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Attention: Keith Milne, Vice President - Construction & Property Standards

Dear Keith:

**Subject:** Wesley Place – 1022 Nelson St., Vancouver

Parkade Evaluation

As per our proposal dated April 5, 2022, we provide the following report.

#### INTRODUCTION

#### **SCOPE OF WORK**

The purpose of our evaluation was to:

- Obtain information on the current condition of the parking garage;
- Identify conditions that are or will soon adversely impact performance;
- Identify management strategies; and
- Provide opinions of cost to implement the identified solutions.

#### **METHODOLOGY**

Work completed for this evaluation included:

- Discussions with management representatives to learn about the history and current performance problems;
- Visual review of the parking garage;
- Visual review of leaking cracks, along with sounding of sample crack areas to identify 'hidden' areas of deteriorations;
- Identify other conditions which appear in need of remedial work (i.e., drainage, lighting, signage, etc.).

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#### GENERAL BUILDING/COMPONENT DESCRIPTION

Wesley Place is a 22-storey residential building located at 1022 Nelson Street in downtown Vancouver. The building is constructed of reinforced concrete columns, structural slabs, with infill masonry or window-wall cladding. The building was constructed circa 2021.

The four-level underground parking garage is generally located below the building footprint. However, it extends past the footprint along the north, south and west sides, creating a buried roof slab (see Photos 1 to 3). Based on review of building drawings, the buried roof slab is protected by a waterproofing membrane and protection board, below hard and soft landscaping. The parkade is accessed via a covered ramp from the south laneway, which is protected by a traffic membrane (see Photo 4). The P1 to P3 suspended parking slabs are also protected by a traffic membrane, and sloped to area drains (see Photo 5). It appears that the drive aisle membrane has been renewed at some point (see Photo 6). The P4-level is unprotected slab-on-grade (see Photo 7).

#### PERFORMANCE AND HISTORY

No reports of active leakage or problematic areas were identified to us, at the time of our review.

#### **KEY FINDINGS**

#### TRAFFIC MEMBRANE APPROACHING END OF SERVICE LIFE

We noted wearing in the traffic membrane at base of ramp, and high traffic turning areas generally on the upper levels of the parkade (see Photos 8 to 10). We also noted evidence of leakage at the trench drain, below area drains, and on the underside of the ramp (see Photos 11 to 13).

Although the membrane generally appears to be in a serviceable condition, these membranes typically have a service life of 15 to 20 years, depending on product used, and quality of installation. Regular maintenance is required in order to achieve or prolong service life, and it appears that the drive aisle membrane was recoated for this purpose.

#### LOCALIZED CONCRETE DETERIORATION

We noted localized concrete deterioration along a slab edge above parking stall 54 on the P2-level (see Photo 14). The concrete deterioration does not appear to be related to leakage, but either the result of thermal movement or settlement.

#### LOCALIZED LEAKAGE THROUGH FOUNDATION WALL

We noted minor leakage staining through cracks, and wall-to-slab joints along the foundation walls (see Photos 15 and 16). Ongoing leakage may aid in increased concrete deterioration and repair quantities in the future.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

#### CORRODED DRAIN PIPE

We noted corrosion of an area drain pipe on the P2-level (see Photo 17). This may be a result of leakage from around the drain penetration, or cracks in the drain body itself. This condition may introduce additional water onto the P2-level.



#### EVIDENCE OF LEAKAGE AT NORTHWEST CORNER OF PARKADE

We noted evidence of leakage on the garage roof slab soffit above the P1-level Water Room at the northwest corner of the parkade (see Photo 18). Although there appears to be a membrane applied to the Water Room floor, we noted hairline cracking and evidence of leakage into the P2-level Storage Room below (see Photos 19 to 21). We did not have access into the P2-level Storage Room to confirm if a waterproofing membrane was present; however, there is evidence of leakage on the soffit at the northwest corner of the P3-level (see Photo 22).

