Transitioning from Your Business

Your Next Great Challenge

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Ownership Transition

 59% of company leaders anticipate or are considering transitioning out of their current positions within the next 5 years

- Next Generation Manufacturing Study, 2011

 "65% to 75% of all small businesses will go up for sale in the next 5 to 10 years. Why? Retiring baby boomers."

- Inc Magazine





Reality Check:

Family-business transition success rates

- 2nd generation success 30%
- 3rd generation success 13%
- 4th generation success 3%

Selling your businesses is no better...

- 20% of business get sold to outside buyers that want to be sold
- The Future: Baby-boomer business glut will probably depress sales prices

Liquidation – 35-40% will use as Transition Exit





Why Business Transitions Fail

Most transitions fail because of...

- Insufficient planning horizon (time)
- Inadequate personal & financial planning
- Lack of successor leadership team preparation
- Mismanaged family communications and values





Studies bear this out

- 64% No exit/succession plan
- 63% No financial exit plan
- 62% Never had a business valuation
- 31% No estate plan beyond a will
- 30% No plans to retire, *Effectively* "Dying in the chair"
- 48% Family-owned businesses collapse after the founder's death.





Successful Exits Require Planning

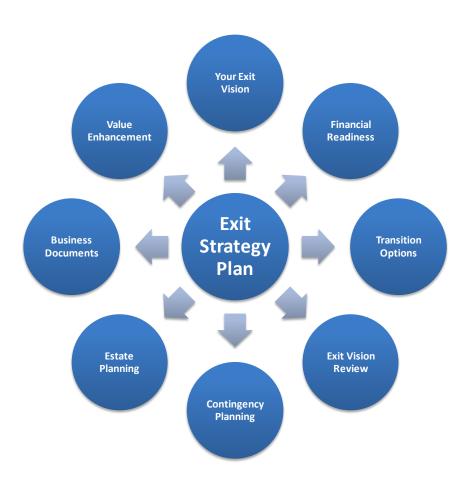
Business Transition Planning is a Process ...It's not an event that occurs one day.

- Self-discovery
- Planning
- Preparation
- Execution





Exit Strategy Development



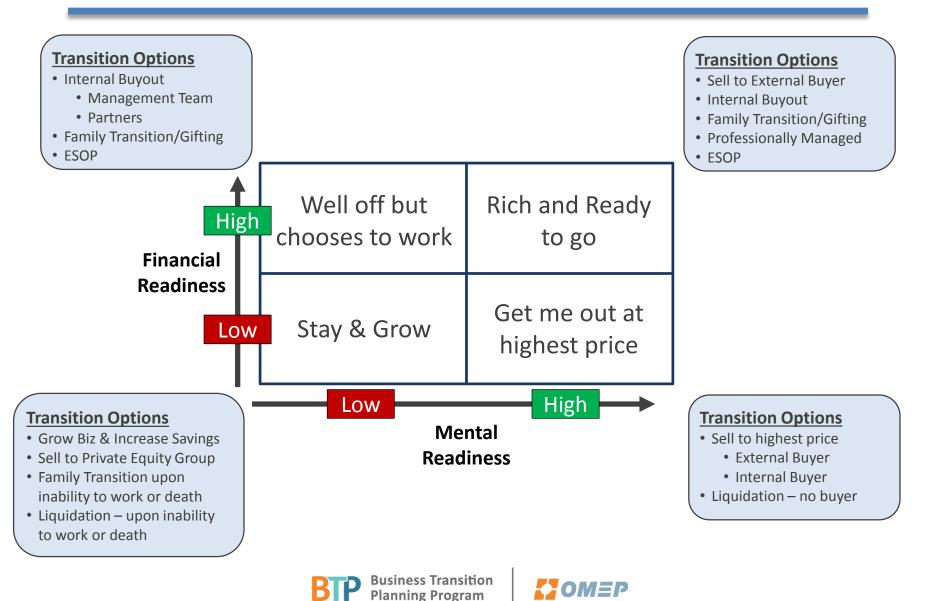
- Exit Vision & Timing
- Financial Readiness/ Business
 Value
- Best Transition Options
- Exit Vision Review
- Contingency Plans
- Estate Planning
- Business & Personal Document Alignment
- Value/Business Enhancement





Exit Quadrant Chart

Adapted from Exiting your Business, Protecting your Wealth, by John Leonetti



Readiness & Timing Dictate Options

Transition Options

Internal	External	Other
Family Transfer/Sale	Individual Buyer	Liquidation
Shareholder Sale	 Strategic Buyer 	
 Management Buyout 	 Financial Buyer 	
ESOP	Investor Group	
≈ 30-40%	≈ 20-25%	≈ 35-40%





