

## Media Release

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### **Stantec joins planning team for the New Windsor/Essex Acute Care Hospital**

**WINDSOR, ON.** - Windsor Regional Hospital (WRH) has selected Stantec Architecture as the Planning, Design and Conformance (PDC) consultant for the New Windsor/Essex Acute Care Hospital Project. This team of architects and engineers will support the project through the development of indicative design documents and provide support throughout the tendering and construction stages. Together with 39 User Group teams - consisting of hospital leadership, staff and professional staff, and patient and community representatives – the PDC will develop design plans and performance requirements for the new hospital and ensure they are adhered to through the construction phase.

Following Infrastructure Ontario's (IO) process for a competitive procurement and evaluation, a request for proposals (RFP) for the PDC was issued in April 2022. WRH, working closely with IO, selected Stantec Architecture based on a combination of the team's expertise, experience with similar sized hospital projects, and its price submission.

Stantec, a global design firm, brings a wealth of experience working on large hospital development projects. Some of their recent projects include the new Cortellucci Vaughn Hospital and the Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital.

The PDC team will work with the WRH User Groups and the Project Management Team to ensure WRH is well positioned to begin a successful tendering process in 2025 to select a company to complete the project. Construction is currently estimated to begin in 2027.

With the award of this contract, the PDC team will now begin work on the project, including:

- developing block schematic plans (early design plans);
- developing project documents and procurement documents needed to proceed with a request for qualifications (RFQ) for companies with sufficient experience and capacity to deliver a large scale hospital project;
- assisting in the pre-qualification evaluation process;
- preparing indicative plans and output specifications to include in the main RFP for the project;
- monitoring the construction progress and provide coordination and oversight during commissioning, completion, and transition into the new hospital; and
- consulting with WRH staff and the community throughout the process.

[Additional information](#) about the role of the PDC and next steps is available on the project website.

To learn more about the project, subscribe to the email list for updates, share your ideas and ask questions, please visit [www.windsorhospitals.ca](http://www.windsorhospitals.ca).

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**David Musyj, President & CEO, Windsor Regional Hospital**

This is a significant project milestone. We are thankful for the leadership, input, and support from all who have helped move this project forward including hospital staff, professional staff, patients, their families, the community, planning experts, the government, and elected officials at all levels. We look forward to working with Stantec to continue to advance the project and ensure we are in good shape to start construction on or before the target date.

**Paul Landry, Project Director, New Windsor/Essex Acute Care Hospital**

With the onboarding of the new PDC Team, it is full steam ahead with designing the new state-of-the-art hospital facilities. Preliminary “block schematic” design plans and images will be developed in the next few months and presented internally and externally to the community through a new series of town hall meetings later this fall. We look forward to working closely with the Stantec team of highly qualified architects and engineers on this exciting and critically important new hospital project for the Windsor Essex Region.