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## **Preserving the Quality of Life in Dollard-des-Ormeaux**

Launch of public consultations for the adoption of an Urban Planning Program adapted to our reality

**Dollard-des-Ormeaux, November 12, 2024** — The City of Dollard-des-Ormeaux is launching a public consultation process to gather citizens' comments following the adoption of a draft for its first Urban Planning Program (UPP). The objective of these consultations is to finalize and adopt the UPP, a planning tool necessary to support effective land-use management.

### **Preserving the territory of Dollard-des-Ormeaux**

The UPP has not been updated in over 40 years, especially since this regulatory framework is currently under the authority of the City of Montreal.

In practical terms, this regulatory overhaul preserves 95% of the current territory as is, an orientation that will maintain the appeal and quality of life of Dollard-des-Ormeaux. It also enables reasonable redevelopment along main boulevards, informed by feedback gathered during consultations, including:

- Preserving the Marché de l'Ouest site as is, and any future development of the site would have to be approved by the residents;
- Reducing allowable densities and heights for potential development sites compared with the City's initial proposal.

The voice of the citizens of Dollard-des-Ormeaux has been heard on numerous occasions thanks to the process led by the City since 2020. Nearly 1,300 participants have taken part in the various consultation activities, in addition to receiving more than 320 comments, submissions and survey forms, which have been analyzed by the City.

### **A two-step process to listen to the community**

A consultation period on the proposed revision will begin in January 2025. While the format and dates of these activities are still to be determined, the City wishes to inform its community now to inform residents and answer their questions. The City of Dollard-des-Ormeaux plans to deploy various communication methods to reach residents where they are, to ensure that those who wish to express their views can do so, notably through the Dollard-des-Ormeaux's physical and digital platforms, and public engagement and information activities.



**Quote**

"Adopting our own Urban Planning Program will be a first for our city. It is necessary so that our urban planning is controlled by our city and reflect the best interests of our residents, and not those of Montreal. We are listening to our citizens and adapting the urban plan to our reality. It is essential to maintain the quality of life that residents of Dollard-des-Ormeaux expect."

– Alex Bottausci, Mayor of Dollard-des-Ormeaux

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