



NANAIMO EVENTS CENTRE BUSINESS PLAN OPERATING ASSUMPTIONS ANALYSIS



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## Scope of analysis

- Reviewed Nanaimo Event Centre Phase 2 Study report
  - Stafford Sports Business Plan model
- Purpose was to:
  - Consider reasonableness of Business Plan assumptions
  - Stress test the Business Plan using more conservative assumptions (where appropriate)
- Detailed information underlying Stafford Sports' assumptions was not available due to its commercially confidential nature



#### Sources of information

- ► EY relied upon the following in undertaking this analysis:
  - Information provided in response to a request of BBB Architects
  - Direct discussions with major North American operators
  - EY sports and entertainment group







# **Key risks**

- Event numbers and event attendance
  - Promoter achieving event revenue targets, in the context of broader economic considerations
- Negotiations with operator
  - Negotiation of market-competitive commercial terms
- Advertising and luxury seating sales
  - ▶ 600 businesses with > 19 employees
  - Need local investment
- Driving synergies of management across multiple facilities
  - in order to reduce costs







## Scenario analysis

#### Base Case

As developed by BBB

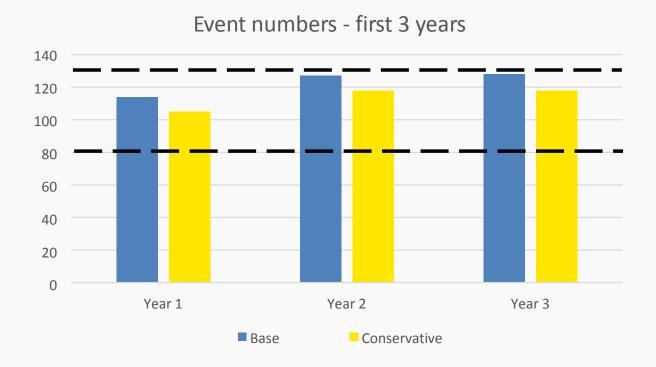
#### 'Conservative' case

- Closer to the middle of benchmark range for key variables
  - Event numbers
  - Ancillary revenue (ice rentals)



# Scenario analysis

#### Event number scenarios







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## Scope of analysis

- Consider funding requirements and sources for the Events Centre
  - Requirements driven by
    - Debt service based on development on 1 Port Drive site
    - Property insurance
  - Sources driven by
    - Operating Plan developed by BBB
      - Facility fees and operating surplus (deficit)
    - Public funding sources
- Considered extent to which requirements able to be funded







## **Funding requirements**

- ▶ 1 Port Drive capital cost of \$80m to be debt funded
  - Reflects 'Base' cost of Events Centre development
  - Construction cost of \$70m, Services costs of \$10m
- Debt funding assumptions:
  - 20 year loan from Municipal Financing Authority
  - Interest rate of 3.0% p.a.
  - Implied payment of \$5.4m per annum
- Property Insurance costs of \$200,000 p.a.
- ▶ Total annual requirement of ~\$5.6m p.a.







## **Funding sources**

- Events Centre operations
  - Ticket Surcharges (Facility Fee + City Capital Reserve fee)
  - Operating surplus (if applicable)
- Public funding
  - Hotel tax
  - Strategic Infrastructure Reserve
  - General Revenue
  - Payments in lieu of taxes (PILT)



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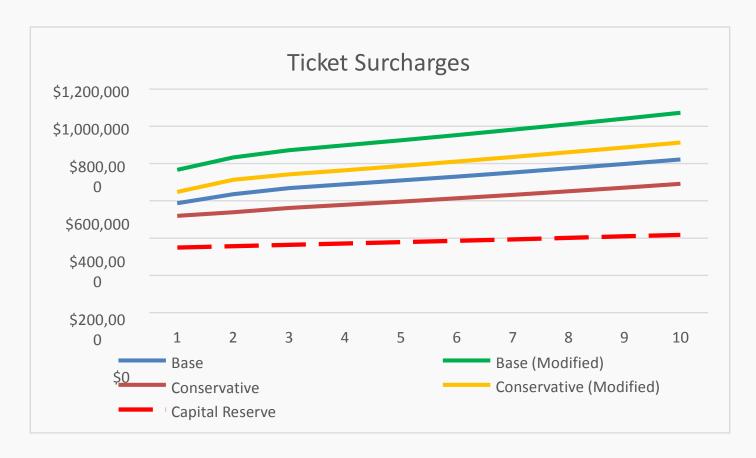
#### Modified Base and 'Conservative' cases

