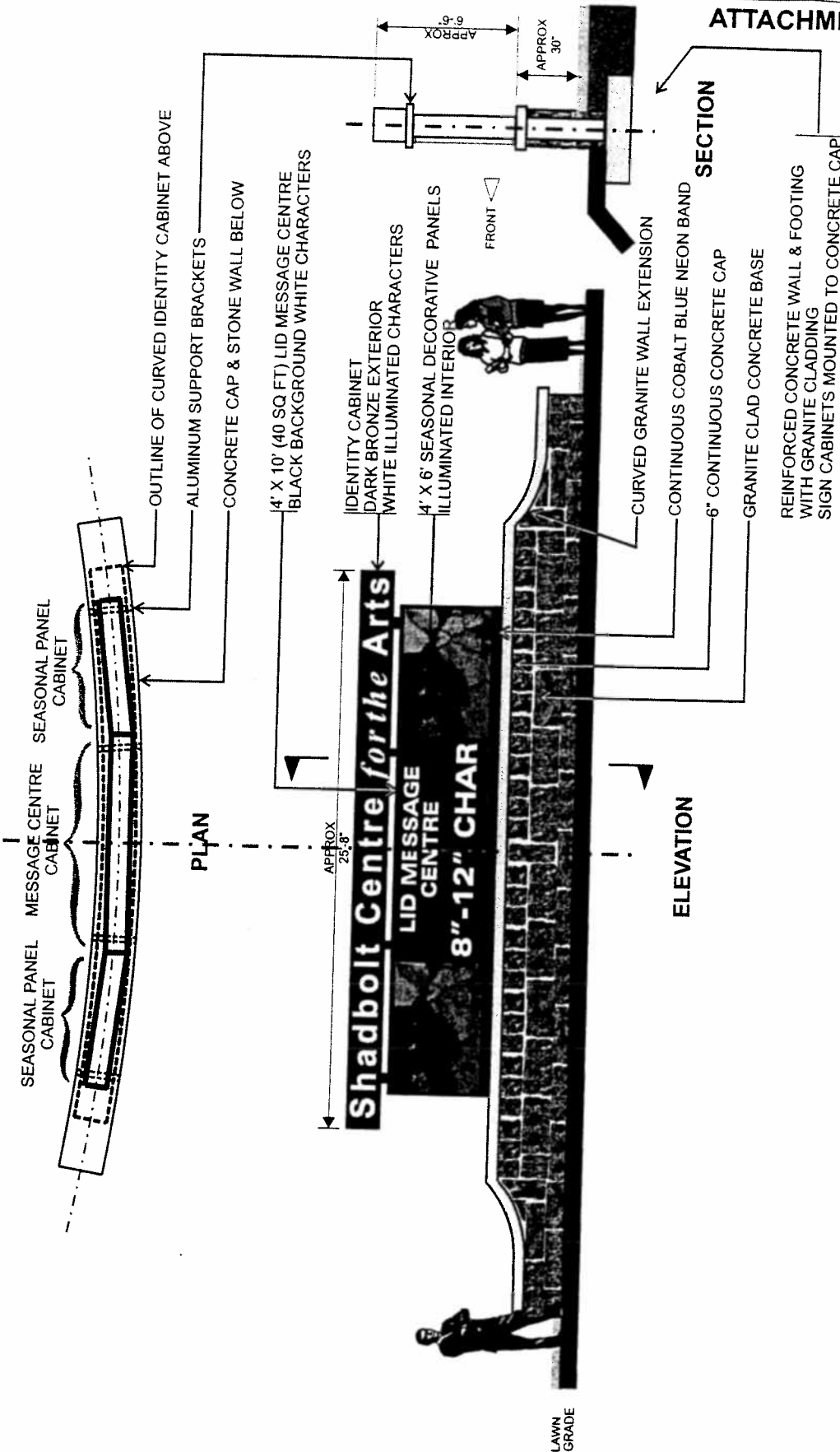


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**Arts Precinct
Proposed Electronic Sign Location**





ATTACHMENT #2

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**Arts Centre
 Proposed Electronic Sign Concept**