At this time, it is not clear if this leakage is the result of leakage through the garage roof slab membrane, the mechanical equipment in the Water Room, or a combination of both. We would recommend addressing the membranes within the parking garage.

#### MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES

#### **TEMPORARY MEASURES**

Until further repair work is completed, we would recommend removing the deteriorated concrete above parking stall 54, to alleviate risk of property damage or injury of users below.

#### DO NOTHING APPROACH

We assume and recommend that measures are taken to manage identified issues. If you choose to do nothing to address the identified issues, risks may include:

- Ongoing and accelerated deterioration that may lead to unsafe conditions developing;
- Risks to public safety;
- Increased repair and maintenance costs;
- Increased potential of water ingress;

#### **MANAGEMENT STRATEGY 1 – PARKADE MAINTENACE REPAIRS**

We recommend completing parkade maintenance repairs in the next 1 to 2 years, to protect various structural components, mitigate risk of water ingress, and renew service life of membranes. The scope of work would include:

- Localized waterproofing membrane repairs, along with overlaying the wear course within the drive aisles;
- Membrane application at northwest P1 Water Room and P2 Storage Room;
- Injection waterproofing repairs at leaking foundation wall cracks; and
- Removing evidence of leakage and localized painting on soffits and foundation walls.

We estimate the project budget for the scope listed above to be \$280,000 to \$300,000 (excluding engineering, contingencies, and taxes). Please note that this budget does not include repairing the garage roof slab membrane at the northwest corner of the development. If requested, we can include this scope into the parkade maintenance repairs.



We expect this report meets your needs at this time. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Yours sincerely,

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Encl. Limitations

Photograph Appendix

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- Budget figures are our opinion of a probable current dollar value of the work and are provided for approximate budget purposes only. Accurate figures can only be obtained by establishing a scope of work and receiving quotes from suitable contractors.
- Time frames given for undertaking work represent our opinion of when to budget for the work. Failure of the item, or the optimum repair/replacement process, may vary from our estimate.



# PHOTOGRAPHS APPENDIX

# Photo



# Description

# Photo 1:

General view of north buried garage roof slab (red area).

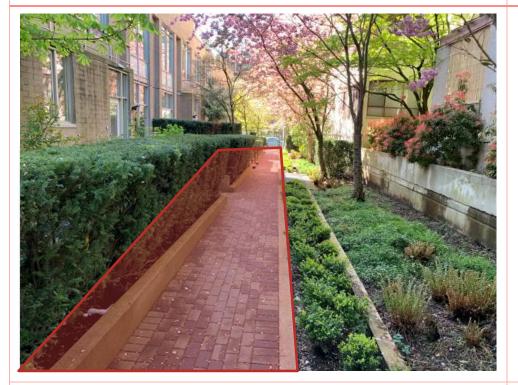


#### Photo 2:

General view of south buried garage roof slab (red area).

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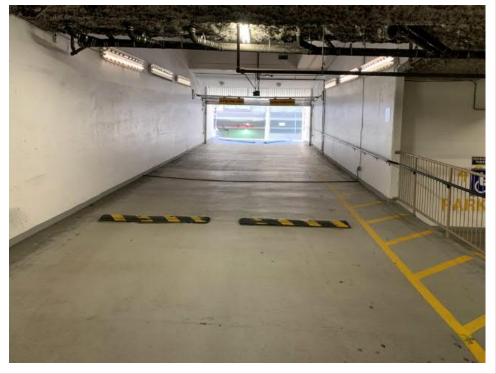




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# Photo 3:

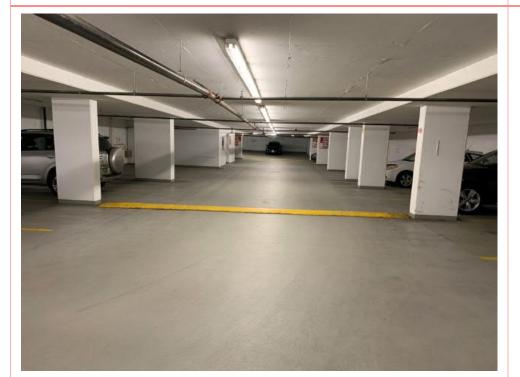
General view of west buried garage roof slab (red area).