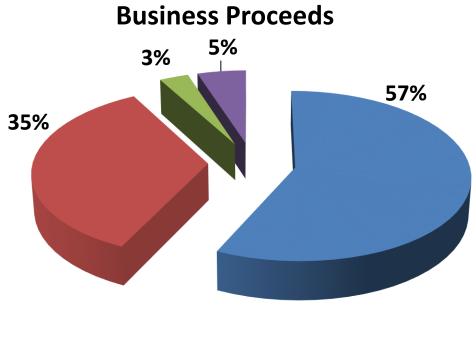
Ownership Transfer Characteristics

Internal Ownership Transfer	External Ownership Transfer
 Buyer(s) have NO MONEY 	 Buyers bring cash/financing
 You finance buyout over 5-10 years 	 Get paid immediately
 Increased risk - possible loan default 	 No/low risk of default
 Low business value preferred 	 High business value preferred
 Lower taxes and fees paid 	 Highest taxes and fees paid
 Transition exit can be gradual 	 Transition exit is immediately
Maintain involvement & control longer	No future involvement or control
 Culture & methods maintained 	 Culture/methods will change
 Buyer(s) successors are known 	 Buyer is stranger/competitor
 You can determine your successor 	 New owners - new leadership
Weak Leaders – BUSINESS WILL FAIL	Weak Leaders – NO SALE





Sales Proceeds – What you keep



Net ProceedsTransaction costsIntermediary

- Income Taxes Biggest amount goes to Uncle Sam;
 - Stock v. Asset Sale.
 - Best the seller can hope for is for capital gains on the sale of the business.
 - Combining the Feds and Oregon your rate is close to 35%.
 - Depreciation or ordinary income purchase price allocation may push the rate up.
 - Purchase price allocation important tax implications.
 - C-Corporation entities are bad; some planning strategies exist.
- Intermediary costs or success fees rate from 3 to 7% of the selling price depending on the circumstances.
- Other transactional costs consist of legal, closing and other costs.





Create a "Turn-key Business"

Can your business run without your leadership? The bigger question is... Are you willing to let others lead?

Turn-key businesses are...

- Easier to sell, bring higher values
- Provide successor leadership a roadmap for success
- Answers the key question can the successor lead?







Contingency Plan

If you suddenly die or become incapacitated:

- Will your family continue to have an income?
- Who is capable of running the business?
- Who has the key customer, supplier, and bank relationships?
- Will key leadership and employees leave?

HAVE YOU TOLD ANYBODY YOU HAVE A PLAN?





Estate Planning

Tax efficiently directing your assets to your heirs

- Your Estate Tax Liability Uncle Sam is waiting
- Federal Exemption \$5.2 mil both you & spouse
- OR state Exemption \$1.0 mil each / rate 10 16%
- Will your estate have the cash to pay in 9 months
- Tax liability impact to the business, will it survive?





Business Documents

Align your personal and business documents to support your exit strategy

- Business entity structure, C-corp, S-corp, LLC, etc
- Buy-sell or Operating Agreement language
- Estate Planning, wills, trusts, gifting plan, insurance
- Property ownership structure





Value/Business Enhancement

Drive business changes that close your personal WEALTH GAP

- Top line Sales growth
- Operational improvements
- Investments in business
- Leadership development

Identify targeted actions to be taken





Succession Planning – Build Bench Strength

Quality leadership adds to business value & increases your ability to sell the business

- Start early & get the right people on the bus!
- Identify successor skills & competency needs
- Develop OJT learning opportunities with clear roles, responsibilities and outcomes

Let them lead, let the succeed and let them fail – THIS IS HOW YOU LEARNED





You need an Advisory Team

Business Advisor Team The Experts You May Need and Their Roles Valuation Intermediate Roles CPA Attorney Professional /Broker Consultant Other **Business Transition Advisor/Family Business Advisor** х **Executive Coach** х Successor Leadership Coach Family Counseling - Broken/Stressed Family Unit X **Estate Planning** х х х х **External & Internal Transfer Options Analysis** х x **Contingency Planning & Insurance Use** х х **Insurance Broker Business Value Enhancement** x х X **Financial Planning/Wealth Management Financial Planner Advisory Board Members** х х **External Selling Process:** NDA - Non-disclosure Agreement х **Buyer Identification** х Negotiation x х LOI - Letter of Intent **Transaction Structure** x Tax Issues and Strategies - Max. Seller's Proceeds х Sale Document Generation х х Special thanks to Mr. Tom Napier, Napier Business Advisors, for his help developing this information. Mr. Napier provides business valuation, intermediate services for selling businesses, and general business consulting. www.bus-valu.com, (503) 670-8286 **Business Transition** David Looper, Consultant COMEP Planning Program Cell: (503) 804-5412 Email: dlooper@omep.org





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