

# FNHA Metro Vancouver Office Project: A Version of Monetization

Infrastructure Reform Plenary

Our Gathering 2023



## Metro Vancouver Office Project (MVOP)

### What is MVOP?

- FNHA is building an administrative office on Tsleil-Waututh Nation (TWN) land
- 97,000 ft<sup>2</sup> mass timber building accommodating ~ 400 staff, consolidating many Downtown Vancouver and Park Royal leases

### Why is FNHA building this office?

- Need to vacate main lease in Sinclair
   Centre as building being redeveloped
- Significant operational benefits
- Compelling business case to develop purpose-built facility on Community Land



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### **Business Realities**

- Inherited office accommodations sub-optimal for long-term operations
- Downtown Vancouver office leases expensive
- FNHA did not have land or financial resources to build an office
- FNHA not eligible to access FNFA financing
- 10 Year funding agreement with Canada requiring consent to make commitments against the agreement
- Project had to stand on its own merits and the strength of the FNHA Balance Sheet

FNHA NEEDED

FLEXIBILITY FROM

**CANADA TO** 

PURSUE THE

**OPPORTUNITY** 



# Project Journey

### BUSINESS CASE DUE DILIGENCE

FNHA Inherited Five (5) Leases in Vancouver. Sinclair lease is temporary as building is being redeveloped.

Business Case
Development

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Case Initial
Evaluation

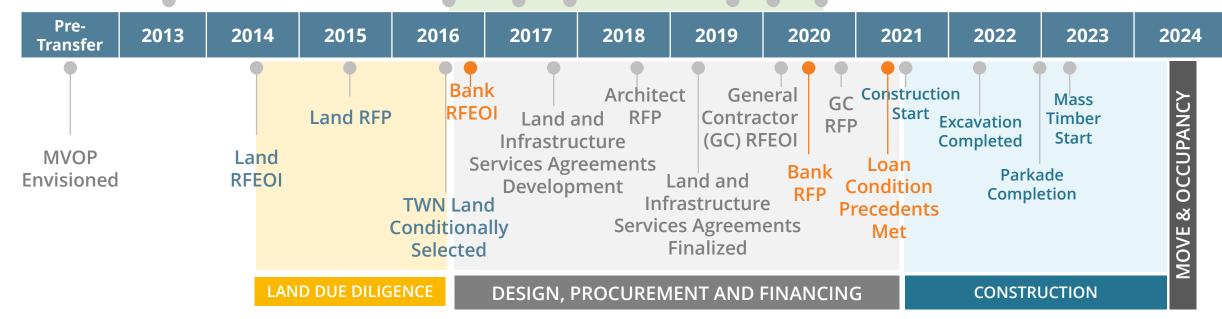
Business
Case
Update

Business
Case
Submission

ISC
Consent
Case
Update

ISC Business Case
Follow-up Evaluation

BUSINESS CASE AND BANK
FINANCING PROCESSES
COMPLETED OVER A
FIVE (5) YEAR PERIOD

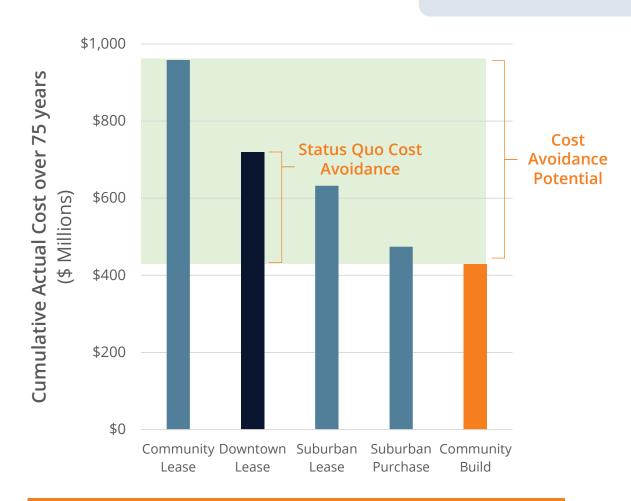




First Nations Health Authority Health through wellness

- FNHA considered five (5) accommodation options
- Consolidation of Metro Vancouver leases offset MVOP mortgage costs (i.e.) No redirecting of funds away program and service delivery
- Cost avoidance opportunities ranged from \$45M to \$529M over 75 years;
   \$291M in cost avoidance relative to the "Status Quo"

Cost avoidance savings available to support future FNHA operations and community funding priorities



Building on TWN Land is the lowest cost option available to FNHA



# Some Things we Have Learned?

- Business case development takes time but it can be a catalyst for change
- Commercial Banks are ready to engage in BC First Nation projects
- Commercial Bank processes are significant work (i.e. condition precedent and monthly progress draw approvals)

MONETIZATION CREATES OPPORTUNITY FOR IMMEDIATE SERVICE /
OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS AND LONG-TERM VALUE



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