



**25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019** 



# **PERE LONDON**

# Sale of Palmer Capital to Fiera Captial

ALEX PRICE AND PETER CUTHBERT FIERA REAL ESTATE

## **Insert Slide Title**





### PETER CUTHBERT, PRESIDENT | FIERA PROPERTIES (TO BE REBRANDED FIERA REAL ESTATE JULY 2019)

Peter joined Fiera Properties in 2012 as COO, and was appointed Fiera Properties President in November 2017, with oversight of the CORE real estate fund.

Prior to joining Fiera Properties, Peter oversaw the Canadian real estate operations of Standard Life Investmnt. Peter believes strongly in giving back to his community, as evidenced by his involvement with various charities and his coaching of minor hockey teams.

### ALEX PRICE, CEO | PALMER CAPITAL (TO BE REBRANDED FIERA REAL ESTATE END 2019)

Alex joined Palmer Capital in 2003, initially charged with creating the fund management business within Palmer Capital. He was promoted to Chief Executive in 2008. Prior to Palmer Capital, Alex served as an officer in the British Army before starting his financial career with Credit Lyonnais Securities in 1997.

He has an MBA from the London Business School and is a fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.



# **BACKGROUND TO FIERA AND PALMER CAPITAL**

## FIERA CAPITAL – CORPORATE OVERVIEW





### FIERA CAPITAL

# A TRUSTED AND ALIGNED CANADIAN INVESTMENT MANAGER

- Publicly-traded, independent, Canadian investment management firm
- Controlled and significantly owned by principals
- Depth and expertise:
  - o Fixed Income
  - Canadian Equities
  - Global Equities
  - Alternative Strategies
- Offices across Canada, the United States and Europe
- Institutional and High Net Worth investor focus

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\$139 B+ 750+ 175+ Investment professionals

### FIERA PROPERTIES

EXPERIENCE, FOCUS,
DIVERSIFICATION. ALIGNMENT

- Focus on 'managing investments'
  - Capital protection
  - o Income
  - o Value creation
- · Assets located across Canada, from St. John's to Vancouver
- Office, retail, industrial, multi-family
- Primarily institutional, family office and High Net Worth investors

\$2.9 B+ Assets under management\* 100% Staff co-investment (Fiera Properties CORE Fund)

# FIERA CAPITAL – GLOBAL STRUCTURE







PRIVATE ALTERNATIVES









**EUROPE** 



**UNITED STATES** 



PACIFIC-ASIA

# PALMER CAPITAL IN A SNAPSHOT





### INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW

**100%** UK Real Estate 33.3% stakes in

c.£800m AUM across c.60

### **KEY STATISTICS**

< 80

>£700m 18% IRR

(across UK value add promote pre-fees)

Value add funds

raised since 2004

Source: Palmer Capital, as at 31st March 2019

across the UK\* since 2004



<sup>\* 51</sup> staff within the PC regional property companies , 29 staff within Palmer Capital

# INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT PLATFORM





### **SELECT INVESTOR LIST**





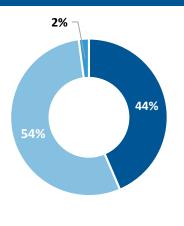








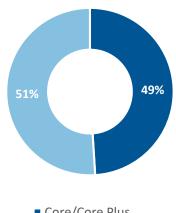
### **AUM BY INVESTOR TYPE**



■ Middle Eastern Mandates

UK Pension Funds

### **AUM BY STRATEGY**



# Core/Core PlusEnhanced Returns

# AUM BY SECTOR 7% 19% 33% 10% 1w Retail Residential Residential Office Retail Warehouse Mixed use

As at 31st March 2019, based on property value, includes direct deals, excludes 3rd party prop co JV's



# **BACKGROUND TO SALE**

# **GENERAL BACKGROUND FOR ALL REIM**





### **Pressure on fees**

- AMC increasing % of total returns.
- UK 2019: Market forecast of 3.5% (CBRE) versus AMC 20 bp (multi manager) to 150bp (PERE Opp Fund).

### LPs desire for larger/fewer funds

- Need to have fewer managers relationships as limited resource in-house.
- 2018: 30% of all capital raised was by 10 managers. 65% of funds were £1bn+ funds.

### **Globalisation of LP capital**

- US still largest PERE market accounting for 60% of \$400bn raised in 2018.
- Increased cross border investing from Asia (Japan and Korea especially).

### Increased need for GP focus

- Greater scrutiny on what value is added by managers.
- Desire from investor for focus into specific strategies.

### **Higher Central Costs**

- Need for managers to meet compliance and new regulatory demands (MIFID II, FCA Illiquid report 2019).
- Need to meet ESG targets (GRESB has 900 participants and 80,000 assets).

# **DETAILED BACKGROUND**





### **Palmer Capital**

### 2015

- Palmer Capital decided any sale should help:
  - Shareholder succession.
  - Increase management talent.
  - Increase balance sheet equity.
  - Access global equity distribution.

### 2016

- A sale process of 50% equity aborted.
- Business Processes upgraded.
- Data room retained.

### 2018

• Spring: Fiera introduced us by a third party advisor.

### Fiera Real Estate

### 2016

• Decisions to increase access for client to Alternatives.

### 2017

- Growth of Fiera Properties in Canada.
- Fiera search for a Alts platform.
  - Comox (Agriculture)
  - Aquila (Infrastructure)
  - Clearwater (Asian credit)
- Fiera meet over 20 RE managers, mainly in UK.
- Direct approaches by management team.

### 2018

- Fiera and PC meet in spring 2018.
- Approval to deal to acquire 80% of PC in Dec 2018.

22<sup>nd</sup> December 2018: Deal signed

3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019: FCA approval obtained and transaction closed.

# WHY A DEAL WORKS (OR NOT)





### **Selection:**

- Complementary business models means each team understand the other.
- Complementary geographic foot prints means both teams feel its additive.
- Cultural alignment and shared values increase chances of success.

### **Deal Execution:**

- Buy in from key people (but only the right time) is essential, across both the business and management.
- Vendor shareholders need to reward non shareholding management.
- Build trust between buyer and seller. Agree hard issues early and don't rely on adviser.

### **Thereafter:**

- Need to **drive for integration** and accept both partners may have best in class ideas and practices.
- Balance autonomy of the acquired team and with a need to show early successes.
- Vendor needs to accept post sale its no longer there business, it belongs to the buyer.....





# **Any questions**

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### **FIERA PROPERTIES**

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