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## The City of Vaudreuil-Dorion to begin negotiations for the acquisition of the Cité-des-Jeunes arena

**Vaudreuil-Dorion, June 20, 2023 –** Yesterday evening, through means of a resolution, City Council authorized the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion to start the process towards the acquisition of the Cité-des-Jeunes arena located at 2,580 chemin Paul-Gérin-Lajoie. This potential acquisition is conditional on the signing of an agreement between the Cities of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot and Pincourt, as well as the Municipality of Terrasse-Vaudreuil, who, together, would be responsible for the operation of the arena for the next five years.

The Municipalities of Île Perrot have wanted to build an arena on their territory for several years to meet the needs of their population, but their efforts to obtain grants to carry out the project have been unsuccessful so far. The Cité-des-Jeunes arena is currently the main infrastructure used by residents of the island for their recreational and sports activities. Since the Municipal competence Act does not allow a city to acquire an immovable property in another municipality, with some exceptions, the acquisition of this arena by the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion would allow the Cities of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot and Pincourt, as well as the Municipality of Terrasse-Vaudreuil to operate the arena and continue to provide ice time to their citizens and organizations.

"The two ice rinks in our municipal arena are barely enough to meet the demands of our residents and associations. The Cité-des-Jeunes arena supplements the service offering and provides a way for the population of neighbouring municipalities to serve the needs of their population", said Mayor Guy Pilon. "The three cities on Île Perrot are ready to take over the operation of the arena for the next five years. The City of Vaudreuil-Dorion will therefore begin negotiations with the owner."

The Cité-des-Jeunes arena is located on the campus of the same name, next to the indoor pool and the artificial turf football field. The intermunicipal agreement specifies that organizations recognized by the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion will be able to benefit from the same rental rate charged to the municipalities of Île Perrot.