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Royal Victoria Hospital Adaptive Reuse Project.

With this newsletter, the Société québécoise des infrastructures (SQI) wishes to share the latest news and upcoming steps in the former Royal Victoria Hospital adaptive reuse project.

SQI takes ownership of former Royal Victoria Hospital site on Mont Royal

The plan to repurpose the former Royal Victoria Hospital (RVH) site took a big step forward several days ago when titles to the entire site were transferred to SQI. The transfer of ownership from the McGill University Health Centre (MUHC) marks an important milestone that enables SQI to pursue its repurposing work.

Collaboration agreement for archaeological work

The Kanien'keha:ka Kahnistensera (Mohawk Mothers), SQI and McGill University have signed an agreement to end the injunction proceedings that had halted repurposing of the former Royal Victoria Hospital site.

The agreement provides for continued collaboration between Kanien’keha:ka Kahnistensera, SQI and McGill in order to investigate allegations that there may be unmarked graves on the site of the former hospital.

As part of this joint effort, a panel of expert archaeologists will be appointed to examine the site and determine the appropriate techniques to be used for the archaeological work that will take place before excavation resumes at the site. The panel will be accompanied by an archaeology student selected by the Kanien'keha:ka Kahnistensera. In addition, appropriate cultural measures, such as having cultural monitors on site during the

archaeological work, will be implemented to ensure that the project is culturally acceptable to Indigenous communities.

The agreement is in line with the recommendations issued in May 2022 by Office de consultation publique de Montréal (OCPM.

SQI is very pleased to announce this agreement, which will shed light on the allegations of unmarked graves. The agreement will also allow work to continue to develop this exceptional site by repurposing its buildings and contributing to new green space on Mont Royal.

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