

# Presentation to City of Hamilton Audit, Finance & Administration Committee

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# Mountain Plaza Mall – Hamilton Development Charge Credits – SmartCentres REIT

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# **Mountain Plaza Mall - 2009**





**Aerial of Enclosed Shopping Centre Prior to Redevelopment (2009)** 

# **Summary of Request**



SmartCentres REIT is committed to the continued redevelopment and modernization of **Mountain Plaza Mall**.

SmartCentres REIT is requesting a 5-year extension to the remaining Development Charge Credits, accrued as a result of the demolition of portions of the original enclosed mall.



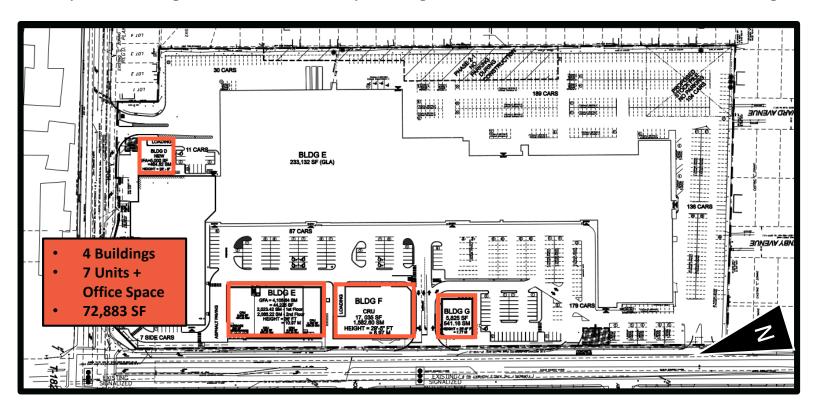
Mountain Plaza Mall 2020

### Redevelopment: Phase 1



#### **2009 - Retail Building Construction**

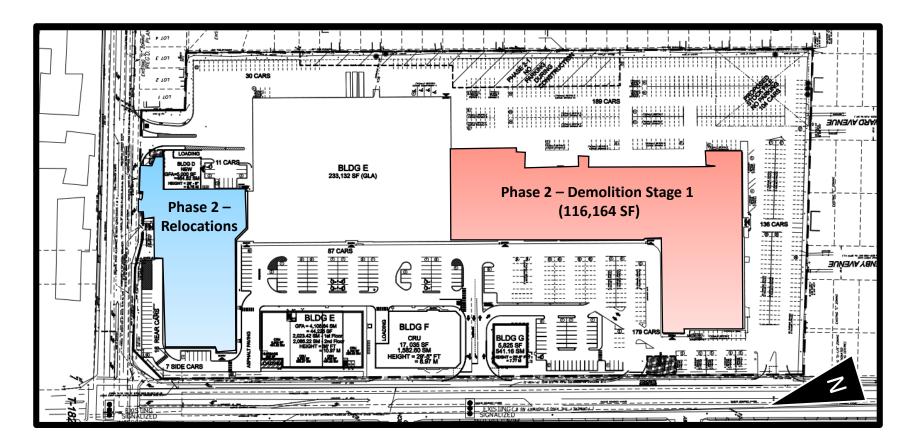
- 4 buildings, containing a total of 7 retail units and some 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor office space (totaling 72,883 SF /6,771 m<sup>2</sup> GLA) were constructed
- Construction along the Upper James frontage allowed for the entire enclosed shopping centre to remain open throughout the build
- Development Charge Credits from the upcoming demolition were used for these buildings





