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LAWSUIT AGAINST SAINTE-ANNE-DE-BELLEVUE THE CITY TAKES NOTE OF THE ACCUSATIONS AND CONFIRMS ITS RESPECT OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES

SAINTE-ANNE-DE-BELLEVUE, July 7, 2017 – The city of Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue takes note of the 35 million dollar lawsuit filed with the Superior Court of Quebec by a group of entrepreneurs (DISAB) following the adoption of the Special Planning Program (SPP) of last June.

“It comes as no surprise to us that the DISAB entrepreneurs have decided to resort to the courts, considering their recent campaign conveying inaccurate and incomplete information about the North Sector’s development project. We have deployed our work in an open and transparent manner throughout this exercise, placing the utmost importance in the consultation process, which resulted in the adoption of the SPP for the North Sector last June. All of our decisions have been made in light of rigorous studies carried out by independent expert firms with the citizens of Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue’s best interests in mind,” said Paola Hawa, Saint-Anne-de-Bellevue’s Mayor.

The City Council recalls that the city of Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue has respected in all regards the current laws and regulations in each of the steps leading to the adoption of the SPP for the North Sector, and added that it has followed the guidelines as stated in the planning and development policy for Greater Montréal. The Council reiterates having full legitimacy to carry out this project, and, contrary to the promoters claims, real estate development in the North Sector is allowed.

“In contrast to the financial interests of promoters involved in the DISAB group, the actions we take and decisions we make are always guided by the citizens of Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue’s common well-being, their quality of life and the city’s financial health,” concluded Mayor Hawa.

Over the coming days, the lawsuit filed by the DISAB with the Superior Court of Quebec will be given particular attention from the City and its attorneys. Considering the judicialization of this matter, and in order to ensure unhindered proceedings, the city of Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue will from now on refrain from further comments concerning the legal aspects of the Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue’s North Sector development project until the court’s final ruling.

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