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Charlebois owners meeting: future strategy

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Executive summary

How to keep retailers?

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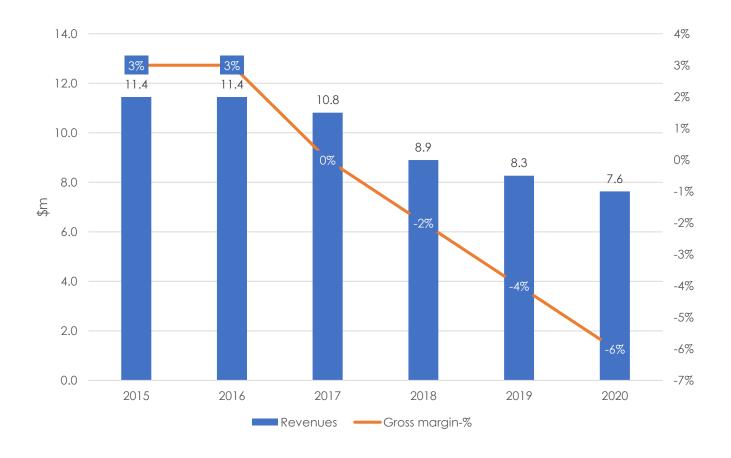
Trends affecting shopping malls

• E-commerce is squeezing brick & mortar stores

Shoppers are using physical stores mainly as showrooms

Shift focus more to services

Company lookout if no actions are taken



Assumptions for 2017:

- 52,990 square meters
- \$20/m2 average rent

Screening approach

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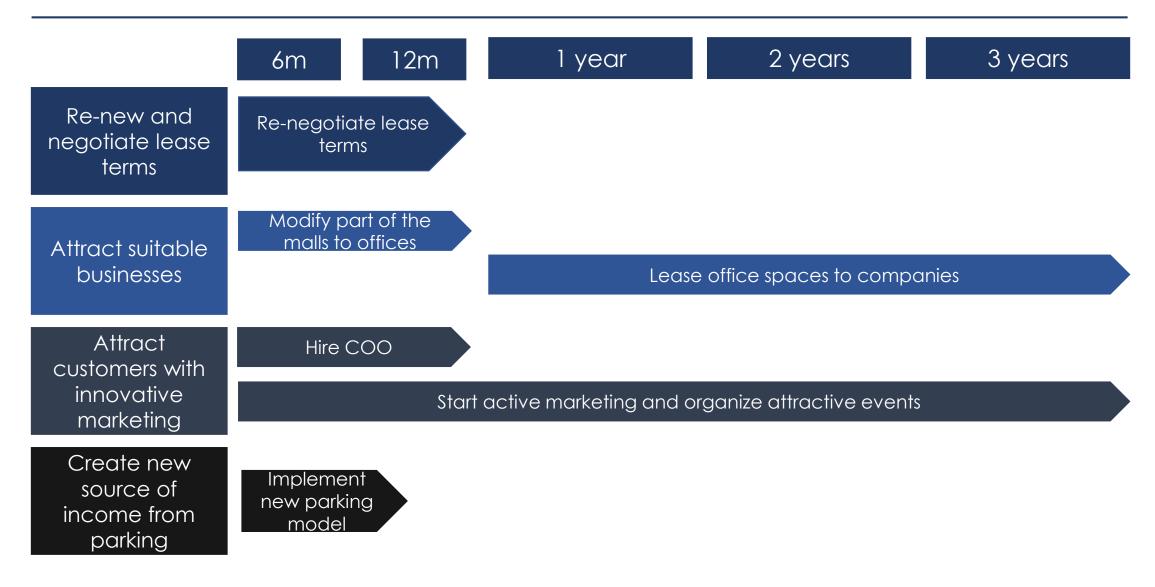
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Implementation plan



Re-new and negotiate lease terms

Re-negotiate lease terms based on our break-even point

Negotiate mall rents so that we gain 1% of their sales as revenue

Focus on service sector

Be more flexible with rent prices

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Attract suitable businesses

Look for companies to rent office space

Modify 10% of Hartford to office space

Develop an app for the malls to inform about the happenings

Focus on services

Marketing

Organize events in malls (e.g. music concerts, holiday festives, community-related events)

Be present in social media and traditional marketing channels

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Attract more customer volume to the malls

Create new source of income from parking

Incentivise parkers to shop in the mall – over USD 20 purchase customers get parking for free; otherwise USD 2 per hours

Diversify income volatility

Costs and revenue from parking

Costs	
\$000	Costs
Marketing	(100)
coo	(70)
Mall app	(40)
Office renovation	(200)
Total annually	(170)
Total	(410)

Parking	
\$	Amount
Business days in a year	260
Commuter cars	40
Pays parking \$10	40%
Goes shopping, avg. purchase \$40	60%
Total revenue	45,344

Funding of the new strategy plan



- Portland as collateral
- Costs are \$410,000
- Reserve for renovations needed in next year

Changing the direction of future development



Assumptions for 2018:

- 25% of rents will be renegotiated to \$18/m2 rent

Key risks and actions to mitigate them

Risk	Probability	Magnitude	Actions to mitigate
Retailers face financials difficulties	Mid	Mid	Offer new leasing terms based on sales fees
Lack of shoppers	Mid	High	Differentiate offering from traditional malls; offer more services
Disputes between owners	Mid	Mid	Bring outside talent as COO

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