#### **2010 – Relocations and Stage 1 Demolition**

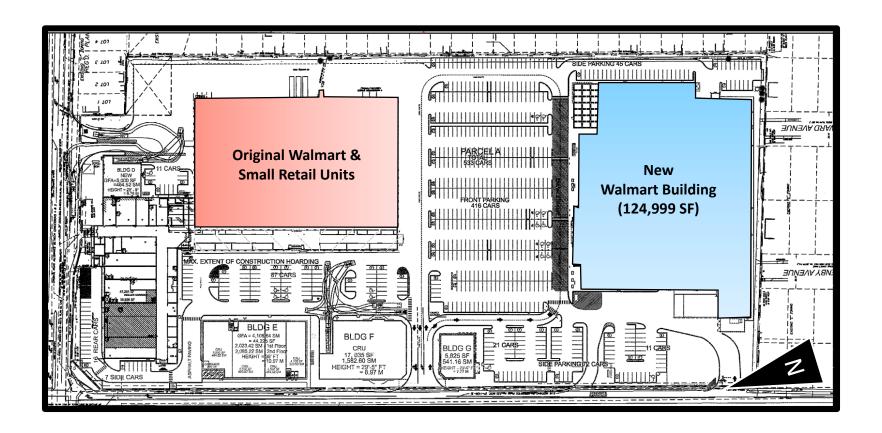
- Various retail tenants relocated to the northern area of the original enclosed mall (in blue)
- Stage 1 of demolition included the south portion of the shopping centre (in red)





#### **2010 – New Walmart Building Construction**

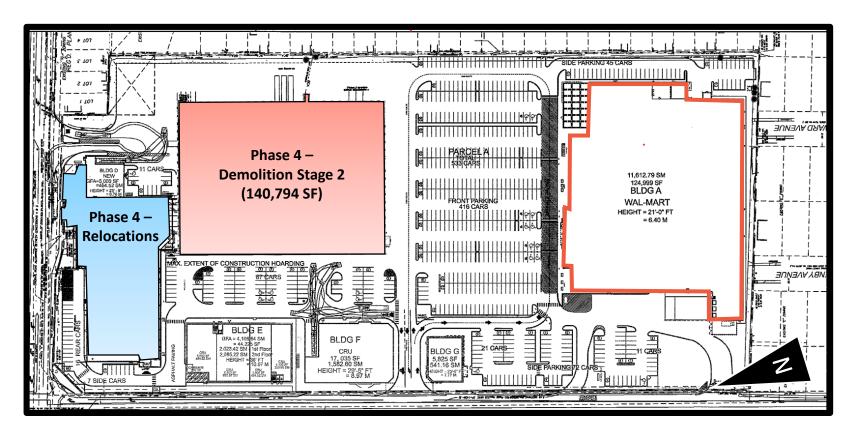
- New stand-alone Walmart building constructed along the southernmost property line
- Original Walmart remained operational within the enclosed mall throughout construction





#### 2011 - Demolition of Original Walmart & Adjacent Small Retail Units

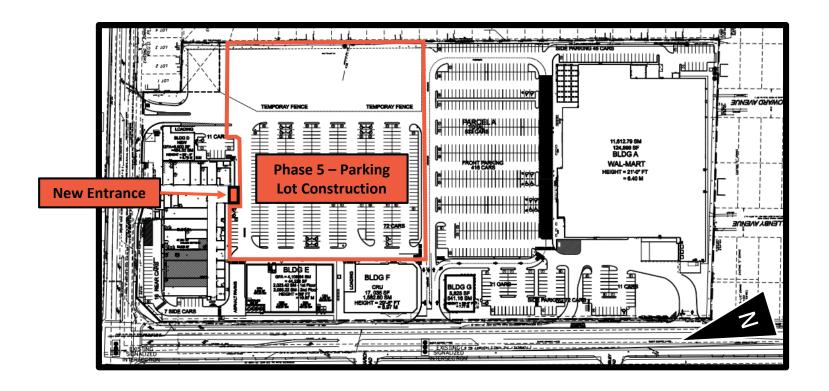
- Walmart was moved to its new building
- Various businesses within the adjacent small retail units were relocated
- Stage 2 of demolition included the original Walmart and a serious of small retail units





