



Municipality of Terrasse-Vaudreuil

(General Administration)

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MINUTES of the regular meeting of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Terrasse-Vaudreuil held on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at 7:30 p.m., at the community centre, 78, 7th Avenue, Terrasse-Vaudreuil, Quebec, in accordance with the Municipal Code of Québec.

The following is excerpted:

2026-06-111

MUNICIPAL COMMITMENT TO CANOPY PROTECTION AND RECOGNITION OF THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS OF THE TREE

WHEREAS the canopy and urban forest constitute essential green infrastructure for adaptation to climate change, the reduction of heat islands, stormwater management, and the preservation of biodiversity;

WHEREAS urban forestry represents a major collective asset that contributes directly to public health, well-being, and the quality of life of the citizens of the Municipality of Terrasse-Vaudreuil;

WHEREAS the Tree is a living being whose physical integrity and vital needs, both above and below ground, must be respected and protected within the municipal ecosystem;

WHEREAS the Universal Declaration of Tree Rights enjoys broad international support and provides, in particular:

- Article I: The Tree, a sensitive living being and source of Life, is a common good of humankind.
- Article II: Life on Earth depends on the existence of the Tree.
- Article III: Human beings, endowed with reason and conscience, must act with the Tree in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity.

WHEREAS the Municipality of Terrasse-Vaudreuil wishes to affirm its environmental leadership and respond to the expectations of its population by formally adhering to this declaration;

It was **MOVED** by Isabel Boulay
and **RESOLVED** unanimously by the councillors present

THAT the Municipality of Terrasse-Vaudreuil formally adhere to the Universal Declaration of Tree Rights and recognize trees as living entities deserving protection, including the rights to life, natural growth, integrity, and regeneration;

THAT the Municipality undertake to integrate the principles of this declaration into its communications, development policies, green asset management practices, and the modernization of its planning by-laws;

THAT the Municipality undertake to promote education, awareness, and citizen participation in order to foster harmonious coexistence with nature and the protection of the canopy;

THAT the Municipality mandate its Environment Committee to establish, in collaboration with its partners, specific targets and innovative measures aimed at the progressive implementation of this commitment, in a spirit of sustainable development and intermunicipal collaboration.

ADOPTED

I hereby certify that the above text is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council, subject to approval of the minutes of said meeting.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

Lily Ducharme
Municipal Clerk