EXPLANATORY NOTE TO SUPPORT NOTIFCATION OF PROPOSED PLANNING AGREEMENT

PROPERTY: 114-124 CHURCH STREET, PARRAMATTA

Parties to the Planning Agreement

The parties to the Planning Agreement are:

GLORY PROPERTY DEVELOPMENTS (AUSTRALIA) PTY LIMITED ("the Developer")

AND:

PARRAMATTA CITY COUNCIL ("the Council")

The Developer has made an offer to carry out certain works on its land, to construct a laneway which would then be dedicated to the Council as public road, the resurfacing of adjoining pedestrian and vehicular laneways to the north and south and other associated infrastructure including lighting, drainage, signage and Arts Plan.

Description of the Subject Land

The Planning Agreement applies to the eastern part of the land known as:

- 114-124 Church Street, Parramatta, being Lot 1 & 2 in Deposited Plan 543456, Lot 8 in Deposited Plan 548344 and Lot 20 in Deposited Plan 979263; and
- the adjoining land set out in the Works Plan, a copy which is Annexure "**A**" to this note.

Description of Proposed Development

The section 96 modification proposes to amend the original Consent which was for

- 4 levels of basement car park
- 3 levels of retail, commercial and restaurant uses within podium
- 20 level residential tower

The amendments will permit a development which is:-

- 4 levels of basement car park
- 5 levels providing for retail, restaurant and commercial uses

• 20 level residential tower

The proposed amendments are as follows:-

- 1. The addition of 2 commercial levels (3A & 3B), generally within the approved podium footprint.
- 2. The deletion of 24 car parking spaces.
- 3. Minor reduction in maximum height of loading dock.
- 4. The rationalisation and replanning of the podium plan, including removal of the swimming pool and relocation of gym.
- 5. Moving the restaurant to level 2 from level 3.
- 6. Reduction in balcony area (Church Street elevation) unit type B.
- 7. Internal replanning of units generally.
- 8. Addition of operable multi-fold windows to balconies on all units.

Summary of Objectives, Nature and Effect of the Planning Agreement

The Planning Agreement provides that the Developer will construct wholly as works-in-kind the following works:

- Construct a new laneway link on the Land and adjoining Council Land as shown on the Works Plan.
- Reconstruct or resurface the existing laneways as set out on the Works Plan.
- Construct all drainage works related to the laneways.
- Construct and implement the urban design features and landscaping shown in the Landscape Plan.
- The provision and erection of approved lighting as agreed with Council.
- The provision and implementation of the Arts and Signage Plan as agreed with Council.
- The provision and implementation of the CCTV Crime Prevention Video Surveillance Program.

The works set out above may be reduced proportionately if the gross additional commercial floor area proposed as part of the section 96 modification is reduced by more than 200 square metres.

WHAT ARE THE MERITS OF THIS PLANNING AGREEMENT?

The Planning Purpose of the Plan

In accordance with section 93(f)(2) of *the Act*, the Planning Agreement has the following public purposes:

- 1. The provision of public amenities.
- 2. The provision of the laneway link, traffic calming device, shared zone and resurfacing of existing laneways.
- 3. The provision of safer and more direct pedestrian connections within the Parramatta CBD and in particular to the Parramatta Bus\Rail Interchange.

The Council and Developer have assessed the Planning Agreement and both hold the view that the provisions of the Planning Agreement provide a reasonable means of achieving the public purposes set out above. This is because the Council has been provided by the Developer with a quantity surveyor's report which confirms that the cost of the above works will be approximately \$614,000.00. A summary table of the public benefits of the VPA offer is attached at Annexure "**B**"

How the Planning Agreement Promotes the Public Interest?

The Planning Agreement promotes the public interest by taking advantage of a planning opportunity to:-

- Create a public domain focal point which will activate the secondary frontage of 124 Church Street and provide for new pedestrian routes prior to an Occupation Certificate being issued;
- The connection of two existing laneways by the construction of a shared pedestrian traffic calming device;
- The provision of the vehicular link will allow an additional route for taxis and private vehicles to drop customers and others conveniently at the Parramatta Bus\Rail Interchange;
- The implementation of Council's Laneway Policy including the improved lighting, casual surveillance and generally, by activating the area create a safer environment;
- Create a place where quality urban design and landscape treatment, coupled with an Arts Plan can significantly improve the amenity of the laneway precinct and pedestrian thoroughfare between Church Street and the transport interchange.

The Developers' offer to do the above additional works does not in any way affect the regular section 94 Contributions being paid as a part of the original Development Consent process.

How the Planning Agreement Promotes the Objects of the Act

The Planning Agreement promotes the following objects of the Act:

- The proper management and development of the Parramatta CBD for the purpose of promoting the social and economic welfare of the community and a better environment;
- The promotion and co-ordination of the orderly and economic use and development of land;

The Planning Agreement promotes the object of the Act set out above by requiring the Developer to provide works set out in this explanatory note under the heading "Summary of Objectives, Nature and Effect of the Planning Agreement". Each of the purposes set out above represents an important public benefit, and the development's offer to contribute towards theses purposes will provide an important positive impact on the public who use the infrastructure to which these purposes relate.

Interpretation of Planning Agreement

This Explanatory Note is not to be used to assist in construing the Planning Agreement.

ANNEXURE A TO EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

VPA Works Plan





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ANNEXURE B TO EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

Table 1 identifies the Public Benefits offered under the Voluntary Planning Agreement between **Glory Property Development (Australia) Pty Ltd** and **Parramatta City Council.**

Voluntary Planning Agreement Offer – Public Benefits	Offer Value
New Laneway Link	
To complete the design, construction and commissioning of a new vehicle and	
pedestrian laneway link, including a traffic calming device, connecting existing	
laneways to the north and south. This creates a more efficient traffic and pedestrian	
movements to and from Parramatta Railway Access/Bus Interchange.	
Preparation, demolition and substructure	\$9,768.75
Cobble stones	\$23,685.00
• Street lighting	\$10,000.00
Associated drainage/stormwater	\$5,000.00
Associated design, construction and certification costs	\$19,005.00
TOTAL	\$67,458.75
Resurface/reconstruct existing laneways	
To complete the design, reconstruction and commissioning of the adjoining existing	
laneways with new high quality cobble stones, street lighting and associated drainage.	
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Preparation, demolition and substructure	\$55,356.25 \$124,215,00
Replace existing bitumen with cobble stones	\$134,215.00 \$15,000.00
• Street lighting	\$5,000.00
Associated drainage/stormwater	\$82,355.00
Associated design, construction and certification costs	\$291,926.25
TOTAL	φ271,720.25
Dedication of Land	
To allow the immediate commissioning of the vehicular link 26.4m2 of additional	
land is to be dedicated to Council.	
• Additional 29.42m ²	\$163,928.20
Urban design, landscaping, art and signage	, ,
To complete the design, construction and commissioning of the Public Domain Area	
with high quality finishes, landscaping and community art theme. A laneway naming	
project and creating a safe inviting meeting place is the urban design outcome.	
Landscape and irrigation	\$25,600.00
Artwork	\$35,000.00
• Signage	\$5,000.00
Associated design, construction and certification costs	\$25,340.00
TOTAL	\$90,940.00
SUBTOTAL VPA OFFER (Excluding Development Costs)	\$614,253.20