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Participatory Budget: Three citizen projects submitted for a public vote

Vaudreuil-Dorion, Novembre 22, 2022 – From November 22nd to December 5th, citizens of Vaudreuil-Dorion are invited to vote for their favourite project, as part of the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion's second participatory budget. This is a unique opportunity to participate in the collective well-being of the community.

Three projects were selected from the ten proposals received since the launch of this second edition in September 2022. The projects were reviewed by a coordination committee made up of representatives from the Communications Department, Finance and Treasury, Recreation and Culture, Urban Development, the Engineering and Environment Division, as well as an elected municipal official. The City has \$100,000 at its disposal to carry out the project that will receive the highest number of votes.

Project descriptions

Disc Golf Course at Harwood Nature Park

Disc Golf has become increasingly popular in recent years, and appeals to people of all ages. The sport makes for a fun outing with friends, family members, and coworkers and is a great outdoor activity for school outings. Disc golf is played like traditional golf but uses specialized frisbee-like "discs". Instead of hitting the ball into a hole, players attempt to land the disc into a raised basket with as few throws as possible. A disc golf facility at Harwood Nature Park would be just small and discreet enough to avoid taking up all the space, but large enough to make for some enjoyable moments spent outdoors.

Corresponds to the Bouger segment of the Strategic Plan 2020-2025 entitled *Habité par ma ville*.

Submitted by Jean-Pierre Thibaudeau

Library of objects at the municipal library

A library of objects would allow library users to borrow a wide range of tools and equipment that are rarely used, difficult to store or expensive to purchase given the number of times they would be used. Items to borrow could include a sewing machine, an electric drill, an axe, a slow cooker, camping or fishing gear, bird watching equipment, etc. The goal is to provide access to as many resources as possible while reducing overconsumption and cutting down on single-use purchases, all of which would help reduce our individual environmental footprint. The concept goes beyond the loan of objects and can produce a decline with everything that is shared.

Since wo projects of the same type were received, it was suggested that the two citizens join together to share their proposals.

Submitted by Karine La Flèche and Stéphanie Dornenberg

Training modules at Parc Paul-Gérin-Lajoie

Installing training modules with fixed bars close to the water, near the skateboard park and volleyball courts. Resistance training using body weight consists of performing functional strength exercises using minimal equipment. The addition of fixed bars to the existing facilities in our parks would enhance the usefulness of our shared spaces while encouraging the population to develop healthy lifestyles.

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Submitted by Olivier Charbonneau

To submit a vote, you must:

- Be a citizen of Vaudreuil-Dorion;
- Be 16 years of age or older;
- Complete the online form;
- Only vote once;
- Provide information and an email address that are valid.

Also...

- Each person living at the same address can vote as long as they have a separate email address.
- Any duplicate votes will be eliminated.
- The City may cancel a vote that does not comply with regulations.

Citizens can now cast their vote by visiting the City's website and clicking on the Information / Citizen Participation section. The winning project chosen by citizens will be unveiled on December 8th, 2022 on the City's Facebook page and website. This initiative corresponds to the goal *Susciter la participation de tous au mieux-être collectif* and is part of the Strategic Plan 2020-2025 entitled *Habité par ma ville*.