Assumes modified ticket surcharge on high end events



## **Ticket surcharges**

Annual Ticket Surcharges by scenario

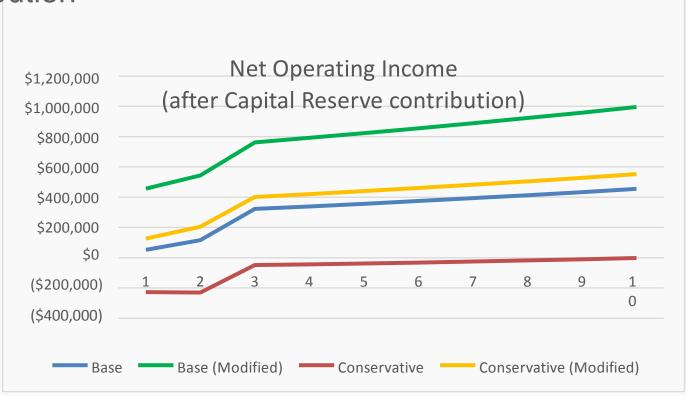




# Net operating income

Net Operating Income after Capital Reserve

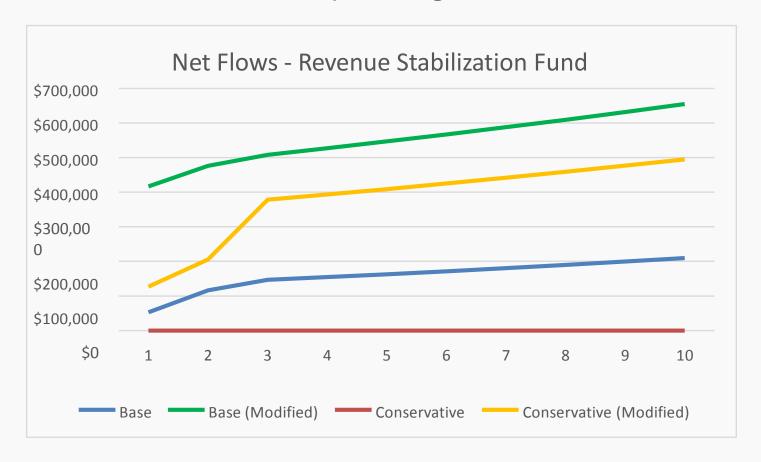
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#### Revenue stabilization account

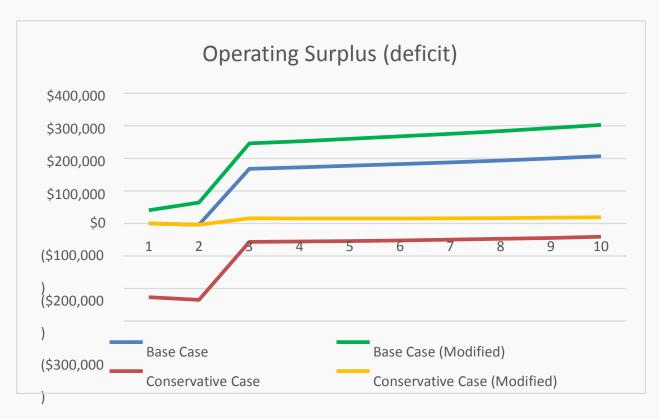
Available to fund future operating deficits





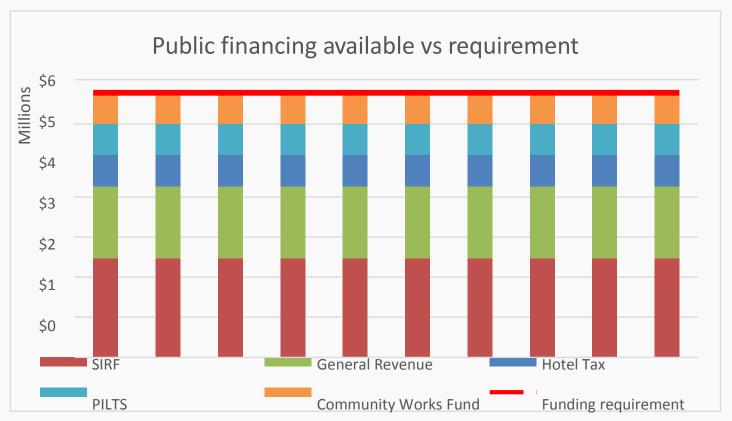
# **Overall surplus (deficit)**

 Operating Surplus (deficit) after Capital Reserve and Revenue Stabilization Fund contributions



# Public funding vs requirement

- Public Funding assumed to cover \$5.6m p.a. requirement
  - No requirement for Events Centre operations surplus to fund debt



# Risks - Capital Financing



# **Key risks**

- Risks related to 'Base Case' Net Operating Income,
  - Event numbers and attendance
  - Luxury seating and advertising
  - Negotiation with operator
- Cost of finance
- Approval / finalization of public funding sources





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