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Architectural Competition for Vaudreuil-Dorion Municipal Hub: Winner Selected by the Jury is a Multidisciplinary Team led by Architects Lapointe Magne et associés / L'OEUF

Vaudreuil-Dorion, September 25, 2019 – The City of Vaudreuil-Dorion is pleased to announce the winner of the architectural competition for its future Municipal Hub, which will be made up of City Hall, the library, and a public square. An aquatics complex is planned for the second phase. It was the multidisciplinary team led by Lapointe Magne et associés / L'OEUF that drew the attention of the jury which met on September 9 and 10. Both a Technical Committee and a Citizen's Committee had previously submitted their observations to the jury.

The multidisciplinary team features architectural firms Lapointe Magne et associés and L'OEUF, by Dupras-Ledoux - a consulting engineering firm specializing in electrical and mechanical engineering for the construction industry, Équipe Laurence – a firm specializing in civil engineering, and landscape architecture firm NIP Paysage Inc.

"The Municipal Hub is most certainly one of the more significant projects for the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion, after the one involving the upgrade to the water treatment and filtration plants. I have no doubt that the Municipal Hub will become a meeting place that will truly attest to the vitality of our City. I wish to thank the City employees who served on the Technical Committee, the members of the Citizens' Committee, and of course the members of the jury. Congratulations to the winning team for their incredible work. We look forward to 2022 with a great deal of enthusiasm!" said Mayor Guy Pilon.

The architectural competition was launched on April 8, 2019 and is part of an effort to promote the quality of architecture. It took place under the supervision of the professional consultant Philippe Drolet, architect. Of the 20 applications received, 4 finalists were selected on June 12. The team led by architects Lapointe Magne et associés / L'OEUF was the one that stood out among the other finalists:

- Architecture EVOQ Inc.
- Provencher Roy
- Zaraté Lavigne - White

Marie-Chantal Croft, Architect and Jury Chairperson, describes the project in these words: "The winning project, a showcase for the cultural and civic values of the City, is distinguished by its openness to the community. Through the expert integration of the city hall's services with those of the library, and by taking the future Aquatics Complex into account ahead of time, the project

is a true representation of the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion's desire to create a Municipal Hub. A public space and a green park will serve to bring both services together into a structured whole. The project is both sensible and generous at the same time. Sensible in terms of the methods used, which promote sustainable development, and because of its structure made from wood. Generous because of its varied landscaping and architectural offerings designed on a human scale. It will be an inviting and welcoming place where citizens can foster a sense of belonging and feel at home. It will be an ideal place to get together."

"The architectural expression focuses on brightness and simple elements to serve as an ideal platform for the citizen activities that will take place in the public space. An impressive, luminous indoor capacity awaits inside, built away from the ground, and architecturally enhanced by huge, exposed beams made from engineered wood. The space is a true reflection of the City, a gathering place that will always remain in our individual and collective memories", commented Frédéric Dubé, Architect - Lapointe Magne et associés.

The Municipal Hub will be located on Lot 4,559,873, on Émile-Bouchard Street, close to the Centre Multisports and the Vaudreuil railway station. This major project will benefit from a construction budget of \$25 million. A grant exceeding \$4.8 million has already been awarded by the governments of Québec and Canada for the construction of the new library. This funding comes from the new Building Canada Fund – Quebec, under the Provincial/Territorial Base Fund. The work is expected to be completed in 2022.

The projects submitted by all the finalists, including the winner of the architectural competition, will be on display at the public library from Friday afternoon, September 27, until October 4. Citizens will also be able to consult the projects on the City's website by clicking on The City/ Urban Planning/Municipal Hub.