



Moving of the Horticultural Building at Lansdowne Park

DATE: Tuesday, October 4th, 2016 TIME: 10:30 am

LOCATION: Shaw Centre-210

GUEST SPEAKERS: Mr. Mario Lapalme - CDS Building Movers, Mr. John Sweetnam - CDS Building Movers, Mr. Graham Bird - GBA

DESCRIPTION: Mario Lapalme, John Sweetnam and Graham Bird - CDS Movers, Slide presentation with narrative describing the structural move of the Horticultural Building at Lansdowne Park. The Presentation will outline the planning process, complexity of the move, obstacles and challenges, and a description of the relocation

BIOGRAPHY: Mr. Mario Lapalme
Mario has been working with CDS Building Movers for 18 years.

BIOGRAPHY: Mr. John Sweetnam
Pending

BIOGRAPHY: Mr. Graham Bird, President

The roots of the Bird family are several generations deep in the Ottawa area, instilling in Graham the belief that as a native son he had an obligation to future generations to keep making Ottawa better. As President of GBA, Graham often says that helping to build Ottawa is a great privilege — to imagine what could be, to work with visionary partners, and then together, to build and achieve that vision. “Getting to be creative and help shape the city you were born and raised in really isn’t work – it’s play,” he says.

Graham spends his days — and often many evenings — playing out possibilities to solve complex redevelopment projects to ensure they are completed on time and on budget. Most importantly, he works to ensure they are built so that a community becomes more memorable and more relevant.

With more than 30 years of experience in the development business throughout Canada, Graham has managed a wide variety of multidisciplinary projects for both the public and private sectors. He is particularly respected for understanding the business force of development — the need for building solutions into the design, the construction and the operations of new infrastructure; solutions that are flexible and respond promptly to the requirements of clients or markets.

Graham has a successful track record in leading-edge, complex redevelopment — whether it is institutional, commercial, residential, or mixed-use — through all of the applicable phases including planning, design, construction, financing, approval, communications, and operations. A member of the Association of Professional Engineers

of Ontario, Graham holds a degree in Applied Science from Queen's University.