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SURREY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL EXPANSION MOVES AHEAD

SURREY – A preferred proponent has been selected to begin negotiations with the provincial government and Fraser Health as part of the next step toward the expansion and redevelopment of Surrey Memorial Hospital (SMH).

The naming of Integrated Team Solutions as preferred proponent follows an extensive evaluation of the three teams that were shortlisted and invited to submit proposals to design, build, finance and provide facilities management services for the new emergency department and critical care tower.

“This is an important milestone in the Surrey Memorial Hospital expansion and redevelopment project,” said Health Services Minister Kevin Falcon. “This project will represent the single-largest, health-capital investment in B.C. history, dramatically improving patient care in Surrey.”

The next stage in the competitive selection process is to conclude negotiations with Integrated Team Solutions—a process that is expected to culminate in a performance-based agreement by late winter. Details about the agreement and fixed project cost will be made public after the agreement has been finalized.

The SMH expansion includes a new critical care tower, complete with an expanded emergency department, a new perinatal centre of excellence in care for high-risk newborns, larger adult intensive care unit, and, with the University of British Columbia, an expanded clinical academic campus for Surrey. Once complete, 151 new patient beds will be added to reduce congestion and improve patient service.

“As part of our commitment to environmental sustainability and green buildings, the new emergency department and critical care tower will be designed and built to achieve LEED Gold certification, helping to create a healthy and healing environment for patients and health-care professionals,” said Surrey-Tynehead MLA Dave S. Hayer.

“Residents of Surrey are now an important step closer to a state-of-the-art emergency department and critical care tower that will help ease congestion and improve patient access to health care now and in the future,” said Surrey-Panorama MLA Stephanie Cadieux.

A fairness adviser, Joan M. Young of Lang Michener LLP, was appointed to oversee and monitor the entire evaluation process to ensure that it was fair and followed the requirements outlined in the request for proposals. The report of the fairness adviser concluded that the process for selecting the preferred proponent was open, fair and equitable. The fairness adviser's report is publicly available on Partnerships BC's website at: www.partnershipsbc.ca

“With the selection of Integrated Team Solutions as preferred proponent, we are excited to be moving forward with negotiations for building the emergency department and critical care tower,” said Dr. Nigel Murray, president and CEO of Fraser Health. “The redevelopment and expansion of SMH brings us closer to our goal of developing the site into a world-class health campus that serves the entire Fraser Health region.”

The Province is making record investments in health-care facilities in Surrey, including the expansion and redevelopment of Surrey Memorial Hospital and the new, \$239-million Surrey Outpatient Care and Surgery Centre.

Over the next three years, patients and health-care professionals across the province will benefit from investments in new medical equipment and modernized health facilities as part of a \$2.3-billion, health-care capital plan.

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A backgrounder follows.

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BACKGROUND

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PREFERRED PROPONENT

The new emergency department and critical care tower are being delivered as a public-private partnership.

Following the completion of the request for proposals stage, Integrated Team Solutions has been named as the preferred proponent to design, build, finance and provide facilities management services for the emergency department and critical care tower at Surrey Memorial Hospital. The next stage in the competitive selection process is to begin negotiations with Integrated Team Solutions to reach a final performance-based project agreement.

Members of Integrated Team Solutions include:

- EllisDon Inc.
- Fengate Capital Management Ltd.
- CEI Architecture Planning Interiors
- Parkin Architects Ltd.
- Honeywell Limited (Canada)

Evaluation Process

An evaluation committee comprised of representatives of Fraser Health and Partnerships BC evaluated the request for proposals. The evaluation committee appointed four evaluation review teams, whose membership included more than 100 clinicians and front-line staff and consultants with specific expertise in health-care planning and operations, design and construction and facilities operations.

These evaluation review teams assisted in the evaluation of the proposals in the following categories:

- Clinical design
- Financial and commercial
- Services
- Technical design

The overall objective of the evaluation was to select the best proposal that is affordable and meets the project objectives, such as designing and building a facility that is efficient, adaptable, flexible and expandable, sustainable and creates a healing environment for patients.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

When Surrey Memorial first opened its doors in 1959, it was a 103-bed facility supporting a population of 75,000. Today, Surrey Memorial is an important regional hospital serving the needs of over 600,000 people from Surrey to Delta and from Langley to White Rock.

Complementing the expansion of SMH is the development of the new Surrey Outpatient Care and Surgery Centre located just one kilometre from the main campus site. This new facility is the first of its kind in British Columbia to combine day surgery and diagnostic procedures with specialized health clinics and programs, all within one building. Once open in 2011, this facility will help to significantly reduce congestion and pressure at SMH.

The expansion and redevelopment of the SMH site will occur in several phases. Currently the project is in Phase 1, which includes the addition of a new critical care tower and emergency department.

Specifically, Phase 1 includes:

- **Parking:** Approximately 350 parking stalls in the below-grade levels of the tower and approximately 90 surface stalls.
- **Laboratory:** A new laboratory, which is expected to be the single laboratory servicing the entire SMH campus.
- **Emergency department:** A new emergency department, which is expected to be capable of accommodating more than 101,000 visits a year by 2020 and to provide dedicated accommodation to address the needs of children and the needs of patients with mental health issues.
- **Neonatal intensive care unit:** A neonatal intensive care unit, providing a total of 48 bassinets, together with a dedicated pediatric pharmacy.
- **Intensive care:** An adult intensive care unit, accommodating a total of 25 beds.
- **Inpatient units:** Three medical/surgical units (including high dependency beds), with each unit accommodating up to 36 beds.
- **UBC Clinical Academic Campus:** A UBC clinical academic campus providing classrooms, a library and other educational supports and student amenity space.
- **Helipad:** Accommodation for a helipad on the roof level.

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