#### 2011/2012 - Parking Lot and New Entrance Construction

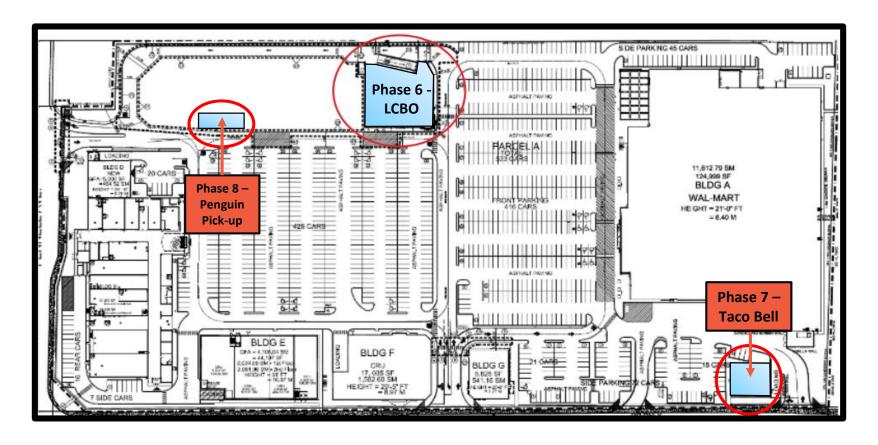
- Parking lot constructed in multiple phases to facilitate customer access to all stores and ensure all tenants remained open throughout
- New entrance to enclosed mall was constructed with direct access to the new parking lot





#### **2013-2017 – Construction of Additional Buildings**

- 2013 LCBO (Building C6) 11,994 SF/1,114m<sup>2</sup>
- 2017 Taco Bell with drive-thru (Building K) 2,190 SF/202m<sup>2</sup>
- 2017 Penguin Pick-up (Building C7) 293 SF/27m<sup>2</sup>



# **Building & Demolition Permit Totals**



BUILDING & DEMOLITION PERMIT LIST						
PERMIT TYPE	BUILDING	PERMIT DATE	PERMIT #	PHASE	SQ.M.	SQ.FT.
Building	Building E (Multi-unit)	Apr. 14, 2009	08-276885	1	(4,168.00)	(44,863.99)
Building	Building F (Shopper's)	Mar. 31, 2009	08-276387	1	(1,581.02)	(17,017.96)
Building	Building G (CIBC)	Mar. 10, 2009	09-181866	1	(541.25)	(5,825.97)
Building	Building D (Beer Store)	Apr. 14, 2009	09-182310	1	(465.74)	(5,013.18)
Demolition	Enclosed - South	Apr. 8, 2009	09-181866	2	10,792.00	116,164.12
Building	Building A (Walmart)	Nov. 24, 2009	09-191857	3	(11,612.41)	(124,994.94)
Demolition	Enclosed - Walmart	Jan. 12, 2010	09-201602	4	13,080.16	140,793.67
Building	Building C6 (LCBO)	Apr. 10, 2012	12-104533	6	(1,114.20)	(11,993.15)
DEVELOPMENT CHARGE CREDITS EXTENDED IN 2017					4,389.54	47,248.61
Building	Building K (Taco Bell)	Mar. 31, 2017	17-100989	7	202.00	2,174.31
Building	Building C7 (Penguin Pick-Up)	Apr. 11, 2017	16-123541	7	27.21	292.91
DEVELOPMENT CHARGE CREDITS REQUESTED FOR EXTENSION IN 2020					4,160.33	44,781.21

## Redevelopment Planning



#### **2017-Present – Completing Mountain Plaza Redevelopment**

- SmartCentres has actively engaged with potential tenants, since before the time of its previous extension request in 2017
- The intervening time has seen a significant shift in the retail landscape with the rise of e-commerce (online retail), ultimately impacting potential new tenancies
- COVID-related closures have further impacted the willingness/ability of retailers to open new locations, as they diligently focus on their bricks & mortar stores
- This redefined retail economy has necessitated a 'rethink' to SmartCentres' approach to further stages of the redevelopment of Mountain Plaza Mall
- SmartCentres continues to work diligently to identify the highest and best use for the unbuilt and vacant parcels, as well as the remaining section of the enclosed mall
- The modernization of this prominent community destination remains our objective, however additional time in required to develop a plan that will prove to be viable for our company and welcomed by Hamilton Council and Staff

### **Summary of Request**



SmartCentres REIT is requesting a <u>5-year</u> extension of the remaining Development Charge Credits accrued through the demolition and redevelopment of Mountain Plaza Mall.



#### **Projected Timeline for Further Redevelopment**

- 2021 Engage with Staff in a Pre-Application Conference (PAC)
- 2021-2022 Phase 1 Applications & Consultation with Staff
- 2023 Phase 1 Council Approval
- 2023-2025 Phase 1 Building Permit & Construction
- 2025-2026 Phase 2 Applications & Consultation with Staff\*

 $<sup>^</sup>st$  It is expected that any remaining Development Charge Credits would be enveloped in this application

