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PRESENTATION - ROYAL VICTORIA HOSPITAL (RVH) EXPANSION PROJECT UPDATE

Janice Skot, Chief Executive Officer and Brian Edmonds, Chief Operating Officer of the Royal Victoria Hospital (RVH) provided a progress update to City Council concerning the RVH expansion project. Ms. Skot commented that the \$450 million dollar expansion project will double the size of the hospital adding 440,000 square feet of new space which includes 100,000 square feet of renovations to the existing building. She reviewed the details of Phase 1 of the project commenting that she believes there has been a beneficial economic impact in the Region resulting in more than 700 jobs being created by the hospital over the next three years. Ms. Skot highlighted some of the new equipment that has been purchased for the hospital noting that the cancer centre will feature three radiation units and that RVH will have one of only two fully automated laboratories in Canada. Ms. Skot explained that the project will triple the Emergency Department in size, the Cancer Care Centre will log over 65,000 patient visits in its first year and highlighted the benefits of Rotary Place. She reviewed the timeline of the project and the expected transition period for phase 1 of the project, stating that that the intent is to have it open in the spring of 2012.

Mr. Edmonds reviewed the whole share of the overall and local funding for the project and stated that the "I Believe" campaign has almost reached its \$35 million goal. On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff and volunteers of RVH, Ms. Skot thanked City Council for their continued support of the project.