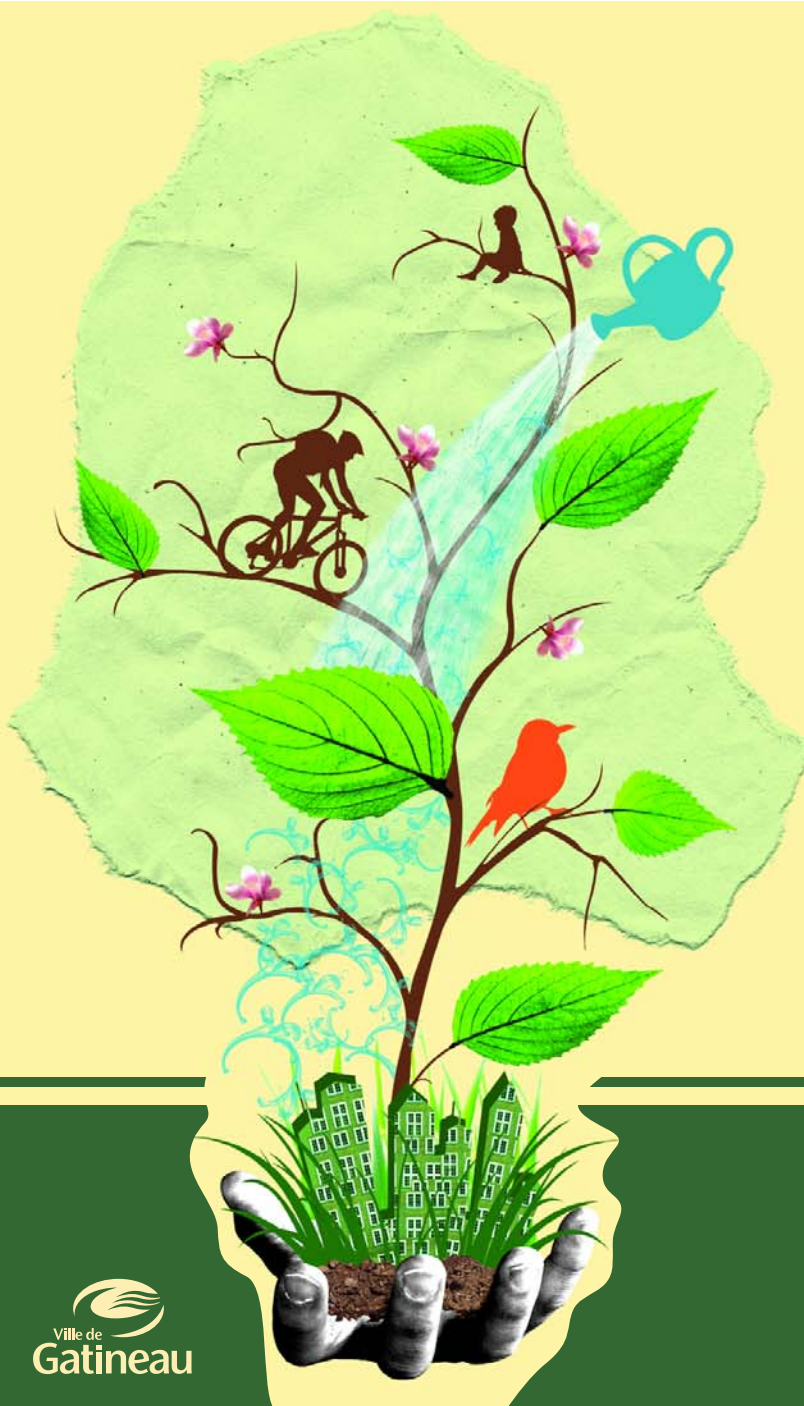


INFORMATION GUIDE

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF
THE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

OCTOBER 15 TO 18, 2007



**A GREENER
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OF YOUR HANDS!**

GATINEAU... A GREENER CITY IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND!

At a time when environmental protection and global warming are at the forefront of our day-to-day concerns, Ville de Gatineau is continuing its green shift. Preserving, maintaining and improving our environment is now one of our prime concerns!

In this regard, Ville de Gatineau wants to develop an environmental policy with a focus on sustainable development in order to pursue the collective efforts of residents, organizations, businesses and other partners in the responsible use of its resources and the protection of its natural heritage.

Which is why Ville de Gatineau has prepared this first sketch of the initiatives that it has already gotten under way, recognizing that several challenges still remain to be met.

Gatineau is seeking your support under the theme of *A Greener City in the Palm of your Hand!*, a call to make a concrete gesture for the environment by taking part in the first phase of the public consultation on the development of the environmental policy, which will be taking place between October 15 and 18, 2007. Thereafter, Gatineau will invite you take part in the second phase of the public consultation, which will include a presentation on the draft policy in the spring of 2008.

We are interested in hearing your concerns and comments. In this guide, you will find all of the information about the discussion workshops related to this consultation.

{ TAKE PART IN IT! }

Come on, do something concrete for the environment right now!

Share your concerns and comments by taking part in this important initiative in one of three ways:

By attending one of the following discussion workshops:

All discussion workshops will take place between 6:30 and 9:00 p.m.

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Sector	Date	Location	Address
Aylmer	Monday, October 15, 2007	Centre Ernest-Lattion	30, rue Court
Hull	Tuesday, October 16, 2007	Centre communautaire Tétreau	361, boulevard de Lucerne
Gatineau	Wednesday, October 17, 2007	Centre communautaire du Lac-Beauchamp, salle du pavillon 1	745, boulevard Maloney Est
Masson-Angers et Buckingham	Thursday, October 18, 2007	Complexe communautaire de Buckingham	181, rue Joseph

By leaving a voice mail on the municipal green line at 819-243-2346, extension VERT (8378) no later than November 9, 2007.

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By sending an e-mail to villeverte@gatineau.ca no later than November 9, 2007.

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Register for the discussion workshops by calling 819-243-2345, extension 7149 or through www.gatineau.ca

DISCUSSION WORKSHOP PROGRAMS

6:30 p.m.	Greet participants
6:45 p.m.	Welcome
6:55 p.m.	Presentation of the sketch of Gatineau's environmental initiatives
7:10 p.m.	Discussion workshop
8:50 p.m.	Closing words

AND AFTER THE CONSULTATIONS...

Once the workshops are over, a number of steps will have to be completed before the environmental policy can be adopted and implemented:

PHASE I

First phase of the public consultation

Between October 15 and 18, 2007

Between October 25 and November 9 (youth component)

Drafting of the consultation report
November 2007

Development of the draft policy
November to February 2008

PHASE II

Second phase of the public consultation on the draft policy
May 2008

Revision and fine-tuning of the draft policy
June to August 2008

Adoption of the policy by the Municipal Council
September 2008

Implementation of the policy
January 2009

The Commission consultative sur l'environnement et le développement durable (CCEDD)

At the Municipal Council's request, the Commission has been mandated to analyze and study this issue, and to provide its recommendations:

Chair – Patrice Martin, Wright-Parc-de-la-Montagne district

Member – Alain Riel, Deschênes district

Member – Frank Thérien, Aylmer district

Resident member – Valérie-Anne Bachand

Resident member – Louise J. Cerveny

Resident member – Marie Grégoire

Resident member – Catherine Podeszinski

Resident member – Cindy Lecavalier

Organization member – Éric Chaurette

Organization member – Nicole DesRoches

Organization member – Louis-Marie Poissant

Secretary – Ghislain Deschênes

This commission is supported by the Module d'urbanisme et du développement durable and by the Service de la planification stratégique and the Service des communications.

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Everyone is welcome!

