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Revision of the Urban Planning Program: Preserving the Quality of Life in Dollard-des-Ormeaux

First Public Consultation Meeting for the revision of the Urban Planning Program and the Zoning By-law

Dollard-des-Ormeaux, January 29, 2025 — The City of Dollard-des-Ormeaux met with about thirty participants during various consultation activities held on January 28, 2025, thereby launching the final revision process for the Urban Planning Program and the Zoning By-law.

The public consultation meeting provided an opportunity to answer questions from Dollard-des-Ormeaux residents and to explain the principles that guided the drafting of the by-laws. Citizens were also able to meet the urban planning professionals at an open house session held a few hours earlier.

A second consultation meeting is scheduled for February 18. It is also possible to send <u>written comments</u> to the City of Dollard-des-Ormeaux until that date. Please note that the City's consultation process goes beyond the requirements of the law by organizing two official public meetings to provide sufficient time for you to share your thoughts.

Moving towards an Urban Planning Program and a Zoning By-law that reflect Dollard-des-Ormeaux's vision

The final adoption of the Urban Planning Program and the Zoning By-law is scheduled for Spring 2025. This adoption will be the result of nearly five years of public participation activities, during which more than 1,300 people took part.

Unchanged for more than 40 years, the Master Plan and Zoning By-law are being revised to preserve 95% of the current territory and to set out guidelines for the reasonable redevelopment along the main boulevards. This approach reflects the needs of the community:

- Preserving the Marché de l'Ouest site as is, with a requirement that residents be involved in approving any future development of the site;
- Reducing allowable densities and heights for potential development sites, a request made by residents in April 2024, to promote mixed-use developments and human-scale planning.

"I am immensely proud of our community and appreciate its active participation and valuable input during the public consultation process over the past five years. Together, we are shaping a shared vision for our future that reflects our collective needs, wishes and reality." – Alex Bottausci, Mayor of Dollard-des-Ormeaux

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