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Vaudreuil-Dorion Operations During the Holidays

Vaudreuil-Dorion, December 18, 2020 – As the Holidays approach, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion wishes to inform its citizens of the services and activities that will be taking place during this period.

COVID 19: Closure of municipal buildings

All administrative offices will be closed to the public until January 10 inclusively, in compliance with the latest measures announced by the Quebec government in the context of the pandemic. Outside of the Holiday Season, up until December 23 and beginning again on January 4, employees will be working remotely, continuing to provide the usual services to citizens. At all times, use of remote services is preferable, including the phone, email or online. Online services are easily accessible from the home page of the City's website using the drop-down menu (Services to residents / Online Services).

Holiday schedule

Administrative offices will be closed from December 24 to January 3 inclusively. Citizens are invited to dial 3-1-1 for requests requiring municipal intervention. Please note that the administrators of the City's Facebook page will also be taking a break for the Holidays.

The library will continue to provide pickup services except on December 24, 25, 26 and 31, as well as January 1 and 2. Remember that documents (books, DVDs, CDs, board games, etc.) must be reserved online using the library's catalogue or by phone at 450-455-3371, option 6.

Expired citizen's cards

Residents whose citizen's card expires during the holiday season or early January will automatically have it renewed until January 31. It will be important, however, to ensure renewal when the Recreation and Culture Department offices open for business again on January 11th.

Collection services

Food waste and garbage collection will take place according to the regular schedule. However, the recycling collection scheduled for Friday, December 25 and January 1 for Zones 1, 2, 3 and 4 will take place on Thursday, December 24 and 31 because of Christmas and New Year's Day.

A special cardboard collection will be held on Tuesday, January 5 for Zone 5 and Friday, January 8 for Zones 1, 2, 3 and 4. The cardboard bundles must be tied using a rope or adhesive tape, or stacked in a cardboard box, and placed next to the rolling bin.

Christmas trees will be collected between January 4 and 18, 2021. Trees must be placed on the curbside by January 4. They can also be brought to Parc de la Maison-Valois or to the municipal garage on one of the dates mentioned.

Ecocentre

The Ecocentre is open Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with the exception of December 25 and 26 and January 1 and 2. Note that Christmas lights are accepted, but not structures depicting characters, wreaths or other Christmas decorations. Additionally, polystyrene (styrofoam and plastic No. 6) from packaging can also be brought to the Ecocentre, which is located at 2800 Henry-Ford Street.

Swimming, skating and free activities in the gym

The holiday schedule is available on the City's website. It is important to reserve your place using the registration platform for each of these activities. Timeslots have been added to the arena's and the pool's schedules to meet with demand.

Outdoor skates and ice rings

The condition of the skating rinks always depends on weather conditions. City teams are doing everything they can to make them optimal as soon as possible.

This year, current government measures do not allow trailers to be opened. Only the three chalets, located in Parc de la Maison-Valois, Parc de Bel-Air and Briand, along with Pavillon Normand-Desjardins in Parc de Dorion-Gardens will be accessible to a limited number of citizens. To find out where the skating rinks are, please consult the interactive map on the website.

New: Equipment lending in certain parks

As soon as the weather conditions allow for outdoor activities, and starting on December 23, different types of equipment will be available for lending in four of the City's parks, upon presentation of the Citizen's card:

- Parc de la Maison-Valois: skates, skating trainers, snowshoes and snow play accessories
- Parc de Dorion-Gardens: skating trainers, snowshoes and snow play accessories
- Parc de Bel-Air and Briand: skating trainers and snow play accessories

The schedule for equipment rental is displayed at the entrance to the chalets. Fireplaces will also be set up on the sites to allow families to warm up.

To find out if specific equipment is available or whether the rinks are fit for skating, citizens are invited to call 450 455-3371, option 4. A message will be updated regularly to keep callers informed.

Lumin'Art

The Lumin'Art art exhibition, located in the park at 405 Saint-Charles, will be extended until January 10, 2021. People are invited to come admire the giant illuminated Christmas balls created by artists Lucie Bisson, Monika Brinkman, Diane Collet, Philippe Corriveau, Annouchka Gravel Galouchko, Luzon, John McRae, Deirdre Potash, Lundi Radieux and Tina Struthers. Every evening, visits are accompanied by Christmas music from the late André Gagnon. Nearby parking is available at parc Paul-Gérin-Lajoie Park or Campus de la Cité-des-Jeunes.

Winter parking hotline and alternate parking

Although on-street parking at night is prohibited from November 15 to April 1, a winter parking hotline (450-455-3372) has been in operation for a few years to ease regulations and align with weather conditions. Consequently, every day, starting at 5 p.m., a telephone message is updated to indicate whether or not parking is allowed on the street from midnight that evening. Where there is a sign prohibiting parking, the latter takes precedence over the telephone message. When the parking ban is in force, vehicles may be parked in one of the following parking lots:

- 1750 Émile-Bouchard Road (new gravel parking lot behind the Centre Multisports)
- Arena and municipal library
- Jean-Marc-Ducharme Community Centre
- Parc de Bel-Air
- Parc de Dorion-Gardens
- Parc de la Maison-Valois
- Parc de la Montée Cadieux
- Parc Esther-Blondin
- Parc Félix-Leclerc
- Parc Lorne-Worseley
- Parc Paul-Gérin-Lajoie
- Parc Trudeau
- De la Fabrique Parking