Parking Evaluation Step One: Screening Onsite Versus Offsite Parking Alternatives

Category	Onsite Parking Facility	Offsite Parking Facility
Natural Environment	 Less Preferred Construction related impacts minimized by siting facility on existing asphalt surface parking area at Ontario Place. 	Preferred Uses existing facilities with minimal to no construction related impacts.
Preference	Less Preferred	Preferred
Social Environment	Preferred Closeness and easy access to facilities and activities at Ontario Place.	 Less Preferred Requires users to travel to site from parking (limited option of only Exhibition Place for parking).
	Preferred Provides users with parking options on-site.	Can be designed to provide more direct pedestrian access to Ontario Place.
	Preferred Impacts traffic on Lake Shore Boulevard since that is the only road providing access to the parking area.	 Less Preferred Impacts traffic on Lake Shore Boulevard from different entrances to Exhibition Place.
Preference	Preferred	Less Preferred
Cultural Environment	 Less Preferred Depending on type of parking structure potential to restrict or partially restrict heritage views at Ontario Place. 	Preferred No impact on heritage views.
Preference	Less Preferred	Preferred
Technical Environment	Less PreferredChallenging to work with waterfront location.	Preferred No site constraints or impacts on future development options at Ontario Place.
	Less PreferredPotential to impact future development at Ontario Place.	 Preferred Protects Mainland for development options and can meet changing future parking trends.
	 Less Preferred Phasing needed to permit use of surface parking during construction of parking facility. 	Preferred Can continue to use existing surface parking in the short term at Ontario Place.
Preference	Less Preferred	Preferred
Economic Environment	High construction costs to address constrained space, water table and soil quality and mitigation of impacts on Islands and Lake Shore Boulevard.	Preferred ■ Low construction cost.

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	Preferred Site owned by the Province with user parking revenues paid to the Province.	 Less Preferred Requires coordination with City of Toronto (including Exhibition Place master plan).
		Less Preferred Loss of user parking revenues to City of Toronto.
Preference	Preferred	Less Preferred
OVERALL PREFERENCE	Preferred Provides easy access to Ontario Place and parking options on-site and will bring user parking revenues to the Province.	Less Preferred

Green shading represents preferred.

Yellow shading represents less preferred.