#### Photo 4:

General view of covered entrance ramp, with traffic membrane.





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# Photo 5:

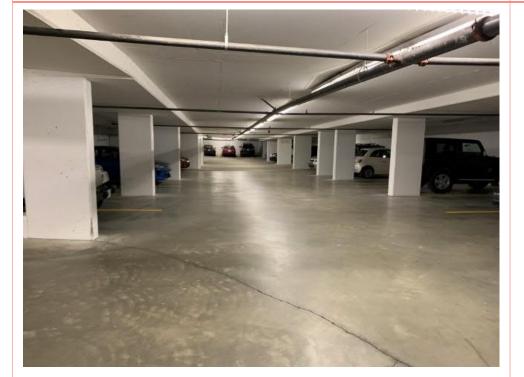
General view of suspended parking slabs protected by a traffic membrane.



# Photo 6:

Appears drive aisles have been recoated (red arrow), relative to parking stalls (yellow arrow).

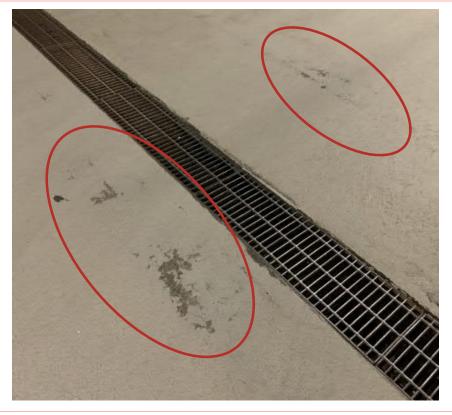




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# Photo 7:

General view of P4-Level slab-ongrade.



# Photo 8:

Evidence of wear in the traffic membrane at base of ramp.

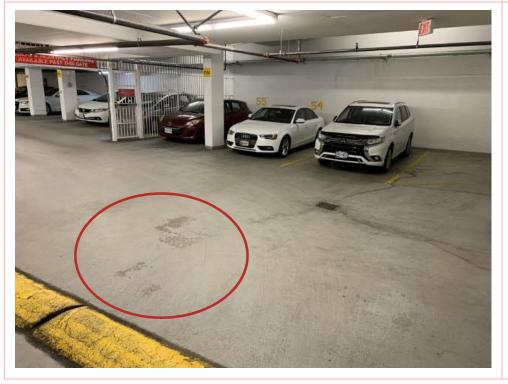




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# Photo 9:

Evidence of wear in the traffic membrane at P1 turning area.



# Photo 10:

Evidence of wear in the traffic membrane at P1 turning area.



# Photo Description



# Photo 11:

Evidence of leakage at trench drain penetration, below garage access ramp.



Photo 12:

Evidence of leakage at area drain.



# Photo Description Photo 13: Evidence of leakage below garage entrance ramp. Photo 14: Localized concrete deterioration above parking stall 54.



# Photo Description Photo 15: Evidence of leakage through foundation wall. Photo 16: Evidence of leakage at suspended slab to wall joint.



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# Photo 17:

Corroded drain pipe on P2-level.



# Photo 18:

Evidence of leakage below garage roof slab, at northwest corner of site, within P1-level Water Room.





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# Photo 19:

Hairline cracking present in the P1-level Water Room.



# Photo 20:

Hairline cracking present in the Pllevel Water Room.



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# Evidence of leakage on soffit of P2-level Storage Room.

Photo 21:



Photo 22: Evidence of leakage on soffit at northwest corner of P3-level.