





If time flies when you're having fun, then I have clearly enjoyed what I've been doing for the last four years. As elected representatives, we are constantly looking for improvements that can be made to municipal services and infrastructure to better meet the needs of residents. Our main challenge is to find the right balance between the city's development and the preservation of the features that make Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot so unique. Far from simply providing good municipal services, the municipal councillors and I are seeking to improve the quality of life that is so dear to us and strengthen residents' sense of belonging to our city.

At the end of this term, we are proud of the work accomplished. We have been transparent in the management of all files and have advanced innovative initiatives such as *Tellement beau* and *#jachetetellementlocal*. Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot has so much to offer its residents and visitors and, with your trust, we will continue to showcase our attractions and organizations. Personally, and on behalf of the municipal councillors, I thank you for your support over the past four years.



# Living in NDIP

Fall is a wonderful season in Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot. To take full advantage of it, the municipal council invites you to mark your calendar for Culture Days (September 29 to October 1) and the Halloween Party (October 31), with the scary handing out of candies in Des Éperviers Park and Des Mésanges Park. The river shuttle between Notre-Dame and Beauharnois will make its last crossing of the season on October 1. It is a unique opportunity to see the beautiful scenery of the river and Lake Saint-Louis.

If you have any more ideas for improving the quality of life in Notre-Dame, write to the mayor at ddeschenes@ndip.org or visit her Facebook page, facebook.com/MairesseDanieDeschenes/



### Did You Know...

Your mayor, Danie Deschênes, is a finalist for the Elsie-Gibbons Award, to be presented by the Fédération québécoise des municipalités at its convention on September 28, 2017. Created in honour of Elsie Gibbons, Quebec's first woman mayor, this award is presented to a female elected representative whose commitment has helped to maintain or advance the status women in Quebec society and the world of municipal politics.

## The City

#### **One-stop Centre Evening Hours**

A first in Vaudreuil-Soulanges, residents of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot can now call the Guichet unique (one-stop centre) or visit it in the Marie-Uguay Library on Tuesday and Thursday evenings until 8:30 p.m. to get information on municipal services, pay taxes, or submit or pick up documents. With the extended hours of the one-stop centre, you no longer need to juggle your schedule to access the wide range of services provided by the City.

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# Shoreline **Development**

In spring 2017, many lots were eroded by the flooding in Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot, and the affected owners rightly wish to repair the damage and implement safeguards to prevent future erosion. Therefore, in September the City held two information sessions on good shoreline management practices. The municipal council wanted to give waterfront residents the facts on recent government directions with respect to waterfront development. In the future, stabilization measures must focus on vegetation or on mixed techniques of rockfill and vegetation. In addition, a collective or sectoral approach must be taken to address shoreline erosion more effectively. By working together, neighbours in each sector may be able to accomplish work that is far more effective than the sum of individual efforts.

The municipal council is therefore asking waterfront residents to talk to each other and then contact the City to obtain guidance for a shoreline stabilization project that will prevent the future erosion of their land while respecting government directions.

In addition, the City will set up a special monthly newsletter to provide waterfront residents with the latest information on this issue. In that regard, waterfront residents who did not attend the information sessions can sign up for the newsletter by emailing guichetunique@ndip.org.

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## **Embankment Stabilization**

Simone-De Beauvoir Street and 150° Avenue

Embankment stabilization work in the Simone-De Beauvoir and 150e Avenue areas will be carried out this winter, from December 15 to March 15. Rockfilling at the base of the embankment will eliminate the risk of highly retrogressive landslides, according to an assessment by the Quebec Ministère de la Sécurité publique. In November, access roads will be built, and the City would like to thank the owners of the land identified by the Ministère for their invaluable co-operation in this matter. The access roads will make it possible to move equipment and to transport to the water's edge the large amount of rocks planned under the project. It is estimated that more than 4,000 truck loads will be required. The City is doing everything it can to limit as much as possible the inconvenience to residents in the area, for example by opting for winter construction. However, one must be realistic: Work of this magnitude will inevitably cause inconvenience, fortunately temporary, and the City thanks all residents in advance for their understanding.

## **Green** Thumb

**Organic Waste Collection in 2018** 

Major changes to organic waste management are coming in 2018. In co-operation with its neighbouring cities, the City of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot will be setting up city-wide, door-to-door yard and food waste collection. From April to November, yard waste in paper bags or open bins will be picked up every two weeks. This regular waste collection will make it possible to pick up leaves and other yard waste in the spring and fall, and garden waste and grass clippings in the summer. Food waste will be picked up each week starting in October 2018, using 45 litre bins that the City will provide.

The municipal council is pleased that our region is working hard to implement organic waste collection. The goal is, of course, to meet government objectives for waste reduction and reduce the city's landfill costs. This initiative will necessarily involve a change in the way people think about recycling.

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