Parking Evaluation Step Two: Comparison of Onsite Parking Structures

Category	Aboveground Structure	Belowground Structure	Surface Parking Lots	Combination of Surface Parking and Belowground
Natural Environment	 Preferred Construction related impacts to existing asphalt parking area. 	 Preferred Construction related impacts to existing asphalt parking area. 	 Preferred Impacts from construction of parking improvements limited to existing asphalt parking areas. 	 Preferred Construction related impacts to existing asphalt parking areas.
	 Least Preferred No opportunity for revegetation. Opportunity to redirect run-off away from Lake Ontario. 	 Preferred Provides opportunity for revegetation of Mainland by removing existing asphalt parking lots on east and west sides of Mainland and redirect run-off away from Lake Ontario. 	 Less Preferred Limited opportunity to naturalize existing parking lots. Impacts lagoons and water quality through run-off to Lake Ontario. 	 Preferred Provides opportunity for revegetation of large surface area on west side of site and potential to naturalize surface parking lot on east side and redirect run-off way from Lake Ontario.
Preference	Least Preferred	Preferred Provides opportunity to revegetate existing asphalt parking lots and redirect run-off.	Less Preferred	Preferred Provides opportunity to revegetate asphalt parking areas and redirect run-off.
Social Environment	 Potential traffic impacts on Lake Shore Boulevard West with increased number of parking spaces on west side of Mainland zone. 	 Less Preferred Potential traffic impacts on Lake Shore Boulevard West with increased number of parking spaces on west side of Mainland zone. 	 Least Preferred Traffic impacts due to access/egress issues to existing parking lots. 	 Preferred Potential traffic impacts on Lake Shore Boulevard West with increased number of parking spaces divided between east and west entrances.
	 Preferred Moderate user parking fees 	 Less Preferred High user parking fees. 	 Least Preferred Highest user parking fees due to limited spaces available. 	 Less Preferred High user parking fees (split between below ground and surface parking).

Note: More than 2 alternatives are being evaluated so another preference of "least preferred" was added.

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Preference	Preferred Traffic impacts but lower parking fees for users.	Less Preferred	Least preferred	Less Preferred
Cultural Environment	 Least Preferred Blocks views to heritage structures (pods and Cinesphere) and to Lake Ontario. 	 Preferred No impact to views to heritage structures or Lake Ontario 	 Preferred No impact to views to heritage structures or Lake Ontario 	 Preferred No impact to views to heritage structures or Lake Ontario
Preference	Least Preferred	Preferred No impact to views.	Preferred No impacts to views.	PreferredNo impacts to views.
Technical Considerations	 Least Preferred Limits potential redevelopment of west side of the Mainland. 	 Preferred Optimal use of the site for potential redevelopment of the Mainland. 	 Limits potential redevelopment of east side of the Mainland. 	 Description Optimal use of the west side but limits east side for potential redevelopment of the Mainland.
	 Least Preferred Technical challenges working with soil quality and water table. 	 Less Preferred Technical challenges working with soil quality and water table. 	 Least Preferred Requires improvements to existing surface lots to address operational issues. 	 Preferred Technical challenges working with soil quality and water table only for belowground structure.
	 Provides flexibility in size of parking structure. 	 Provides flexibility in size of parking structure. 	 Least Preferred Limited parking with only two small Mainland lots. Existing surface parking is constrained in size due to location between Lake Shore Boulevard West and Lake Ontario waterfront. 	 Preferred Provides greater flexibility in parking options and size of parking structure.
Preference	Least Preferred	Less Preferred	Least Preferred	Preferred
Economic Environment	 Least Preferred High capital costs Highest operating and maintenance costs. 	 Less Preferred Highest capital costs Lower operating and maintenance costs. 	 Preferred Low capital costs Low operating and maintenance costs 	 Less Preferred Highest capital costs Lower operating and maintenance costs

Category	Aboveground Structure	Belowground Structure	Surface Parking Lots	Combination of Surface Parking and Belowground
	 Preferred Provincial ownership of structure with greater number of parking spaces generating revenues to the Province. 	 Preferred Provincial ownership of structure with greater number of parking spaces generating revenues to the Province. 	Less Preferred Provincial ownership of structure with fewer number of parking spaces generating revenues to the Province.	 Preferred Provincial ownership of structure with greater number of parking spaces generating revenues to the Province.
Preference	Least Preferred	Less Preferred	Preferred	Less Preferred
OVERALL PREFERENCE	Least Preferred	Less Preferred	Least Preferred	Preferred Provides greatest on- site parking and flexibility in parking options for site users. Maintains heritage views and views of Lake Ontario, opportunity for future development of west side of Mainland (including revegetation) and lower operating and maintenance costs.

Green shading represents preferred.

Yellow shading represents less preferred.

Red shading represents least preferred.