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Cambridge City Hall Recognized for Design Excellence

Cambridge, Ontario. Monday, July 13...Cambridge City Hall and its top rated Architectural firm Diamond and Schmitt are the recent recipients of a North American design excellence award from Environmental Design + Construction (ED+C) magazine based in Troy Michigan.

The 'Excellence in Design (EID) Awards' competition has a long reputation of recognizing commercial, government, institutional, residential and educational projects that show a commitment to green building and sustainable design.

"This is an award we share with our entire community," says Mayor Doug Craig. "We've adopted an eco-friendly approach to many of the projects we tackle and City Hall is a living example of the significant benefits of sustainable and energy efficient development."

The city hall project was submitted by Diamond and Schmitt Architects in the government category.

"Cambridge City Hall was a clear winner in the Government category of Environmental Design + Construction (ED+C) magazine's annual Excellence in Design awards," says awards judge, Michelle Hucal, LEED AP, senior editor of ED+C. "Featuring advanced technology, sustainable design strategies and unique green products and systems, this building demonstrates that green buildings can be beautiful and affordable. ED+C hopes that Cambridge City Hall becomes an inspirational model for other city and government facilities."

She notes that most of the projects that have won an EID award in the nine-year history have been based in the United States. "Canada has truly stepped up with this entry this year!"

Others finalists or honourable mentions in this category include: Siegel & Strain Architects, Portola Valley Town Center; Hensel Phelps Construction Co., 1st Brigade Combat Team (BCT) Brigade and Battalion Headquarters Facility; KAI Design & Build, Southeast Community Center; and Siegel & Strain Architects, Orinda City Hall.

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The City of Cambridge is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. It is strategically located astride highway 401 in Southwestern Ontario, part of Canada's Technology Triangle. In 2009, the population reached over 126,000 people. With a multicultural mix and a strong foundation of support services, Cambridge has a diverse economic base with leading industries in manufacturing, automotive, high technology, pharmaceutical, business and financial services and hospitality/retail. The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is an employer with a work environment that offers the opportunity to provide service to the community through creativity and innovation, and with opportunities for career growth and advancement. Based on the 2007 BMA Management Consulting Inc Municipal Study, the City of Cambridge is one of only four municipalities in the province that is debt free.

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