

October 2019 edition

What's new @ NDIP



Notre-Dame-
de-l'Île-Perrot

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



As a municipal government, quality of life is at the heart of every decision we make. This generally well understood and accepted concept is not so simple to apply, since one's view of the concrete manifestation of that quality of life varies from one citizen to another. For some, it translates into direct assistance from elected officials and city staff in the difficult SIZ file, while for others, it involves the installation of speed bumps to reduce the speed of drivers on their streets, or the cleanliness of parks and the variety of recreational programming. For council members and myself, the quality of life is the sum of all the projects, large or small, that we carry out to meet the needs and expectations of NDIP residents. The quality of life in NDIP consists of quality municipal infrastructures, the homework club at the library, our beautiful landscaping, the ban on commercial door-to-door sales, and the peacefulness of our neighbourhoods. It also consists of the safety of residents and the security of property, and collaborative agreements with our neighbours to improve fire safety across our municipality. The quality of life is also a vibrant community and cultural life close to home, the varied programming of outdoor performances at Des Éperviers Park, the Orchestre Métropolitain concert and the S.O.U.P.E. Festival at Pointe-du-Moulin, and the river shuttles at Brideloup wharf. The quality of life is also the revitalization of neighbourhoods such as the village core and the Sainte-Jeanne-de-Chantal heritage site, the City's constant efforts to obtain government approvals to finally build a boat ramp and the close collaboration with our Tellement beau partners to promote Notre-Dame regionally.

The quality of life, however, is a feeling that can easily change. Despite all the efforts of Council and municipal employees to make Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot a great place to live, it only takes neighbours who drive too fast on neighbourhood streets, a lawn mower started too early on a Saturday morning, and non-compliance with simple social rules to prevent everyone from enjoying the quality of life to which we are all entitled. The quality of life in Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot is everyone's responsibility. Let's all give it some thought!

LIFE IN NDIP

Citizen consultation on the future of the old Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde gym

On October 1, the City held a citizen consultation on the future of the old Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde gym located at the entrance to the village core near the Sainte-Jeanne-de-Chantal church. This building is currently vacant and looking for new uses. After presenting the plans to renovate the gymnasium and redevelop adjacent lands, the City invited citizens to comment on future uses for this magnificent site. Council would like to thank everyone who attended the evening. This consultation was a key step in the extensive project to revitalize the heritage site with the invaluable collaboration of the Fondation du patrimoine Sainte-Jeanne-de-Chantal and the Sainte-Jeanne-de-Chantal parish council.

HOT TOPIC 1

News about snow removal in NDIP

Last winter, the City had to intervene several times with the snow removal contractor to correct the situation in certain areas. Based on our experiences in 2018-2019, the City took advantage of the renewal of the snow removal contract to require changes to better meet residents' expectations. Consequently, in winter 2019-2020, the contractor will assign more snow removal equipment to our municipality during each snowfall and pay particular attention to the width of cleared roads.

On another note, residents will be able to monitor the progress of snow removal operations in Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot in real time through access to an online app. The link to this online tool will be added to the City's website in the coming weeks.

As in previous years, from November 15 to April 1, overnight street parking will be prohibited in Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot from 12 a.m. to 7 a.m., only when snow removal activities are anticipated due to weather forecasts. The City will announce the suspension of overnight parking before 4:30 p.m. when snowfalls are expected. It is very important to comply with the parking ban to facilitate the movement of snow removal vehicles and to ensure the safety of all road users during snowfalls. Citizens are also encouraged to avoid parking on the street during the day whenever possible during snow removal operations, for example, while waiting for their private snow removal operator. The presence of cars greatly hinders the snow removal teams' work. The City is relying on everyone's cooperation. Residents will be able to obtain information about overnight parking bans via automated message at 514-453-4128, option 5, and on the city's website and Facebook page.

AT THE CITY

Council is pleased to announce the hiring of Guillaume Laforest as Financial Services Director and Treasurer. Guillaume is a chartered professional accountant and chartered accountant with 13 years of experience in private sector management, budget management and auditing. We are very pleased to welcome him to the City's management team.

DID YOU KNOW...

With financial support from the City of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot and other partners, the Société d'histoire et de généalogie de l'île Perrot (SHGIP) now offers the general public access to more than 10,000 historical documents on its website www.histoireperrot.org, under the tab "Fonds d'archives".

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HOT TOPIC 2

Ban on commercial door-to-door soliciting in NDIP

On September 5, 2019, the municipal council passed a by-law related to door-to-door salespersons and solicitors. Under the terms of the by-law, companies or businesses are now prohibited from engaging in commercial door-to-door sales within the city. Council made this bold decision because we believe that this practice no longer has a place in the age of social media. Constantly solicited by advertisements, NDIP residents are entitled to choose not to be disturbed once they return to the peace and quiet of their home. To make people aware of the by-law, the City has produced a sticker, which is enclosed with this mailing. Residents are encouraged to post it so that it is clearly visible from the street.

It is important to note that the by-law does not apply to youth who go door-to-door for fundraising activities or to religious groups, in accordance with the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. However, they must apply for a permit from the City and respect the authorized hours. If you have any questions regarding the by-law on door-to-door soliciting in NDIP, please contact the Guichet unique.

GREEN THUMB

Fall leaf collection: A local solution!

This year, the City of NDIP has found a local solution to manage fall leaf collection. Unlike previous years, when the leaf trucks had to travel hundreds of kilometres to the composting site, in 2019 the leaves will remain in Notre-Dame thanks to an agreement with Quinn Farm. For the City of NDIP, this is a greener solution as it will result in a significant reduction in greenhouse gases due to the transportation of leaves. This solution is also very cost-effective as collection will be handled by city staff.

Council would like to thank the owners of Quinn Farm for agreeing to receive and compost the leaves collected in our fall green waste collections and remind residents that leaves must be placed in paper bags or reusable containers. No plastic bags will be collected.

SUBSCRIBE TO E-NEWSLETTER

Almost 2500 NDIP residents are now subscribers to the Moulin à paroles e-newsletter and taking advantage of this fast, ecologically friendly and economical method of communication that allows the municipality to considerably reduce the costs associated with our various printed publications.

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