



THE CANADIAN CANOE MUSEUM
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News Release

Canadian Canoe Museum announces purchase of Johnson Property *Marks significant milestone in advancing new museum build*

PETERBOROUGH, ON, JAN. 29, 2021 – The Canadian Canoe Museum (CCM) and the City of Peterborough announced today the conditional purchase and sale of Johnson Property, the City-owned land at 2077 Ashburnham Drive in Peterborough, ON.

City Council approved the direction to proceed with the sale of the land on Monday subject to a number of conditions including rezoning. Project validation and confirmation of site appropriateness are among the additional conditions that must be met to close the deal. CCM will pay \$1.575M for the five acres of land in a transaction expected to be completed by the summer.

CCM intends to sell its current property at 910 Monaghan Road to help fund the new build project.

“Kicking off the New Year with this key milestone realized drives further momentum to our new world-class museum build,” stated Carolyn Hyslop, executive director, The Canadian Canoe Museum. “In less than a year we’ve moved from walking away from a contaminated site to forming a new build project team and identifying and securing an alternate location. The purchase of a viable new site puts our project firmly on-track to be shovel-ready by the end of this year.”

Hyslop conveyed CCM’s gratitude for the continued support and partnership of the City of Peterborough and for the strong continued support of its donors and funders as well as that of the local community.

“Museums are part of the fabric of our country and our community. The new location for The Canadian Canoe Museum will enhance the waterfront experience in Peterborough with the location next to Little Lake and along the Trans Canada Trail network. It’s an ideal location beside parks and greenspaces with nearby public parking at East Gate Park and Beavermead Park, as well as easy access to Highway 7/115,” said Councillor Gary Baldwin, City Council’s representative on the Canadian Canoe Museum Board.

“The new build will take an Integrated Project Delivery (IPD) approach where people, systems, business structures and practices are integrated into a concurrent process, from design to fabrication and construction, in order to maximize efficiency and accelerate schedules,” said Hyslop. “This integrative and collaborative, team-based project delivery method will ensure the new museum project can begin construction before the end of this year and provide cost certainty as early as this spring with design concepts expected to be available for sharing by June.”

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IPD is a relatively new process which takes a values-based approach to construction, assembling key project partners to the table from the start to work simultaneously to design, plan and execute together.

Project partners include:

Architect: Lett Architects Inc., Peterborough, ON

General Contractor: Chandos Construction Ltd, Toronto, ON

Structural Engineering: LEA, Markham, ON

Mechanical trade partner: Kelson Mechanical, Sharon, ON

Mechanical and Electrical Engineering: DG Biddle & Associates, Oshawa, ON

Mass Timber trade partner: Nordic Structures, Montreal, QC

Electrical trade partner: Lancer Electric, Peterborough, ON

Environmental: Cambium Inc., Peterborough, ON

Civil Engineer: Engage Engineering, Peterborough, ON

Geotech/Hydrogeological: Thomas Grace & Associates, Lindsay, ON

Conservation: Michael Harrington, JHG Consulting Network Inc., Merrickville, ON

Johnson Property is situated on Little Lake, north of Beavermead Park and south of the Parks Canada-Trent Severn Waterway head offices. The new canoe museum will be built on a flat portion of the property, away from the floodplain, on the open land along Ashburnham Drive so as to preserve the existing trail, shoreline and natural waterfront.

The new museum will enable CCM to house 100 per cent of the museum's canoe collection in a building that meets Class A conservation standards, directly on the water, which allows for increased on-water and in-person programming while being a key cultural tourism driver in what will become a vibrant community hub on the Peterborough waterfront.

About The Canadian Canoe Museum (www.canoemuseum.ca)

With a world-class collection as a catalyst, The Canadian Canoe Museum inspires connection, curiosity and new understanding. In partnership with individuals, groups and communities – locally, provincially and nationally – we work to experience and explore all that our collection can inspire. This sees students opening their minds in our galleries; community members connecting through artisanry; people of all ages getting on the water and learning to paddle; and exhibitions and events that spark conversation and collaboration.

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Notes to Editors: Current land image is available for download at [Johnson Property Initial Site Plan – Jan 2021](#).

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